

Milestones of the Conference



1928

The first Conference on Statistics in Geneva under the League of Nations – 40 countries participated

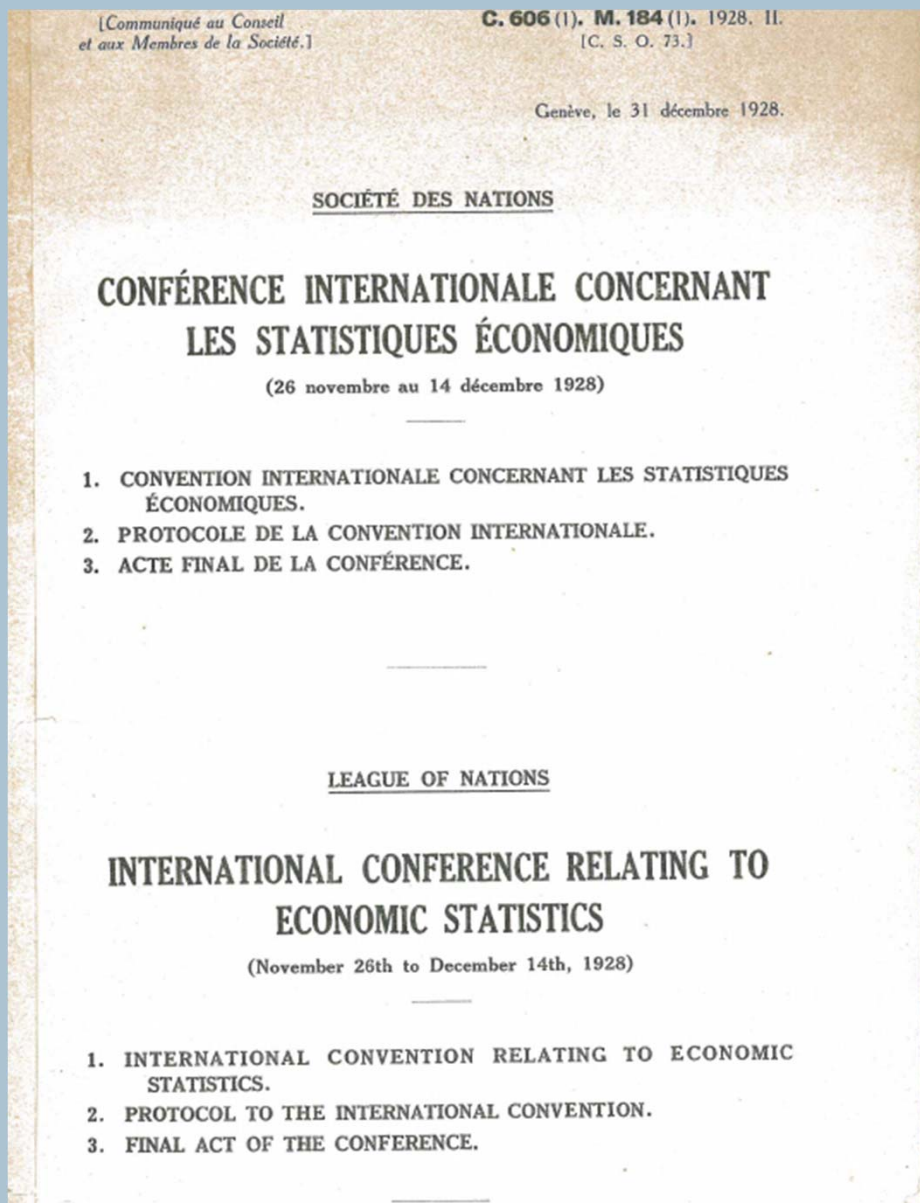
1931

The Committee of Statistical Experts – the former CES Bureau met in 1931-1939, including *Canada, US, UK, Italy, France, Norway, Switzerland, Poland and Germany*



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The League of Nations published for 26 countries **the first more or less harmonized national income estimates**

