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Description Several functions are provided to harmonize CN8 (Combined Nomenclature
8 digits) and PC8 (Production Communautaire 8 digits) product codes over
time and the classification systems HS6 and BEC. Harmonization of CN8
codes are possible by default from 1995 to 2022 and of PC8 from 2001 to
2021, respectively.

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cn8_to_bec   *Concordance list between CN8 and BEC*

Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all CN8 product codes and related BEC codes in a given time
period.

Usage

```
cn8_to_bec(b, e, historymatrix = NULL, progress = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
historymatrix	History matrix of CN8 product codes. Provided by history_matrix_cn8().
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

Value

A data frame that contains all CN8 product codes and related BEC and HS6 codes in a given time
period. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
CN8	character; a specific CN8 code
HS6	character; provides the HS6 classification of the CN8plus code
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregation level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification on a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits)

Examples

```
cn8_to_bec(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

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get_data_directory *Data path for custom data*

Description

Provides the directory where custom data must be stored and the used data (e.g., concordance lists, list of codes) can be edited.

Usage

```
get_data_directory(path = TRUE, open_explorer = FALSE,
                   show_data = NULL)
```

Arguments

path
: logical, determines whether the path is printed in the console

open_explorer
: logical, determines whether an explorer is opened in addition. Only executable if the directory path does not contain any blanks.

show_data
: character string, which must take one of the following values: "CN8", "HS6", "PC8" or "HS6toBEC". All available data in in the given directory is printed in the console. Only executable if the directory path does not contain any blanks.

Value

Returns the path (character), of the directory where custom data must be stored and the used data (e.g., concordance lists, list of codes) can be edited.

Examples

```
get_data_directory()

get_data_directory(path = FALSE, show_data = "CN8")
```

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harmonize_cn8 *Harmonization of CN8 product codes*

Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all CN8 product codes and their history in the demanded time period, as well as harmonized CN8plus code, harmonized HS6plus code and BEC classification.

Usage

```
harmonize_cn8(b, e, historymatrix, harmonize.to = "e",
              HS6breaks = c(1992, 1996, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017),
              progress = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
historymatrix	History matrix of CN8 product codes. Provided by history_matrix_cn8(). By default *NULL*; the function computes the needed harmonized data.
harmonize.to	Defines which year for harmonization is used. It may take the following values:
	• "e", harmonizes product codes towards year e
	• "b", harmonizes product codes towards year b
HS6breaks	Vector of years, where HS6 codes were changed. Do not edit, unless additional break is needed.
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

Value

A data frame that contains all CN8 product codes and their history, harmonized CN8plus codes, harmonized HS6plus codes, and BEC classification. The 'plus-codes' are the main outcome of the function. They provide harmonized information of the product codes, i.e. comparable codes. Every harmonization refers to the last year of interest. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
CN8_xxxx	character; a specific CN8 code in a given year
CN8plus	character; the harmonization code for CN8, which refers to the last/first year of the time period
HS6plus	character; the harmonization code of HS6, which refers to the last/first year of the time period
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification at a high aggregation level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification at a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits)
SNA_basic_class	character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in S
flag	numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time perio
flagyear	numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

Examples

```
harmonize_cn8(b = 2008, e = 2010)

mydata <- history_matrix_cn8(b = 2016, e = 2018)
myharmonization <- harmonize_cn8(b = 2016, e = 2018,
                                 historymatrix = mydata)
```

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harmonize_pc8   *Harmonization of PC8 product codes*

Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all PC8 product codes and their history in the demanded time period, as well as harmonized PC8plus code, harmonized HS6plus code and BEC classification.

Usage

```
harmonize_pc8(b, e, historymatrix = NULL, harmonize.to = "e",
              HS6breaks = c(1992, 1996, 2002, 2007, 2012, 2017),
              progress = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
historymatrix	History matrix of PC8 product codes. Provided by history_matrix_pc8(). By default *NULL*; the function computes the needed harmonized data.
harmonize.to	Defines which year for harmonization is used. It may take the following values: • "e", harmonizes product codes towards year e • "b", harmonizes product codes towards year b
HS6breaks	Vector of years, where HS6 codes where changed.
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

