Information provided by Lithuania about the following topic discussed in the Capacity-building Programme on Tourism Statistics, I Workshop - Vienna, 1-4 April 2008

INBOUND TOURISM AND BALANCE OF PAYMENTS (BOP): BOP developments ("travel" and "passenger transportation" items)

1) Present situation of administrative records and expenditure surveys used for estimating the "travel" and "passenger transportation" items.

Sources used for estimation of inbound tourism receipts (travel credit):

- 1) State Border Guard Service's monthly reports;
- 2) Database of Inbound tourism surveys
- 3) Inbound Tour operators' quarterly reports that are provided to Statistics Lithuania
- 4) Accommodation establishments quarterly reports that are provided to Statistics Lithuania

Sources used for estimation of passenger transportation receipts: Lithuanian carriers' reports that are provided to Statistics Lithuania

2) Does your present information system allow for distinguishing visitors from travellers?

Yes, it allows

3) Initiatives that you might be considering for improving the estimation of these BoP items.

Our institution , id est Lithuanian state department of tourism, doesn't plan any initiatives for improving the estimation of these BoP

4) Is there any discussion about the credibility of the "travel" item data?

Existing "travel" item data doesn't raise any discussion about its credibility