



Appointments to the Statistics Advisory Committee (SAC)

The Minister for Finance and Personnel is seeking to appoint a Chairperson and up to 10 members to the Statistics Advisory Committee (SAC) with effect from March 2010.

SAC is a statutory committee appointed to advise NI Departments on all matters relating to the collection and disclosure of statistical information from businesses under the Statistics of Trade and Employment (NI) Order 1988; and to advise on issues such as quality assurance, National Statistics, Codes of Practice and such matters as may be referred to it by departments. Appointment to the committee will be for a five-year term. Appointments are unpaid, although members may be reimbursed for any out-of-pocket expenses incurred in the course of their duties.

Chair / Members are generally selected for their understanding or experience of statistical issues and, more specifically, statistical surveys of businesses. The composition of the Committee is aimed at providing an appropriate cross-section of experience from a variety of interests and backgrounds, both professional and lay, and also those who reflect the interests of the business sector which may be involved in the completion of statistical surveys. Members will be required to provide expertise and specialist advice on statistical surveys of businesses and/or statistical issues more generally, reflecting the views of the wider statistics user community

How to Apply

An information pack and application form containing more detailed information on the role, person specification and areas of expertise sought is available as follows:

In Writing from: DFP Equality Unit, Room B20, Balloo Annexe,
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Completed application forms should be returned to the above postal or email address **by 3pm on 27 November 2009**. CVs will not be accepted.

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY

The Department of Finance and Personnel is committed to the principles of public appointments based on merit, with independent assessment, openness and transparency of process. The Department is also committed to equality of opportunity and welcomes applications from all suitably qualified applicants regardless of religious belief, gender, disability, race, political opinion, age, marital status, sexual orientation or whether or not they have dependents.