## Agreement on Cooperation

With a view to the need for cooperation, and also considering that the objectives and goals of statistical societies are to serve statistics, the representatives of signatory Statistical Societies agree to

- facilitate scientific progress and theoretical / practical development of statistics in the region;
- provide a regional forum for the discussion of theoretical and practical issues of statistics, and take up a position in professional matters, if required;
- · maintain contact with the Statistical Societies of the region;
- assist young statisticians in their professional career by facilitating access to professional meetings and conferences;
- offer support to the nascent Statistical Societies of the region;
- · promote the application of the Professional Ethics in the region,
- promote cooperation and relations with the ISI particularly to facilitate the enlargement of representatives of ISI members from the region;
- promote, within their respective Societies, the fundamental principles of official statistics, Professional Ethics and good practices in statistics, and
- · support the objectives of best relations between academic and official statistics

For achieving the above objectives the signatory Societies shall, among others,

- · meet at least once a year, and
- provide mutual information on their activities, including the publication of a newsletter for the exchange of views and experience in their domains of statistics.

The signatory Societies invite other Statistical Societies to join this Agreement.

Signed on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of September, 2005, in Budapest

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