1939

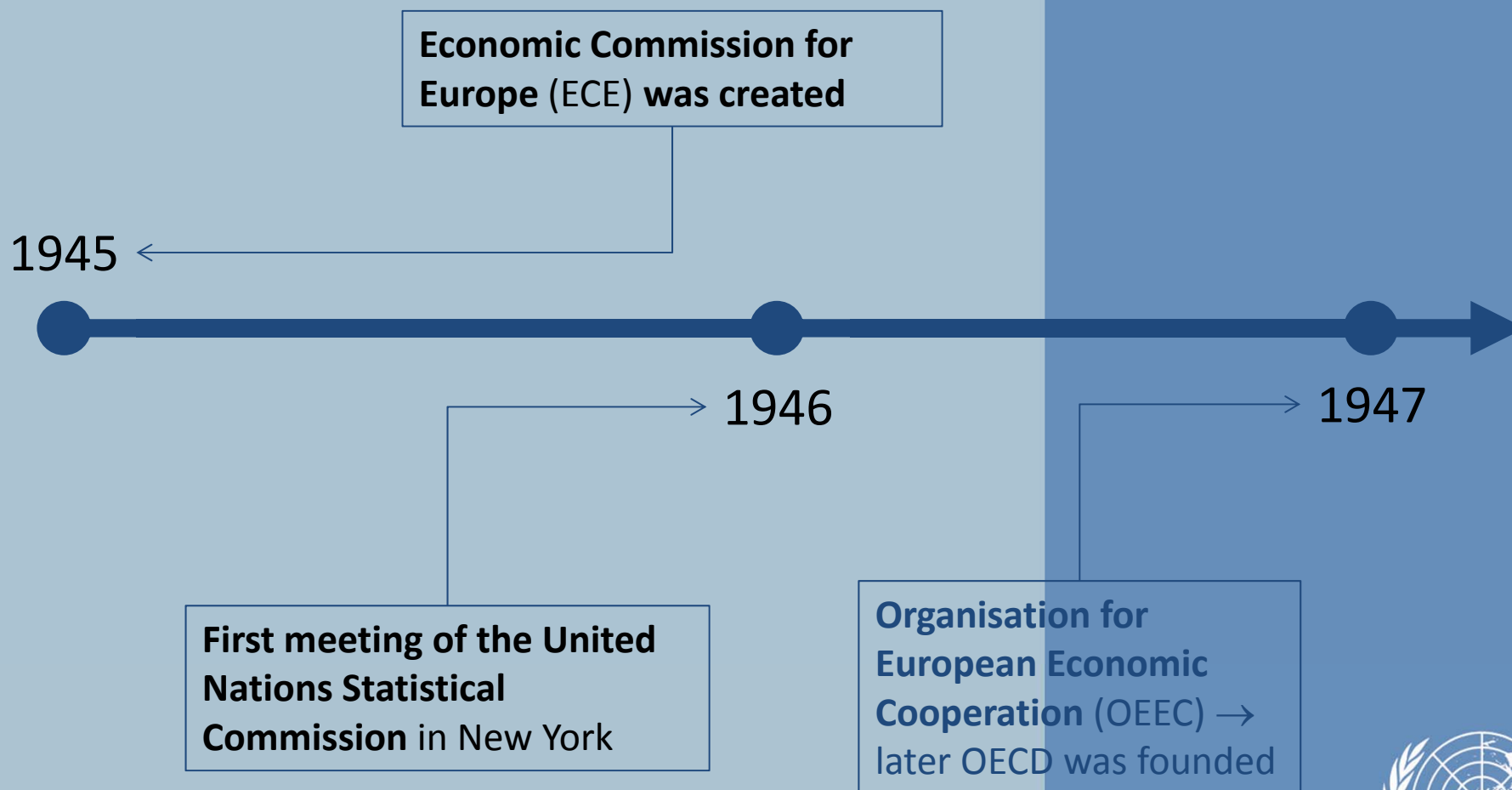
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First sub-committees were established – *on traded commodities, classification of commodities and on statistics on prices, industry, timber, tourism, finance and housing*



