Wednesday, December 15

7:30 a.m.   **Check-in and Coffee**   (Versailles Foyer)

8:45 a.m.   **Welcome and Introduction:**   (Versailles I and II)
          Katherine Wallman, OMB

9:00 to 9:45 a.m.   **Keynote Speech:**
               Richard Kulka, RTI International
                 Quantity and Quality: From Good to Great?

9:45 a.m.   **Break**   (Versailles Foyer)

10:00 - 12 noon   (Sessions 1 and 2 run concurrently)

1. Standards for Statistical Surveys   (Versailles I)

Organizer: Alan Tupek, USCB   Chair: Louis Kincannon, USCB
Speakers: Brian Harris-Kojetin, OMB
          OMB Guidance for Surveys
          Alan Tupek, USCB
          Proposed Standards for Statistical Surveys
Discussants: Norm Bradburn, NORC/ University of Chicago; Frank Nolan, Office for
          National Statistics (UK)

2. Web Surveys: A Research Agenda for Changing Environments (Versailles II)

Organizers: Gerald Gates, USCB, **Nancy Kirkendall**, EIA, **Dennis Fixler**, BEA, **Wendy Alvey**, USCB   **Chair: Lynda Carlson**, NSF

Panel: Sam Best, University of Connecticut; **Reginald Baker**, Market Strategies, **William Mockovak**, BLS; **Elizabeth Martin**, USCB

12:00 noon   Lunch on Your Own

1:00 to 3:00 p.m.   (Sessions 3 and 4 run concurrently)

3. Advisory Panels: Seeking Feedback to Improve Quality of Statistical Programs (Versailles I)

Organizer: Wendy Alvey, USCB; **Thomas Petska**, SOI

Chair: Marshall DeBerry, BJS

Panel: Marshall DeBerry, Moderator; **Thomas Petska**, SOI; **Marilyn Manser**, BLS; **Peggy Carr**, NCES; **Aldona Robbins**, Fiscal Associates, Inc; **Janet Lauritsen**, University of Missouri-St. Louis

4. Tools, Policy, and Procedures for Survey Improvement

Organizer: Kristen Miller, NCHS   **Chair: Kathleen Utgoff**, BLS   (Versailles II)

Speakers: Gordon Willis, NCI

Cognitive Interviewing: A Tool for Improving Questionnaire Design

Theresa DeMaio, USCB

Census Bureau Standard: Pre-testing Questionnaires and Related Materials for Surveys and Censuses

Kristen Miller, NCHS

Q-Bank: Development of a Tested-Question Database

Discussant: Jennifer Madans, NCHS

3:00-3:30 p.m.   Break   (Versailles Foyer)

3:30 to 5:30 p.m.   (Sessions 5 and 6 run concurrently)

5. Telephone Surveys in a Changing Environment (Versailles I)

Organizer: Clyde Tucker, BLS   **Chair: Rick Kowalewski**, BTS

Panel: Phil Smith, CDC; **Joseph Riley**, HUD; **Robie Sangster**, BLS; **J. Michael Brick**, Westat; **Linda Piekarski**, Survey Sampling International

6. Researcher Access to Confidential Micro Data From Home Institutions (Versailles II)

Organizer: Steven H. Cohen, BLS   **Chair: Edward Sondik,** NCHS
Speakers: Vijay Gambhir, NCHS
    NCHS Experiences with Remote Access and Data Centers
    Mary Maher and **Mitchell Morehart,** ERS
      Opened ARMS: Barriers and Opportunities for Remote Provision of Farm Business and Farm Household Data
    Alan Karr, NISS
      Regression Servers: What Do We Know? What Do We Not Know?
Discussant: Jennifer Madans, NCHS

Thursday, December 16

8:30 to 10:30 a.m.   (Sessions 7 and 8 run concurrently)

7. Agency Initiatives to Monitor Survey Quality (Versailles I)

Organizers: Nancy Kirkendall, EIA   **Chair: Guy Caruso,** EIA
Speakers: Ruth Ann Killion, USCB
    Overview of Quality Profiles
    Carol Caldwell, USCB
      The Annual Capital Expenditure Survey: A Case Study
    Nancy Kirkendall, EIA
      Overview of Self-Assessments
    Tom Broeme, EIA
      Initiating a Self-Assessment Process: A Case Study
Discussant: Barbara Bailer, Statistical Consultant; **Lars Lyberg,** Statistics Sweden