Value

A data frame that contains all PC8 product codes and their history, harmonized PC8plus codes, harmonized HS6plus codes, and BEC classification. The 'plus-codes' are the main outcome of the function. They provide harmonized information of the product codes, i.e. comparable codes. Every harmonization refers to the last year of interest. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
PC8_xxxx	character; a specific PC8 code in a given year
PC8plus	character; the harmonization code for PC8, which refers to the last/first year of the time period
HS6plus	character; the harmonization code of HS6, which refers to the last/first year of the time period
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification at a high aggregation level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification at a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits)
SNA_basic_class	character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in E
flag	numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time perio
flagyear	numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

Examples

```
harmonize_pc8(b = 2009, e = 2011)

mydata <- history_matrix_pc8(b = 2015, e = 2017)
myharmonization <- harmonize_pc8(b = 2015, e = 2017,
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                                  historymatrix = mydata)
```

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history_matrix_cn8   *History matrix of CN8 product codes*

Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all CN8 product codes and their history in a given time period.

Usage

```
history_matrix_cn8(b, e, c1 = 1988, c2 = 2022,
                   progress = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
c1	first year of the concordance list
c2	last year of the concordance list
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

Value

A data frame that contains all CN8 product codes and their history over time for the demanded time period. This dataset is the basis for the main function harmonize_cn8() and can be obtained therewith as well. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
CN8_xxxx	character; a specific CN8 code in a given year
flag	numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time period but wa
flagyear	numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

Examples

```
history_matrix_cn8(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

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history_matrix_pc8   *History matrix of PC8 product codes*

Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all PC8 product codes and their history in a given time period.

Usage

```
history_matrix_pc8(b, e, progress = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

Value

A data frame that contains all PC8 product codes and their history over time for the demanded time period. This dataset is the basis for the main function harmonize_pc8() and can be obtained therewith as well. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
PC8_xxxx	character; a specific PC8 code in a given year
flag	numeric; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time period but wa
flagyear	numeric; indicates the first year in which the flag was set to 1

Examples

```
history_matrix_pc8(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

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pc8_to_bec	*concordance list between PC8 and BEC*

Description

Provides a dataframe which contains all PC8 product codes and related BEC codes in the demanded time period.

Usage

```
pc8_to_bec(b, e, historymatrix = NULL, progress = TRUE)
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
historymatrix	History matrix of PC8 product codes. Provided by history_matrix_pc8().
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.

Value

A data frame that contains all PC8 product codes and related BEC and HS6 codes in a given time period. The following table offers an overview of all provided variables.

Variable	Explanation
PC8	character; a specific PC8 code
HS6	character; provides the HS6 classification of the PC8plus code
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregation level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification on a lower aggregation level (up to 3 digits)

Examples

```
pc8_to_bec(b = 2008, e = 2010)
```

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utilize_cn8   *A possible utilization of harmonized CN8 products codes*

Description

Provide an application of the data frames obtained by the main function, `harmonize_cn8`. To use these additional functions, data on firm-level is required, which is data that is not provided by the package.

Usage

```
utilize_cn8(b, e, firm_data, harmonized_data = NULL,
            progress = TRUE, output = "merged.firm.data",
            value = FALSE, base = "CN8")
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
firm_data	Data on firm level which must provide the following columns: "firmID", "year" and "CN8".
harmonized_data	
	Harmonized data of CN8 product codes. Provided by harmonize_cn8(). By default *NULL*; the function computes the needed harmonized data.
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.
output	Defines which dataframe is returned. It may take the following values:

- "product.changes", returns all changed CN8 product codes per firm per year (see description of (a) below)
- "merged.firm.data", returns entered firm data, extended by harmonized data (see description of (b) below)

- "all", returns both dataframes as a list

value	logical, determines whether value is calculated for same/new/dropped products. Only possible if data contains a column: "value". Value may contain different quantities (e.g. sales [Euro] or weight [kg]).
base	Defines which plus-codes are used as a base for calculating added/dropped/same products and their corresponding values. It may take the following values:

- "CN8", uses CN8plus codes for computation.
- "HS6", uses HS6plus codes for computation.

