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## Quality of the EuroGroups Register – facts and plans

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# Overview

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# 1. Background



## **What is the EGR**

The EuroGroups Register (EGR) is the statistical business register of multinational enterprise groups in Europe.

## **Purpose of the EGR**

The EGR is a tool for coordinating population frames across countries in the European Statistical System.

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## Content of the EGR

It contains structural economic information on multinational enterprise groups, their constituent legal units and corresponding enterprises, having at least one legal unit located in the European Union or in a country of the European Free Trade Association (EFTA).

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## Compilation of the EGR

The EGR is created by the cooperation between Eurostat and the national statistical offices of European Member States and EFTA countries, by pooling together micro data on legal units, relationships, enterprises and enterprise groups from national statistical business registers (NSBR).

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## Dependence of statistical business registers (SBR) in Europe





### From NSBR to EGR ...

#### 35 mandatory characteristics

- 83% of all mandatory characteristics are provided on average

**Reflect basic user needs**

#### 20 optional characteristics

- 47% of all optional characteristics are provided on average

**Reflect further user needs**



### There is a need for:

- reducing inconsistencies
- enabling globalized approach to business statistics
- reducing inefficiencies in the production of the statistical frames

Solution

**Quality improvement**

Tool

**Data quality program**





## Main objectives of the data quality program (DQP)

- 1) Better alignment of NSBR processes, methodology and output → better NSBR quality
- 2) Improvement of the EGR through – inter alia – better NSBR input



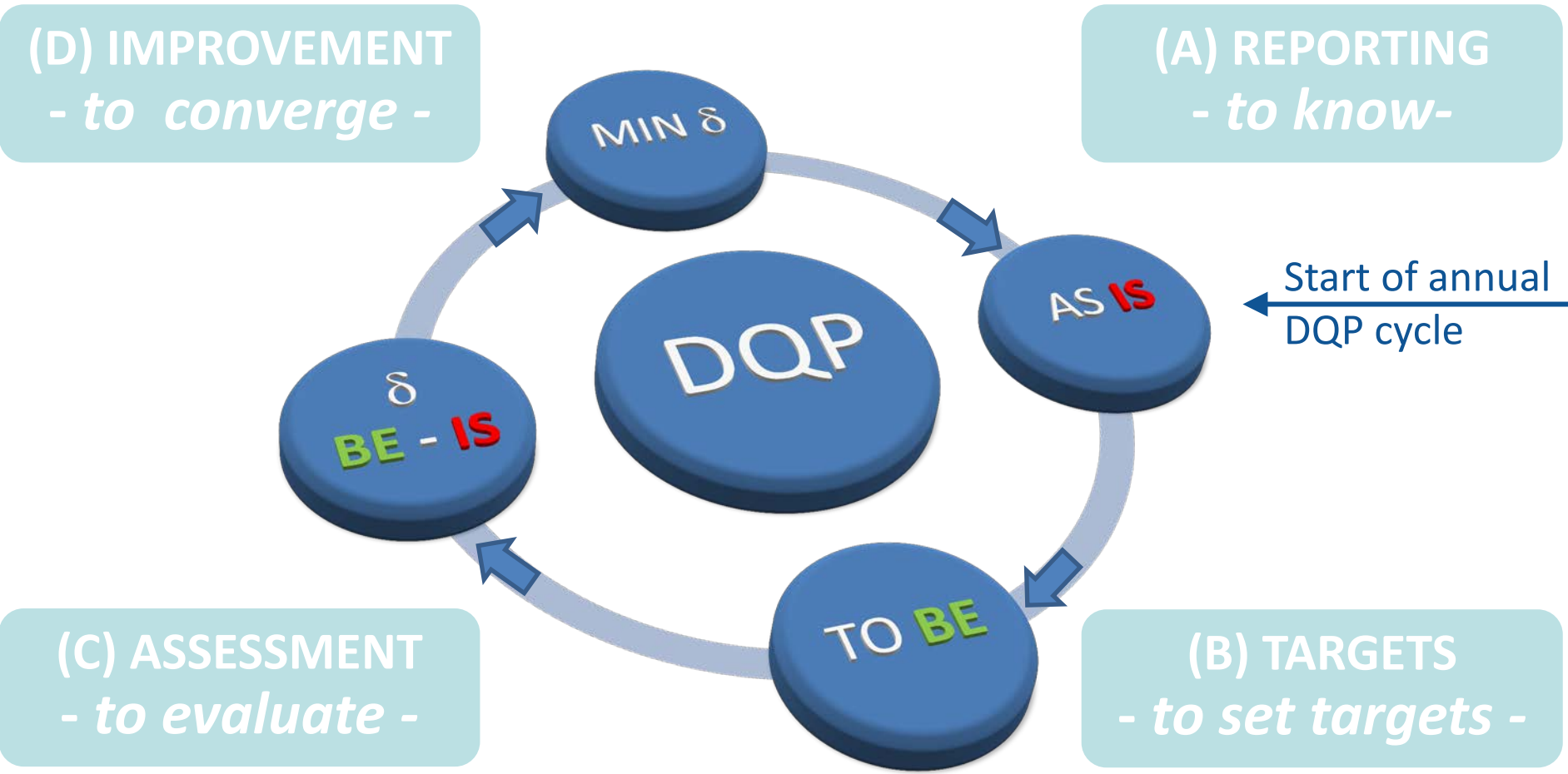
## Following the ESS mission ensuring high quality ...

- By defining SBR quality *criteria*
- By *monitoring* the quality of SBR data
- By *assessing* the quality of SBR data
- By *improving* the quality of SBR

## DQP as 'tool' to achieve objectives

- Annual routines and standardized templates
- Gradually implemented in 2016
- Substantial improvement from 2017 on

# 3. Quality improvement



# 4. Conclusion



- The monitoring and assessment of the EGR quality are currently at an initial stage.
- The overall objective for the SBR quality project is to implement an overall data quality program for the NSBRs and the EGR until end of 2016 and to initialize a substantial improvement of SBR quality from 2017 on.

