

No alternative exists to the option according to which Romanian statistics will be urged to frame itself within the continuous improvement process, in view to take advantage of the effect of synergy given by the factors steadily acting towards statistics modernisation by strengthening the know-how transfers and congruent statistical approaches with the Member States.

The implementation of statistical programmes, mainly Phare programmes, began in 1992. A large number of contacts and actions were concluded with Eurostat, with the Member States statistical offices and with the other actors involved in the Romanian statistical system.

As consequence of technical, methodological and operational support infusion, Romanian statistics recorded significant progresses and reached, in several fields, the quality and comparability of required data, compatible with those of the other EU Member States and compliant with international norms and standards.

OBJECTIVES During 2007-2013, according to the statistical programme adopted at European Union level, Romanian statistics, together with the other states' statistics, will be integrated into global and specific objectives, particularly envisaging:

- The transposition into current activity of the new *acquis communautaire*, taking into account that it represents a “moving target”;
- The diversification and the scale of statistical data production, providing for a snapshot on new phenomena, such as globalisation, information society and sustainable development;
- The analysis of European documents, especially of those promoted by the Statistical Programme Committee (SPC) and the “Statistics” working group of the Council;
- The preparation of multi-annual activity programmes, in view to complete the annual approach and to ensure the correlation with the available resources;
- To ensure the know-how transfer in several statistical fields and staff training;
- The focusing on statistical quality improvement by transposing the standards adopted by Eurostat and the Member States (implementation of all Total Quality Management components);
- The harmonisation of horizontal fields (IT, human resources management, dissemination strategy, etc.).

For the implementation of the new statistical *acquis*, preparations start much earlier than the supply of certain statistical data, stipulated by a certain legal act. In most cases, these require a number of years. Such an approach is a consequence of statistics specific: the substantiation of implementation through