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<i>Topic</i> ¹	<i>Agency responsible</i> ²	<i>Related Group</i> ³	<i>Priority</i> ⁴
1. Terms of reference	IMF		High1
2. Activation of guarantees	IMF		High1
3. Accrual principles for debt arrears	IMF		High1
4. Nonperforming loans, valuation of loans and deposits, write-offs, valuation of traded loans in balance sheets, and related issues	IMF ECB	DITEG (for information)	High1
5. Rules for identification of branches	IMF	DITEG	High1
6. Multiterritory enterprises	IMF	DITEG	High1
7. Institutional sector classification	IMF	CUTEg	High1
8. Residence of households	IMF	UNTSGMNP, TFSITS	High1

¹ Where a topic is italicized, it is to indicate that another technical expert group has primary carriage; the topic has been included here as BOPTeG will have an interest in the issue.

² The agency shown is to prepare an issues paper for consideration by BOPTeG.

³ Indicates which other group(s) are involved in the subject: DITEG = Direct Investment Technical Expert Group, CUTEg = Currency Union Technical Expert Group, UNTSGMNP = the United Nations Technical Sub-Group on the Movement of Natural Person – Mode 4 (UNTSGMNP), TFSITS = Task Force on Statistics on International Trade in Services.

⁴ Indicates the priority the IMF Committee on Balance of Payments Statistics accorded the topic: *High1* indicates that the subject will be considered at the first meeting of the BOPTeG, *High2* indicates that the topic will be considered at the second and subsequent meetings of BOPTeG. Should there be time, the other topics will be considered, according to the priority indicated.

9. SPEs and shell and holding companies (units, sectorization, residence, transactions)	IMF	DITEG (CUTEG, for information)	High1
10. Residence of corporations (see also SPEs and holding companies)	IMF	DITEG (CUTEG, for information)	Medium
11. Application of direct investment to government corporations	IMF	DITEG (CUTEG, for information)	Medium
12. Untraded and formerly traded securities in portfolio investment	IMF		High2
13. Traded loans—criteria to become portfolio investment	IMF		High2
14. Goods for processing, Re-exports Trans-shipment	UK France Hong Kong, SAR	CUTEG. TFSITS (for information)	High1 High1 High1
15. Repairs on goods	IMF	TFSITS (for information)	Medium
16. <i>Merchandising (for information)</i>	<i>IMF</i>	<i>TFSITS</i>	<i>Medium</i>
17. <i>Classification of services (for information)</i>	<i>IMF</i>	<i>TFSITS</i>	<i>High1</i>
18. Direct investment—re-invested earnings (including negative reinvested earnings)	IMF	DITEG	High1
19. Retained earnings of mutual funds, and rerouting of investment income of technical reserves of life insurance enterprises and pension funds	IMF	DITEG	High1

20. Interest on debt securities	ECB UK Australia		High1
21. Income on securities lending and reversible gold transactions	IMF Australia		Low
22. Treatment of technical assistance	IMF	UNTSGMNP	High2
23 Mutual insurance	USA		Medium
24. Reinsurance	UK		High1
25. Appendices:			
- Changes from <i>BPM5</i>	IMF		Ongoing
- Reconciliation with <i>SNA</i>	IMF		High2
- Process for amending <i>IASM 2008</i>	IMF		High2
- Risk issues	IMF		Medium
- Exceptional financing	IMF		High2
- Insurance and reinsurance	IMF		High2
- Financial services and income	IMF		High2
- Finance leasing	IMF		High2
- Standard components	IMF		High2
- Debt reorganization/HIPC	IMF		High2
- Reverse transactions	IMF		High2
26. Other possible appendices			
- Tourism	IMF	WTO	Low

- Data dissemination and quality	IMF		High2
- Payments for use of assets	IMF		Medium
- Transactions with IMF	IMF		High2
- Research agenda	IMF	DITEG CUTEG TFSITS UNTSGMNP	Ongoing