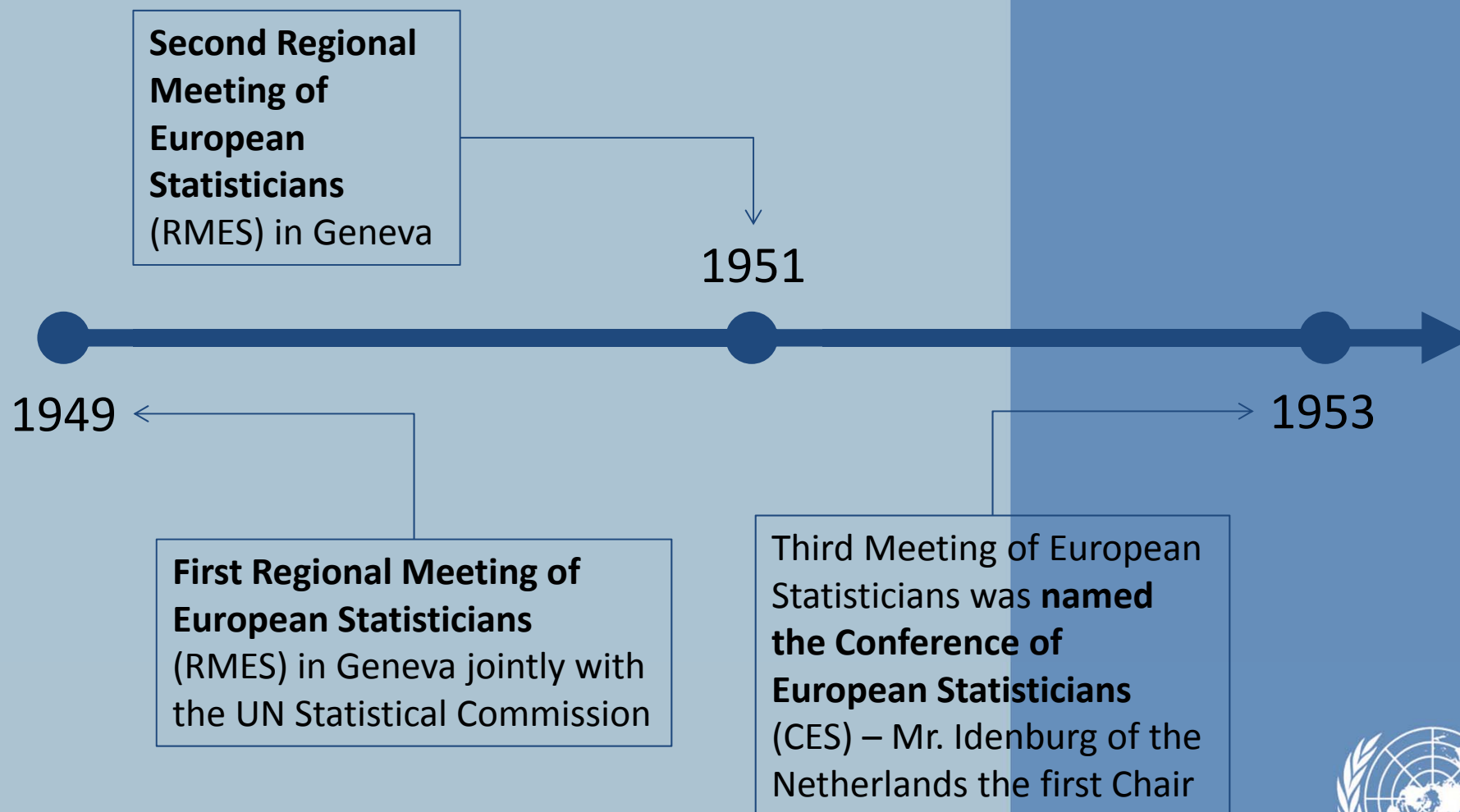
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The Conference in early 1950s

Mr. Barrie Davies, Director of the ECE Statistical Division
and the Chairman of the meeting from the Netherlands



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Idenburg, 21 May 1949, in the Netherlands explained -

‘As to the Dutch contributions to all these bodies... the efforts required are considerable... However, we cannot stand aside, because it cannot be ignored that **a new world-order is being built.**’



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The birth of the **Statistical Office of the European Communities (SOEC)** – a great impact *with the first Labour Force Survey (1960), energy balance sheets (1962) and input-output tables (1965), European (SEC) System of National Accounts (1970) and the commodity classification (1972) etc.*

→ 1959

1957 ←

The US Census Bureau presented data processing with '**electronic machines**' – *some called for a cautious attitude towards 'such large-scale centralized computers'*

The first **Census recommendations** adopted by the CES

The Conference provided a **non-political bridge across the divide of the Iron Curtain**

