Expert Meeting on Statistics for SDGs
Communication with Stakeholders, including policy makers in Germany

Indicators für Sustainable Development

Global: UN Agenda 2030
- 17 Goals and 169 Targets
- 231 Indicators

Regional: EU
- European indicator set is being developed

National: Report to the HLPF
- Summer 2016
- National data for global SDG-Indicators www.destatis.de/SDG

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German Sustainable Development Strategy

- Revision in the light of the UN Agenda 2030
- Dialog on sustainability throughout Germany
- Draft of strategy presented in May 2016 by Chancellor Merkel
- Open consultation during summer 2016
- Review and definition of indicators and goals
- Endorsed in January 2017

- Structured according to the 17 SDGs
- 38 sustainability postulates
- 63 indicators and corresponding targets
- Indicators part of political strategy
- NSO actively involved in discussion

Institutional Architecture for Sustainable Development
Role of Federal Statistical Office

- **Advisory role concerning indicator definition and development in**
  - Interministerial exchange, WG for sustainable development (UAL-AG)
    - *reactive approach*: active attendance when invited
  - Bilateral and multilateral consultations of concerned ministries on possible indicators
    - *reactive approach*: active attendance when invited
- **Exchange of experiences with German Länder**
  - Participation in annual meetings between the Federal Government and Länder on sustainable development
    - *reactive approach*: giving presentation at meeting
  - New format of meetings between statistical offices of the Länder and FSO on sustainable development
    - *pro-active approach*: organizing meeting

Role of Federal Statistical Office (continued)

- **Data provider**
  - over 50% of indicators are calculated based mainly on FSO data
- **Independent monitoring and reporting**
  - Compiling of indicators
  - Analysis of indicators’ development
- **Calculation of “status”**
  - By means of weather icons
    - *Every two years*: Report on indicators
    - *Every four years*: Report on indicators as part of the progress report of the federal government
### Current Evaluation of Target Achievement

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### National Reporting Platform

- **All national indicators will be available on GENESIS-Online**
  - all data available online in German and English
  - customizable tables
  - Customizable graphs and maps
  - downloadable in Excel, HTML and CSV

- [www-genesis.destatis.de](http://www-genesis.destatis.de)
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Communicating as a member of IAEG-SDG

- **With lead ministries for sustainable development**
  -> proactive approach: providing regular updates

- **With Parliamentary Advisory Council on Sustainable Development**
  -> reactive approach: rapporteur

- With civil society organizations, NGOs
  -> reactive approach: responding requests, several meetings

- **With Econsense** = German industry forum for sustainable development
  -> reactive approach: giving presentations at conferences

- **With German Länder**
  -> reactive approach: participation in annual meetings

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Report to the High Level Political Forum (HLPF)

- National report to the HLPF by the Federal Government
  - Summer 2016
  - Political Review with a statistical annex
  - national data for global indicators
  - data for about 110 indicators available

Communicating with other data providers

- **Geospatial data:**
  - Memorandum of Understanding with Federal Agency of Cartography and Geodesy

- **Monitoring the New Urban Agenda:**
  - initial exchange with responsible government agencies to identify similarities, overlaps and synergies

- **Validation of Data from Custodian Agencies:**
  - Process just started
  - Establishing focal points for individual indicators or goals within FSO as well as within line-ministries and related institutions
  - Coordinating function (as well as focal point for some indicators)
THANK YOU!

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