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Working session at INE of the General Director of Eurostat

The INE will lead a Project for the improvement of statistical communication in Europe

The General Director of Eurostat, the German Mr. Walter Radermacher, has attended today a working session at the National Statistical Institute of Spain in which has had an interview with the President of the INE, Mr. Jaume García, as well as with other executives of the institution. In these meetings, different joint projects that will be developed by both organisms in the near future, have been discussed.

In the framework of his visit to the INE's headquarters in Madrid, Mr. Radermacher has emphasized the INE's leadership in the communication project "*Sponsorship on Communication*" of the European Statistical Office. He considers that this decision **"shows that the INE wishes to play a much stronger role in one of the most important areas of expertise"** for the European statistical institutions. **"We want to produce reliable statistics, but we also want these statistics to be well known and trusted by the users"**, he added.

The General Director of Eurostat has assessed positively the INE's new organization chart. **"I would like to congratulate INE on this very modern approach and I am convinced that the system will work well in the future"**. For Mr. Radermacher **"the structure of INE bears similarities to our own organization pattern at Eurostat. Both in Spain and in Luxembourg, we are on our way towards creating Statistical Offices more efficient"**.

The priorities set by the General Director of Eurostat for the European Statistical System are to improve the production in a more fruitful and efficient way, carry on with 'classical' statistical work (such as the System of National Accounts and its revisions or the population census) and to be ready to promptly face the growing information needs and new issues under study (i.e. migration and climate change statistics). All of the above, according to Mr. Radermacher, will have to be communicated to our users in ways that will fulfill their expectations **"through easily understandable and interactive data access available to them 24 hours a day, seven days a week"**.