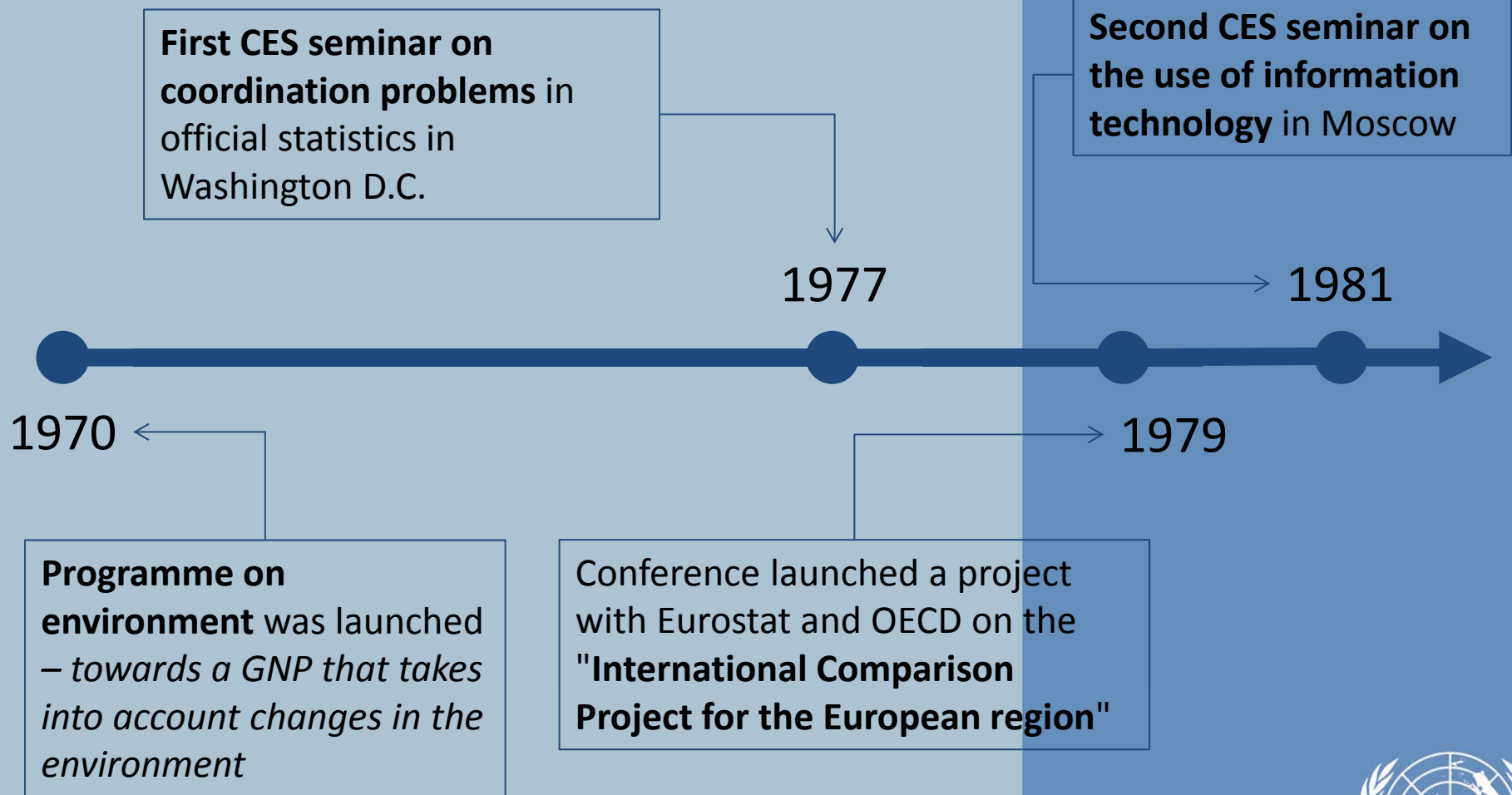
→ 1961

A permanent CES programme on **Electronic Data Processing** was initiated



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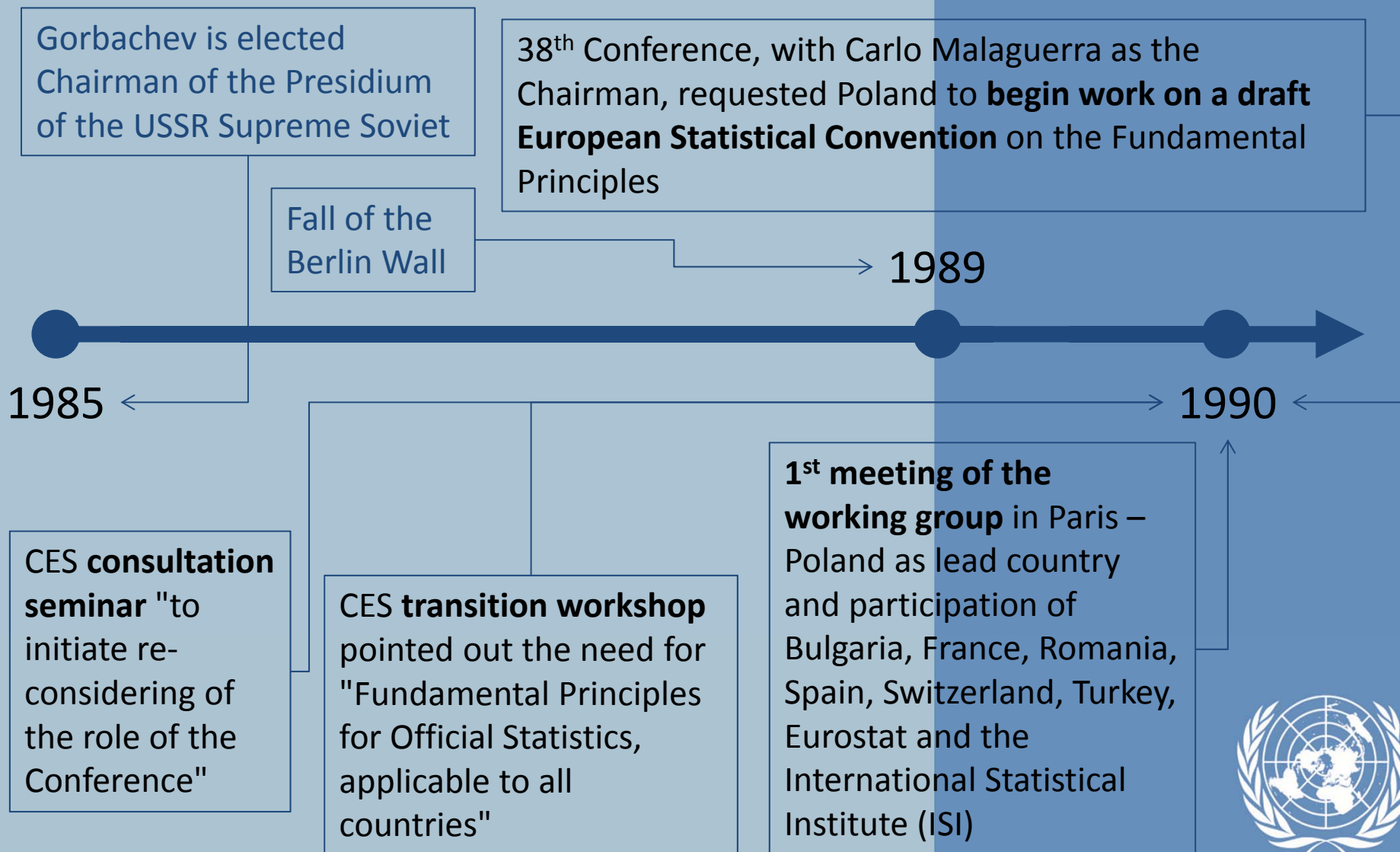


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The Fundamental Principles



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2nd meeting of the working group in Warsaw on Convention on Fundamental Principles

Common declaration of Russia-Belarus-Ukraine about USSR no longer existing – rebuilding of statistical systems started and became one of the priorities for ECE

The 47th session of the ECE **adopted** the Resolution on **Fundamental Principles** as Decision C (47)

1992

1991

The Statistical Committee of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS-STAT) was established

1994

3rd meeting of the working group in Budapest and a CES seminar discussed the draft document on Fundamental Principles

39th Conference adopted the “Draft Resolution on the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics in the ECE region”

The Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics were adopted by the UN Statistical Commission in New York



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1992

ECE-Eurostat-OECD “Joint Programme Review” meetings were initiated to resolve issues of co-ordination of the statistical work in the region

