Expert Meeting on Statistics for Sustainable Development Goals

Statistical capacity development for SDGs and beyond

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Introduction

Statistical Capacity Development

process through which NSOs and NSS strengthen and maintain the capabilities to set, achieve and reinforce their institutional framework as well as their capacity to develop, produce and disseminate statistics over time → SDGs and beyond

Investing in National Statistical System and National Statistical Office (coordination role)

Modernisation, Innovation

Increasing demand of soft skills

→ institutional, planning, communication, users, etc.

Country-driven

Identification of needs and priorities

Resources available

Partnership and cooperation

Long term project → tailored capacity support with a country-led focus

Coordination of initiatives (mapping who is doing what and where ….and how)

Sharing good practices →country to countries but also across countries

Timeline:

In February 2016, the CES Bureau set up a Steering Group on statistics for SDGs (ECE/CES/BUR/2016/FEB/5), with the following objectives: (a) to prepare a road map for developing official statistics for SDGs under CES.

In December 2017 Steering Group meeting, member countries agreed that there is strong need to improve coordination on SDG statistical capacity development within the UNECE CES region. To meet this challenge, establishment of the Task Team on Capacity Development was proposed.

In 2018/2020 MATRIX ON CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT was created

During 2022/2023 Task Team will pilot it, connect and involve the Capacity Development Matrix within newest capacity development international initiatives and define the final structure of the Matrix

Task Team Capacity Development

- members of the Task team: Italy - Montenegro (co-chairs),

2018-2020: Canada, Denmark, France, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Netherlands, Republic of Moldova, Norway, Russian Federation, Switzerland, Poland, PARIS21 and WHO Europe

2022-2023: Albania, Armenia, Denmark, France, Kyrgyzstan, Norway, Poland, Russian Federation, Sweden/PARIS21, WHO Europe and FAO

Key points for the session - Matrix

Strategy and documents used:

- Paris 21/HLG-PCCB questionnaire results – overview

- UNECE Statistical Capacity Development Strategy

Matrix structure

- Strategic
- Organizational:
  - ✓ Standards and Frameworks
  - ✓ Resources and Training
- IT Tools

Strategic pillar

- It is the enabling pillar within NSIs and their NSS (People and organization) function and can strengthen their statistical capacity. It includes:

- Institutional (legal framework- and revision of statistical law-, Professional Independence of NSI, mandate for data collection, access to administrative data, confidentiality, etc)

- Internal Governance (of NSI) and overall governance of the National statistical system

- Coordination role

- Leadership

- Relations with other National Authorities belonging to the National Statistical System

- Communication with policy makers, stakeholders and users

- Profiling the needs of users

- Management and implementation of quality

- National Strategy on data and statistics (eg. NSDS)

- Partnership (with whom and to what)
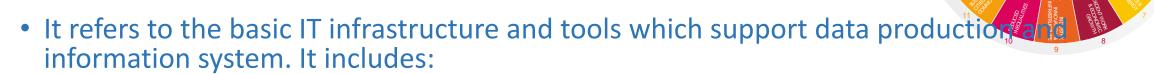
- Coordination of cooperation initiatives

Organisational pillar

- It refers to the internal structure, processes, sectorial production which influence the effectiveness of a system and allow greater and potential growing statistical capacity. It includes:

- modernization of statistical production

- human resources management

- IT infrastructure

- responsibility for SDGs

- organization of domains

- data sharing

- re-use data

IT pillar

- It refers to the basic IT infrastructure and tools which support data production and information system. It includes:

- sdmx

- exchange of data

- metadata infrastructure

- standard methods

- standards

- data portal

- hardware and software

The vertical division consists of four main aspects on which specific questions are identified:

Level of development	What is your level of development?	Low/Medium/High
Presence of a Strategy document	Do you have a Strategy document that covers this area?	Yes/No
Need of external support	Do you need external support to further develop this area?	Yes/No
Priorities	What are the top priorities?	one or more priorities which you would like to implement in near future

2022/2023 Activities

1. Define the final structure of the Matrix (incorporate all comments from the pilot countries). Update the CD Matrix

✓ Selecting the countries that are going to piloting the existing version of the Matrix exploring the extension also to the NSS

✓ Make the final version of the Matrix:
- Incorporate all comments from the pilots
- Identify possible additional details and incorporate them within the Matrix
- Update the CD Matrix
- Update the Guidelines and other documents

2. Connect and involve the Capacity Development Matrix within newest capacity development international initiatives

- Identify all relevant newest capacity development international initiatives

- Identify the ways how to connect and involve the Capacity Development Matrix within newest capacity development international initiatives

- Promote and disseminate the CD Matrix

Thank you for your attention