Data Reporting for the Global Monitoring of the SDG

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The statistical role of International and Supranational Statistical Agencies (ISSAs)

• Mandated by ISSA bodies (national authorities, most of them do not include representatives from NSSs)
  – Define what and how
  – Define the allocation of resources
• ISSA respond to national authorities users who require
  – Comparability
  – Quality
  – Coverage
  – Relevance
ISSAs follow the same criteria used by NSOs

- Strong ethical guidelines (Fundamental Principles of Official statistics and Principles for International Statistics)
- Quality assurance frameworks (comparability, transparency, accuracy, ..)
- Management of non-response and imputation when feasible and needed
- Use non-official sources when official sources do not exist
- Use cost-effective methods and methods that fit the purpose

A partnership for SDG monitoring

- NSOs
- International organizations
- Regional organizations
- Other national authorities

Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics
CCSA Principles as accountability framework for ISSAs

CCSA members have committed to

- Provide technical assistance to countries
- Use national official data in all cases where NSOs produce estimates provided they meet quality criteria for SDG indicator
- ISSAs adjustments or estimates with:
  - Documentation
  - Technical consultation
  - Review by NSS
CCSA members have committed to

- Minimize burden of reporting
  - Using existing mechanisms
  - Promote use of data transmission standards
  - Data sharing across ISSAs
- Involve NSO: copy in data requests and provide NSO with list of national providers
- No duplication of data collections by ISSAs
- Consistency with SDG global database
- Transparency: proper metadata

Most of international statistics are in line with national statistics or have a clear and acceptable reason to be different

BUT
When ISSAs can provide a value added as source of national statistics?

- To measure transnational phenomena
- To develop models with multi-country data

In case international data are a source of concern

- Resolve the disagreement: discussing within the framework of the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and Principles for International Statistics considering:
  - National ownership
  - Comparability, transparency and statistical quality
- If the disagreement can not be resolved
  - Be transparent: acknowledge the difference and provide explanations
Example: Intentional homicide (16.1.1)

**BBC**

**World Cup 2026: Morocco bids for event, along with US, Mexico & Canada**

Morocco’s “exceptionally low murder rates” and “very low gun circulation” are among the reasons it should be chosen to host the football World Cup in 2026, it says in its bid book.

"Exceptionally low murder rates (three per 100,000 people), benefitting from very low gun circulation, are reflected in a United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC) study ranking Morocco among the best-performing nations in the world - at the same level as both Denmark and Japan," says the Moroccan bid.

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**UNODC work to report 16.1.1**

**Data collection**

- Data are collected through a long-standing UNODC data collection system: UN-Crime Trend Survey (CTS)
- Focal points for the CTS are nominated by national governments through Permanent Missions in Vienna

**Data dissemination**

- Data are compiled, quality assessed and adjusted if needed
- Data sent for review to CTS Focal Points + NSOs provided by UNSD (cc-ed Permanent Missions)
- Comments received by Member States incorporated, data sent to UNSD and published by UNODC
Example of adjustment:

Application of the International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes (ICCS) – approved by the UN Statistical Commission and UN Commission on Crime and Criminal Justice

Examples of disagreement:

Who has given authority to UNODC to involve the NSO?

We are a special country. Our homicide rate is zero.
Response to the problems:

- Enforce the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics?
- Broader engagement of NSOs in UN bodies?

Thank you for your attention