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EGRISS
EXPERT GROUP ON REFUGEE, IDP
AND STATELESSNESS STATISTICS

Presentation Overview

1) EGRISS overview

2) The Recommendations

3) Implementation progress

What is the EGRISS?

Expert

Group on

Refugee,

IDP and

Statelessness

Statistics

Expert Group mandated by the UN Statistical Commission since 2016

Developed international statistical recommendations on forced displacement and statelessness

EGRISS

Multi-stakeholder group with 57 countries & 37 int'l/regional organizations

Collaborative platform to support **implementation of IRRS, IRIS & IROSS**

What is the EGRISS all about?

Expert
Group on
Refugee,
IDP and
Statelessness
Statistics

Inclusive Statistics
Harmonized Statistics
National Statistics

EGRISS

A trilogy of Statistical Recommendations (with 2 available in 5 languages)

Access here: [Recommendations - EGRISS (egrisstats.org)](egrisstats.org)

Collaborative engagement in regional & thematic areas

- Regional Engagement through dedicated "task teams" making efforts to build on existing platforms/processes (e.g. CEPAL working group and CRVS decade)

- Thematic priorities identified by members addressed through webinars, trainings, workshops & events (e.g. census/survey inclusion)

EGRISS Technical Subgroup 1
Regional Task Teams

Asia & Pacific | Western Asia

Africa | Europe

Latin America & Caribbean

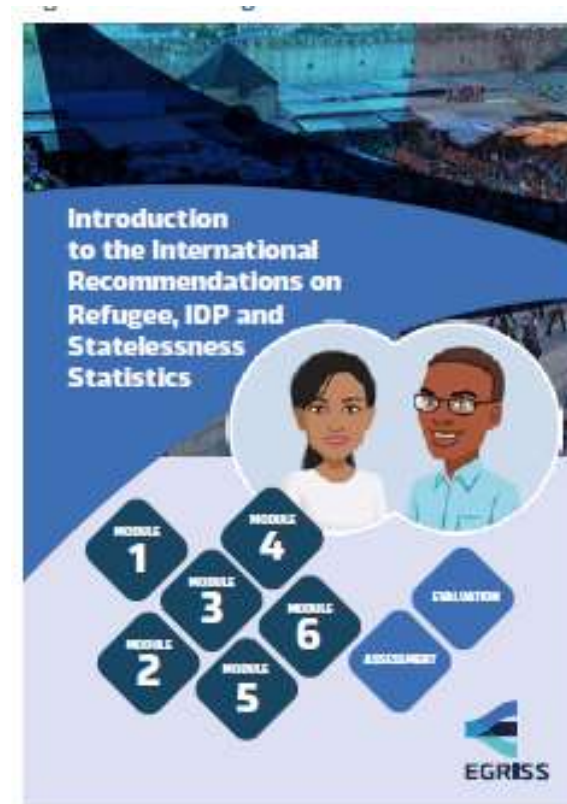Leveraging Population & Housing Censuses for Data Collection on Forcibly Displaced

Identifying Refugees and IDPs in Household Surveys

Complementary resources to enhance accessibility and provide guidance

Revised **Compilers' Manual** providing technical guidance for practitioners

E-learning (facilitated & self-paced) now including material on statelessness

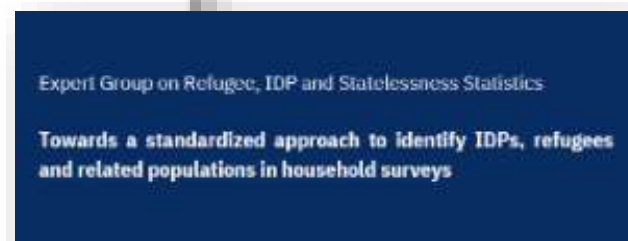# Research & development to tackle recurring questions

Published:

