Workshop on the Implementation of the SDG Indicator Framework in the ESCWA Region

INITIATIVES OF SESRIC ON SDGs AT THE OIC LEVEL

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ACTIONS UNDERTAKEN

- FOLLOW-UP INTERNATIONAL FORA
- OIC STATISTICAL COMMISSION
- TENDENCY SURVEY ON SDG PRIORITIES OF OIC MEMBER COUNTRIES
The Centre participated in the first three IAEG-SDGs meetings, namely:

- **New York, June 2015** → Methods of work, process for indicator selection, interlinkages across targets and data disaggregation.

- **Bangkok, October 2015** → ‘Indicators with some unresolved issues’ were assigned to either ‘indicators those for which the consultation process was completed’ or ‘more in-depth discussion and methodology development is needed’.

- **Mexico, April 2016** → Tier system for the SDGs indicators. *Tier III* need refinements and improvement.
• SESRIC also attended to the 47\textsuperscript{th} Session of the UNSC in March 2016 that classified the SDGs indicators into three tiers.

• As of 21 December 2016, the updated tier classification contains:
  
  • \textit{Tier I}: 83 indicators
  • \textit{Tier II}: 59 indicators
  • \textit{Tier III}: 83 indicators
  • \textit{Multiple tiers}: 5 indicators
OIC Statistical Commission

Strategic Vision 2020 and Executive Work Plan of OIC-StatCom

4 Main Strategic Objectives

Statistical Capacity Development
- StatCaB Programme
- Poverty Statistics
- Tourism Statistics
- Education Statistics
- Food Security Statistics

Coordination of Statistical Cooperation and Collaboration (among the Stakeholders of NSSs and regional/international organisations)
- TQS
- OIC-Peer
- Statistical Outreach Toolkit
- ODA
- SDG Priorities

Development of Common Methodologies for Indicators Specific to the OIC MCs
- IBFStat
- Statistical Applications

Accreditation of Statistical Professionals
- OIC-CPOS
Sixth Session of OIC-StatCom
5-6 November 2016
Konya, Republic of Turkey
SIXTH SESSION OF OIC-STATCOM

Participation

- 65 Participants
- 34 Member Countries
- 11 Int. Organisations

Agenda

- Role of NSSs in the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals Indicator Framework
- Modernisation of NSSs through Architectural Models.
• OIC StatCaB Programme facilitates flow of statistical and professional know-how among NSSs of OIC countries based on a South-South and Triangular Cooperation approach

• Needs and capacities identification through biannual questionnaires

• Questionnaires are made available in three official languages of the OIC and also accessible online

• For the biennium 2016-2017, questionnaire circulation was in the third quarter of 2015.

• For the biennium 2018-2019, questionnaire will be distributed in the second quarter of 2017.
Number of Statistical Activities, by Year, 2007-2017

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Distribution of Statistical Activities, by Type, 2007-2017

- Short-Term Training Courses: 72%
- EGM/WS: 19%
- Study Visits: 4%
- Technical Missions: 3%
- OIC-StatCom: 2%
SID ACTIVITIES COMPLETED

TOP 10 COUNTRIES BENEFITED FROM STATCAB, 2007 - 2017

- Azerbaijan: 14
- Bangladesh: 10
- Afghanistan: 9
- Kazakhstan: 8
- Qatar: 8
- Sudan: 8
- UAE: 7
- Kuwait: 6
- Malaysia: 6
- Senegal: 6

TOP 10 COUNTRIES CONTRIBUTED TO STATCAB, 2007 - 2017

- Turkey: 51
- Egypt: 17
- Indonesia: 15
- Morocco: 12
- Jordan: 11
- Malaysia: 11
- Côte d'Ivoire: 10
- Azerbaijan: 9
- Senegal: 9
- Tunisia: 9
Distribution of Statistical Activities, by Domain, 2007-2017

- Economic Statistics: 40%
- Demographic and Social Statistics: 13%
- Environment and Multi-Domain Statistics: 13%
- Methodology of Data Collection, Processing, Dissemination, and Analysis: 19%
- Professional Skills for Official Statisticians: 4%
- Strategic and Managerial Issues of Official Statistics: 11%

Partners Involved:
- Beneficiaries: 55
- Providers: 19
- IOs: 38
Number of Statistical Activities Conducted, by Theme, 2007-2017

- Data, 33
- Multi Dim., 23
- Nat. Acts., 18
- Tourism, 18
- Agriculture, 16
- Surveys, 12
- Health, 12
- Infrastrc., 12
- Labour, 14
- Prof. Skills, 10
- Trade, 9
- Price, 8
- Finance, 7
- Edu. & STI, 6
- Gender, 5
- Other, 22
- Coord. & Coop., 4
- Econ. Acts., 3
- Business, 2
- Demography, 3
- Env., 3
- Income& Cons., 2
- MMC, 2
- OIC-PEER, 2
- Culture, 1

Number of Statistical Activities Conducted, by Theme, 2007-2017

- Tourism, 18
- Agriculture, 16
- Nat. Acts., 18
- Multi Dim., 23
- Data, 33
CAPACITY BUILDING COURSES

