

CLOSING SESSION

Chair: Jörgen Dalén (Sweden)

It was decided that the name of the group should be the Ottawa Group and its area of interest restricted to Consumer Price Indices.

Balk invited the group to The Netherlands for its next conference, which was decided to be held in April 1997.

The following subjects were suggested for the next conference:

- 1) Inflation measurement (including alternative CPIs etc.)
- 2) CPI conceptual problems
 - Durables
 - Financial services
 - New goods/outlets
 - Quality change
- 3) CPI survey methodology, i.a. EDP, scannerdata collection
- 4) New developments

However, the composition of the final agenda was left to Bert Balk and Statistics Netherlands to decide.