- Identification questions for surveys

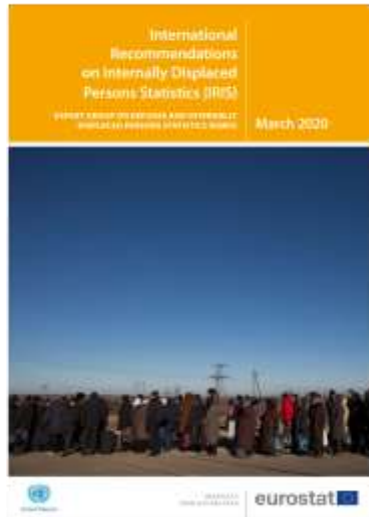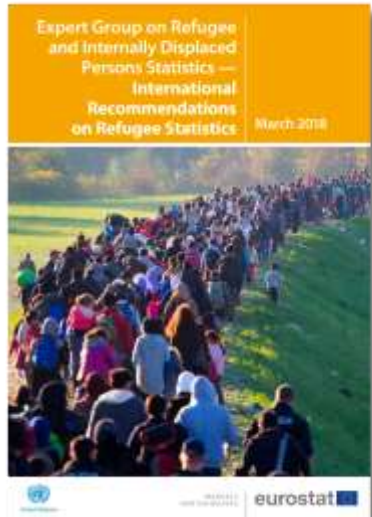- Measuring exits of the IDP stock (i.e. end of displacement)

Ongoing:

- Defining the host community

- Priority SDG indicators – including/disaggregating for forced displacement and statelessness

Read more: Methodological refinement - EGRISS (egrisstats.org)
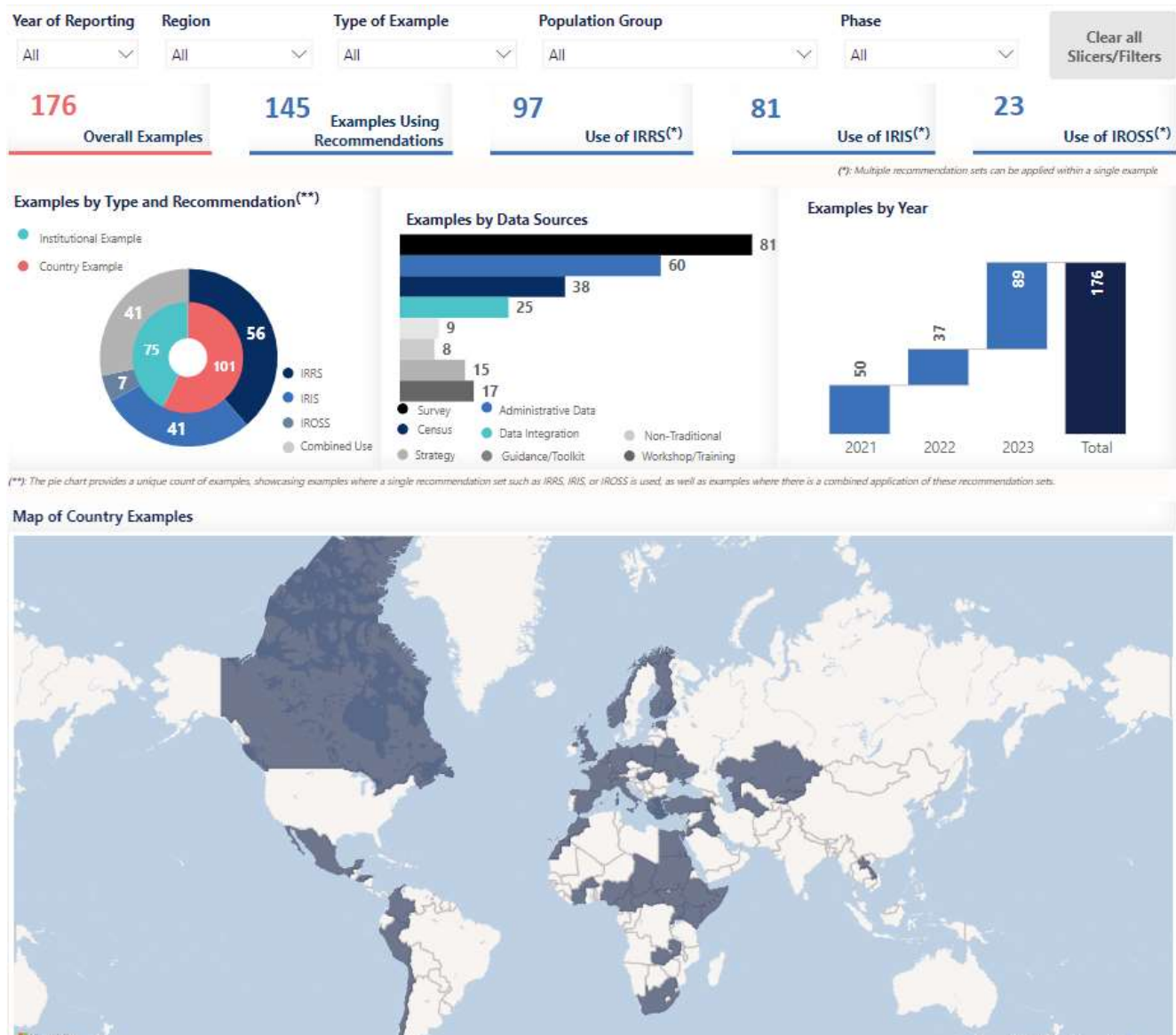*and Sustainable Development Goals - EGRISS (egrisstats.org)*

