



To the National and Regional Statistical Societies,

Dear Colleagues,

On Wednesday 20th October 2010 (20-10-2010) World Statistics Day (WSD) will be celebrated.

The United National Statistical Commission (UNSC) decided during its 41st Session in February 2010 with great enthusiasm to celebrate WSD under the theme 'Celebrating the Many Achievements of Statistics, Service, Professionalism and Integrity'. The UN Statistics Division (UNSD) will call on governments to celebrate this day in co-operation with the national statistical services. More information about the UNSD activities can be found on <http://unstats.un.org/unsd/wsd/Default.aspx>

On behalf of the ISI I would like to call upon all national and regional statistical societies to celebrate World Statistics Day and to develop plans for communicating this to the wider public. I have already received some announcements about congresses to be organised in conjunction with WSD. In June the ISI will launch a webpage for communication purposes and you are all invited to present your plans and announcements at isi@cbs.nl for publication on that web page.

I hope to receive many initiatives,

With my best regards,

Jef Teugels

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Jef Teugels'.