

Maintenir des indicateurs pertinents de comptabilité nationale pendant la crise : l'expérience européenne – John VERRINDER (Eurostat)

Résumé :

The COVID pandemic created numerous, common challenges across Europe in the preparation and interpretation of national accounts data. Widely used primary statistical data sources for national accounts were impacted with regard to their coverage and timeliness. Substantial changes in processes of production and consumption (notably movement to remote delivery of goods and – private and public - services) raised both conceptual and practical questions. Huge and novel government support schemes were launched, including those that supported furloughed workers, that had to be recorded appropriately in the accounts. The European Statistical System reacted quickly, safeguarding data publication within normal timetables, developing common guidance to promote comparability, and sharing experience and best practices in production and dissemination of data. This presentation will describe those experiences from the perspective of Eurostat, also bringing examples from EU Member States.