What's in the Statistical Recommendations?

- **Legal framework:**
  Grounding the recommendations

- **Statistical framework:**
  Who to include and how to define different groups

- **Statistics, indicators & tabulations:**
  What data to collect and statistics to produce

- **Data sources:**
  How different data sources can be used/improved on

- **Coordination:**
  How national, regional and international statistical coordination can be capitalized on/improved

Access all three here: Recommendations - EGRISS (egrisstats.org)

Efforts to monitor & learn from implementation

- Global Annual Inclusion (GAIN) Survey with improved quality, coverage and reach in 2023

- Case studies showcasing country experiences using the Recommendations

Progress is beginning to emerge...

Figure 6. Trend of Implementation of Country and Institution Led Examples by 2023
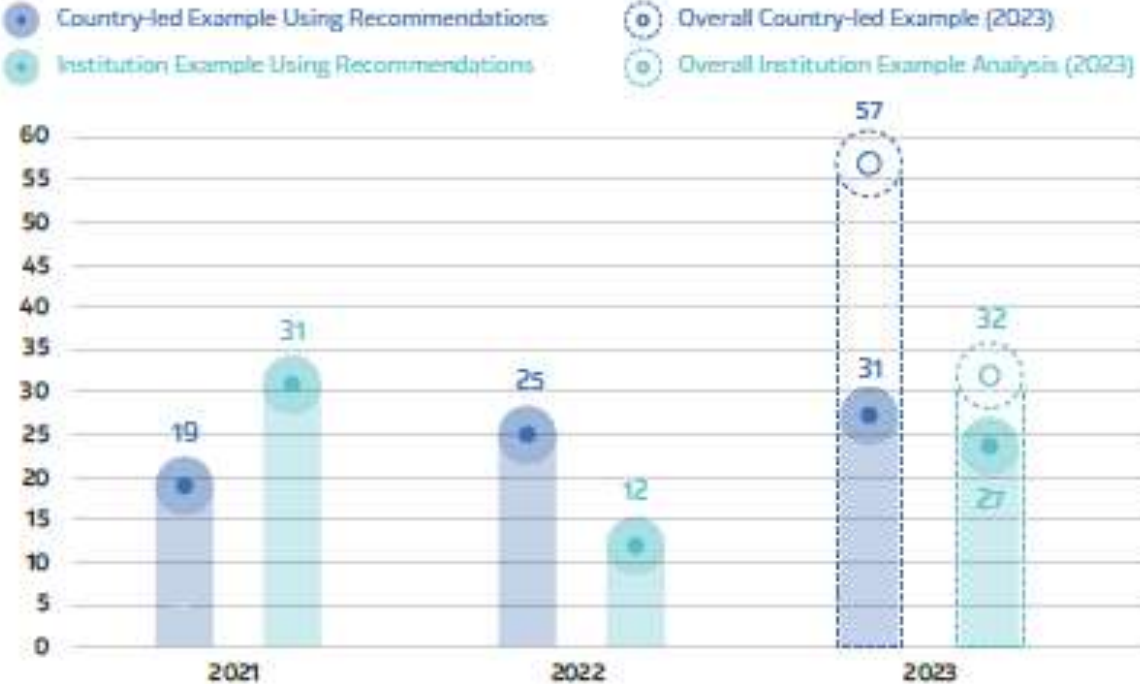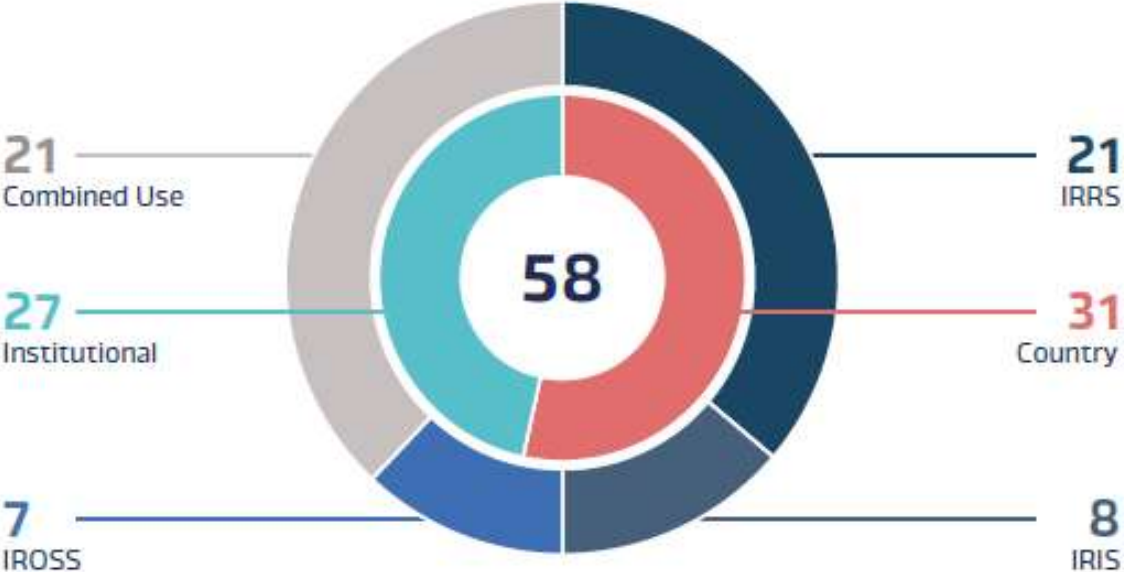
Legend:
- Country-led Example Using Recommendations
- Institution Example Using Recommendations
- Overall Country-led Example (2023)
- Overall Institution Example Analysis (2023)

Figure 7: Overview of the Implementation of the IRRS, IRIS and IROSS in 2023

- 21 Combined Use
- 27 Institutional
- 7 IROSS
- 58
- 21 IRRS
- 31 Country
- 8 IRIS

…and hopefully more to come

Global Refugee Forum Dec 2023:
- Multi-stakeholder pledge on statistical inclusion of refugees, IDPs and stateless persons (co-led by Djibouti, EGRISS and JDC)
- 99 pledges made including **from UNECE and 7 ECE Member States**

Momentum built through regional cooperation & experience sharing between countries:
- Observation from engagement LAC & Africa
- Initial efforts to strengthen engagement in Asia and the Pacific & Europe
- Exploring opportunities with UNESCWA in the Middle East

Enhanced linkages to migration statistics

From the perspective of an EGRISS country member: Hungary

- EGRISS member since 2017 (Oslo meeting)

- Drafting International Recommendations on Refugee Statistics and Compiler's Manual
  - Chapter: Dissemination and use of refugee statistics

- Work in subgroups
  - Dissemination and promotion
  - Technical Subgroup 1 – Regional Task Team on Europe

From the perspective of an EGRISS country member: Hungary

- Main experiences:
  - international teamwork with different regions of the World
  - forum for exchange of experience
  - getting to know new methods
  - personal aspect: work for a field which is of especially important for me

- UN Expert Group on Migration Statistics
  - asylum related population as part of migrant population
  - UN Expert Group planned meeting in Warsaw, Poland (July 2024)

- Hungary's perspective:
  - utilization of administrative data sources

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