

DELIBERATION NO 13 OF THE STANDING SECTION OF STATISTICAL COORDINATION

PORTUGUESE CLASSIFICATION OF INDIVIDUAL CONSUMPTION ACCORDING TO PURPOSE

Pursuant to Article 13 of Law No 22/2008 of 13 May, the *Conselho Superior de Estatística* (Statistical Council) (hereinafter referred to as the Council) is entrusted with the power:

"To approve technical statistical coordination instruments of mandatory use in the production of official statistics, and promote the respective understanding, publication and use ...";

The Council has recognised in the General Guidelines of National Statistical Activity 2008-2012 the importance of *"aligning the statistical metadata system with best international practices"*.

Whereas the Portuguese Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose (Portuguese acronym: CCIO) establishes, in accordance with COICOP (International Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose) and IDEF 2010 (list of goods and services used in European household budget surveys), consumption goods and services in sufficient detail and adjusted to the coordinated development of the National Statistical System (NSS) within the scope of the statistical activities it supports (household budget survey, consumer prices, national accounts, etc.).

Whereas the CCIO, as a structured classification integrated into an international reference context, fills a gap in terms of a goods and services framework, from the viewpoint of household consumption for statistical and non-statistical purposes.

Whereas the growing demands posed to the production and dissemination of statistics in the domains based on this classification are increasingly sensitive, particularly in terms of defining and monitoring social policies.

Whereas the importance of the CCIO for statistical comparability and reinforcement of the NSS technical coordination.

Whereas Recommendation No 2 of the Working Group of Economic and Social Classifications aiming at the approval of such Classification by the *Secção Permanente de Coordenação Estatística* (Standing Section of Statistical Coordination).

The Standing Section of Statistical Coordination, at its meeting on 16 March 2010, pursuant to its powers (Deliberation No 2 | 2008 of the Statistical Council, paragraph 2 (i) and (h) of Annex B), **decided:**

- **to approve** the CCIO Structure to be adopted by the NSS as a central reference classification for statistics on individual consumption, with further details reflecting, where warranted, exact sub-divisions of its levels (in particular the "category" level);
- **to approve** the explanatory notes corresponding to the CCIO Structure;
- **to approve** the tables of correspondence between CCIO and IDEF (2010);
- **to recommend** implementation of CCIO by general government entities in administrative acts and procedures whenever these are liable to be utilised for statistical purposes.

The Portuguese Classification of Individual Consumption According to Purpose, the explanatory notes and the tables of correspondence between CCIO and IDEF (2010) will be made available on the official statistics website, at www.ine.pt

Lisbon, 16 March 2010

Chairman of the Section, João Cadete de Matos

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