8. The Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002: Where Are We and Where Are We Going? (Versailles II)

Organizers: Brian Harris-Kojetin, OMB; Marilyn Seastrom, NCES;
Chair: J. Steven Landefeld, BEA
Panel: Katherine Wallman, OMB; **Jay Casselberry,** EIA; **Doug Wright,** SAMHSA; **William Parks,** BLS

10:30-11:00 a.m. Break (Versailles Foyer)

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.   (Sessions 9 and 10 run concurrently)

9. Recent Advances in Quality Assurance   (Versailles I)

Organizer: **Ronald Fecso**, NSF ; Chair: **Ronald Bosecker**, NASS

Speakers: **Jeff Moran** and **Paul Biemer**, RTI
   Quality Management for Survey Research
   Lars Lyberg, Statistics Sweden
      Quality Assurance at Statistics Sweden
   David Marker, Westat
      Using Real-Time Process Measures to Improve Data Collection

Discussant: **John Kovar**, Statistics Canada

10. Integrated Survey Designs: Analytical Enhancements Achieved Through Linkage of Surveys, Administrative and Secondary Data   (Versailles II)

Organizer: **Steven B. Cohen**, AHRQ; Chair: **Tom Petska**, SOI

Speakers: **Steven B. Cohen**, AHRQ
      Integrated Health Care Survey Designs: Analytical Enhancements Achieved
      Through Linkage of Surveys, Administrative and Secondary Data
   Dean Judson and **Mark Bauder**, USCB
      Linking the National Health Interview Survey and the Current Population
      Survey with the Census

Discussants: **James Lepkowski**, University of Michigan;
         William Kalsbeek, University of North Carolina

1:00-2:15 p.m   **Luncheon Hosted by COPAFS**   (Washington Room)

Speaker: **Katherine Wallman**, OMB

2:30 to 4:30 p.m.   (Sessions 11 and 12 run concurrently)

11. Incentives in Government Surveys: Practices and Perspectives   (Versailles I)

Organizers: **Marilyn Seastrom**, NCES; Chair: **Robert Lerner**, NCES

Panel: **Marilyn Seastrom**, NCES; **Jennifer Madans**, NCHS; **David Cantor**, Westat;
      Eleanor Singer, University of Michigan

12. Data Mining: Policy Implications and Applications

Organizer: Barry Graubard, NCI; Chair: Susan Offutt, ERS (Versailles II)

Speakers: Joseph Tonning and Ana Szarfman, FDA
Drug Safety Data Mining at the FDA

Edward Wegman, George Mason Univ., and Karen Kafadar, Univ. Of
Colorado, Denver

Discussants: Mike Dolak, GAO; Herb Lin, National Academies

Legend

AHRQ - Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality/Department of Health and Human Services

BEA - Bureau of Economic Analysis/Department of Commerce

BJS - Bureau of Justice Statistics/Department of Justice

BLS - Bureau of Labor Statistics/Department of Labor

BTS - Bureau of Transportation Statistics/Department of Transportation

CDC - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention/Department of Health and Human Services

DOC - Department of Commerce

DOJ - Department of Justice

EIA - Energy Information Administration/Department of Energy

ERS - Economic Research Service/Department of Agriculture

FCSM - Federal Committee on Statistical Methodology

FDA - Federal Drug Administration/ U.S. Food and Drug Administration

GAO - Government Accountability Office

HUD - Housing and Urban Development

NAS - National Academy of Sciences

NASS - National Agricultural Statistics Service/Department of Agriculture

NCES - National Center for Education Statistics/Department of Education

NCHS - National Center for Health Statistics/Department of Health and Human Services

NCI - National Cancer Institute

NISS - National Institute of Statistical Sciences

NSF - National Science Foundation

OMB - Office of Management and Budget

RTI - Research Triangle Institute

SAMHSA - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

SOI - Statistics of Income/Internal Revenue Service

USCB - U.S. Census Bureau/Department of Commerce