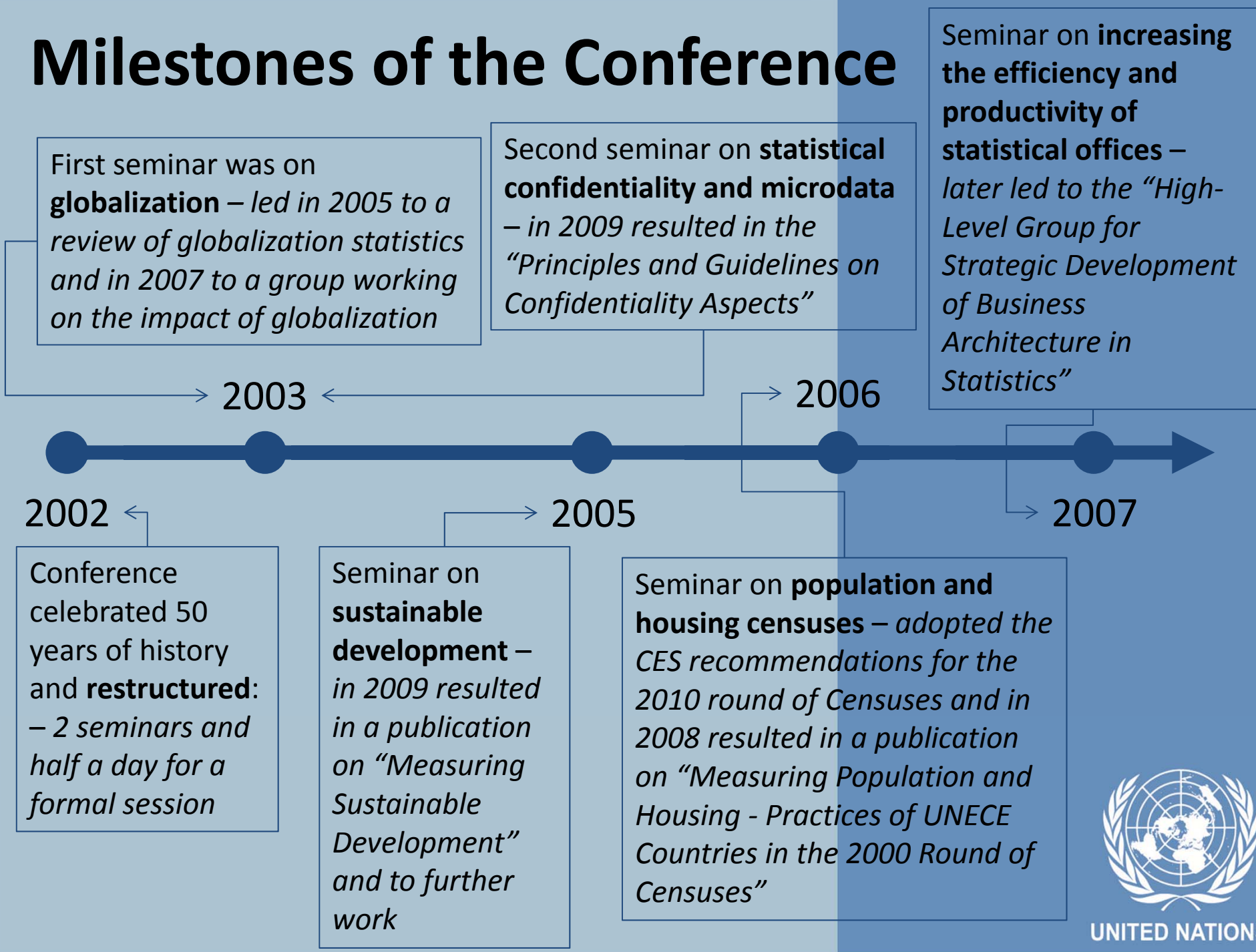
1994

The Conference started convening **at OECD in Paris every second year** at the invitation of OECD.



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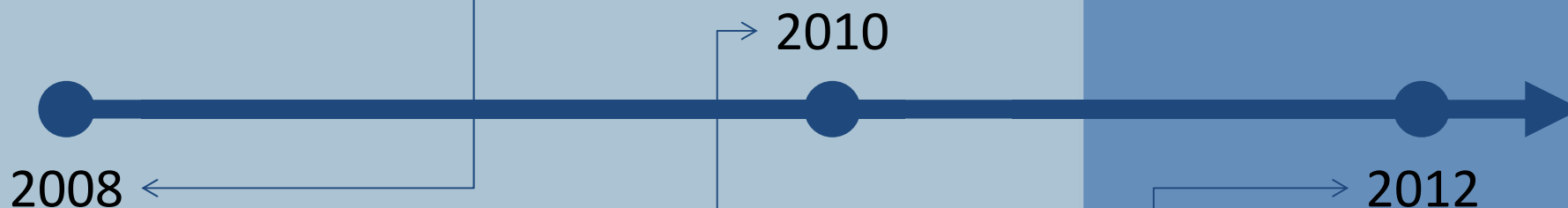


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Seminar on **measuring population movement and integration in a globalized world** – *resulted in several guidelines published between 2010 - 2012*



2008

2010

2012

Seminar on **measurement of international transactions** – *in 2011 resulted in the guidelines on “The Impact of Globalization on National Accounts”*

Seminar on the **Impact of global crises on statistical systems**

The Conference holds its **60th plenary session** and marks 20 years from the adoption of the **Fundamental Principles**



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