Value

Provides two possible data frames:

(a) One dataframe that contains all changed CN8 product codes per firm per year. In more detail, this means how many products remained the same, were added or dropped - the value of the same/added/dropped products - how many products were produced by a certain firm in a given year, and how many products were produced in the year after. As a base of this computation CN8plus codes or HS6plus codes can be used.

(b) One dataframe that is based on the entered firm data. The entered firm data is extended by harmonized data (that is "CN8plus", "flag", "flagyear", "HS6plus", "BEC", "BEC_agr", "SNA_basic_class").

Table that summarizes the output, described by the notation (a) above:

Variable	Explanation
firmID	character; specific code that describes a firm over the years (this code does not change over t
period_UL	character; lower limit of the time period
period	character; time period in which the product was produced
gap	numeric; indicating if the time period is greater than one (i.e. upper limit - lower limit > 1)
same_products	numeric; number of products that were produced in both years (i.e. remained in the product
value_same_products	numeric; value of products that were produced in both years (i.e. remained in the product po
new_products	numeric; number of added products in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. added to the pr
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nbr_of_products_period_LL	numeric; number of all products produced in the lower limit of the time period (i.e. entire pr
nbr_of_products_period_UL	numeric; number of all products produced in the upper limit of the time period (i.e. entire pr

Table that summarizes the output, described by the notation (b) above:

Variable	Explanation
firmID	character; specific code that describes a firm over the years (this code does not change over time, provide
year	numeric; year in which the firm produced a product (provided by user)
CN8	character; CN8 code of firm product (provided by user)
(value)	numeric; value of the corresponding product code (may be provided by user)
...	character; additional columns from original firm data (provided by user)
CN8plus	character; final harmonization, which refers to the last year of the time period
flag	character; either 0 or 1; 1 indicates that this code remained the same in notation over the whole time peri

HS6	character; provides the HS6 classification of the CN8plus code
HS6plus	character; also adjusts for the change lists of HS6
BEC	character; provides the BEC classification on a high aggregated level (1 digit)
BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification on a less aggregated level (up to 3 digits)
SNA_basic_class	character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in E

Examples

```
sampledata <- read.table(paste0(system.file("extdata", package = "harmonizer"),
                         "/sampledata/cn8sample.txt"), sep = ";",
                         header = TRUE, colClasses = "character")

utilize_cn8(b = 2008, e = 2010, firm_data = sampledata)

newdata <- utilize_cn8(b = 2008, e = 2010, firm_data = sampledata,
                       output = "all")
changes <- newdata[[1]]
merged_data <- newdata[[2]]
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these additional functions, data on firm-level is required, which is data that is not provided by the
package.

Usage

```
utilize_pc8(b, e, firm_data, harmonized_data = NULL,
            progress = TRUE, output = "merged.firm.data",
            value = FALSE, base = "PC8")
```

Arguments

b	first year of interest
e	last year of interest
firm_data	Data on firm level which must provide the following columns: "firmID", "year" and "PC8".
harmonized_data	
	Harmonized data of PC8 product codes. Provided by harmonize_pc8(). By default *NULL*; the function computes the needed harmonized data.
progress	logical, determines whether progress is printed in console or not.
output	Defines which dataframe is returned. It may take the following values:

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- "all", returns both dataframes as a list

value   logical, determines whether value is calculated for same/new/dropped products. Only possible if data contains a column: "value". Value may contain different quantities (e.g. sales [Euro] or weight [kg]).

base   Defines which plus-codes are used as a base for calculating added/dropped/same products and their corresponding values. It may take the following values:

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(value)	numeric; value of the corresponding product code (may be provided by user)
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BEC_agr	character; provides the BEC classification on a less aggregated level (up to 3 digits)
SNA_basic_class	character; provides information if the code is classified as consumption, capital or intermediate good in E

Examples

```
sampledata <- read.table(paste0(system.file("extdata", package = "harmonizer"),
                         "/sampledata/pc8sample.txt"), sep = ";",
                         header = TRUE , colClasses = "character")

utilize_pc8(b = 2011, e = 2013, firm_data = sampledata)

newdata <- utilize_pc8(b = 2011, e = 2013, firm_data = sampledata,
                       output = "all")
changes <- newdata[[1]]
merged_data <- newdata[[2]]
```

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