‘Agriculture Statistics’ in Chad
Feb-March 2017
Provider: INS of Cote d’Ivoire

‘Agriculture Statistics’ in Benin
Jan-Feb 2017
Provider: INS of Cote d’Ivoire

Provider: TurkStat of Turkey

‘Labour Statistics’ in Oman
April 2016
Provider: PCBS of Palestine

‘Household Inc.&Exp. Data’ in Kuwait, May 2015
Provider: TurkStat of Turkey

‘Health Statistics’ in Bangladesh
August 2015
Provider: BPS-Statistics Indonesia
STUDY VISITS & TECHNICAL MISSIONS

‘GATS & Turkish Health Survey’ in Turkey
April 2016
Beneficiary: BPS-Statistics Indonesia

‘Transport Statistics’ in Kazakhstan
September 2016
Provider: TurkStat of Turkey

‘Poverty Statistics’ in Jordan
February 2016
Beneficiary: CSO of Yemen

‘TQS: Sampling Methods’ in Azerbaijan
November 2015
Provider: TurkStat of Turkey

‘GATS & Turkish Health Survey’ in Turkey

‘Transport Statistics’ in Kazakhstan

‘Poverty Statistics’ in Jordan

‘TQS: Sampling Methods’ in Azerbaijan
WORKSHOPS & MEETINGS

Meeting with the Delegates of NSOs of OIC Member Countries in USA, March 2017


Workshop on ‘Monitoring Food Security’ in Turkey, February 2017 Partners: SESRIC, FAO

Arab Conference on a Transformative Agenda for Official Statistics in Ankara, April 2016 Partners: SESRIC, ESCWA, UNSD, IDB, GCC-STAT, AITRS
To circulate the StatCaB Questionnaire for 2018-2019 in the second quarter of 2017. Following changes are planned:

- Launch of an online form for the biannual survey
- More sub-activities to be asked in the biannual survey
- Procedures to start with ToR from beneficiary countries
- Increase number of OIC Countries to provide StatCaB activities
- Bring about more synergies with regional agencies
- Responding more to the on-demand requests
The 31st Session of the COMCEC in 2015 adopted Resolution #117 below under Agenda Item 12 “Exchange of Views on ‘Post-2015 Development Agenda and Development Challenges of the Islamic Ummah: Improving Basic Service Delivery’” which states:

117- Taking into the consideration the ambitious agenda of the SDGs and the need to prioritize among 17 goals at the national level, requests SESRIC in collaboration with the CCO to identified the priority SDG areas for the Member States via surveys, field visits for meetings with stakeholders as well as to make capacity needs assessment in these priority areas for the Member States and report it to the 32nd Follow-up Committee Meeting and 32nd Session of COMCEC.
In line with the Work Plan followed by the IAEG-SDGs, the IAEG-SDGs Secretariat finalised the initial tier system by 29 July.

After the finalisation of the initial tier system, SESRIC developed a questionnaire in accordance with Resolution #117 of the 31st Session of the COMCEC Summit and made the questionnaire available in three official languages of the OIC on its website: www.sesric.org/activities-announcements-detail.php?id=386.

The questionnaire has the objective to identify the priorities given by the OIC member countries to each of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
The questionnaire comprises of the following four sections:

- **INTRODUCTION:** Briefing on the purpose of the questionnaire, fields for contact details of the head of institution responding to the questionnaire, SDG focal point in the responding institution and respondent completing the questionnaire;

- **PART A:** Prioritisation of SDGs, Expected Achievement Levels, and Limiting Factors on SDGs;

- **PART B:** National Commitment to SDGs; Relevant Agencies, Their Human Resource Capacities; Cooperation with International Agencies; and Training Needs and Capacities on SDGs; and

- **ANNEX:** List of SDGs and targets under each SDG.
## TENDENCY SURVEY ON THE SDGs PRIORITIES

### PART B

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<td><strong>B.1</strong></td>
<td>Has your country designated a specific agency(ies) responsible for the SDG process? [Either tick [x] YES or NO]</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td><strong>IF YES</strong>, please type below the name of main responsible agency.</td>
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<td>SDG coordinating agency</td>
<td>Yes</td>
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<td><strong>B.2</strong></td>
<td>Does your country currently have a NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY/PLAN Document which is compatible with the SDG process?</td>
<td>YES</td>
<td>NO</td>
<td><strong>IF YES</strong>, could you please briefly mention about the relevant document?</td>
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<td><strong>B.2.1</strong></td>
<td>Does your country currently committed to the implementation of the below SDGs? [Either tick [x] YES, NO, or DON'T KNOW]</td>
<td>YES</td>
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<td><strong>B.3</strong></td>
<td>What is the total number of staff with the highest education level attained in the below agency(ies) working on the SDG process?</td>
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<td>BA/BSc or equivalent</td>
<td>MA/ MSc and above</td>
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<td><strong>B.4</strong></td>
<td>Does your country have COOPERATION with and/or receive CONSULTATION from regional/international organizations in the below SDGs? [Please click on the relevant SDG to see more details under Annex]</td>
<td>YES</td>
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The original deadline for the completion of the survey was 1 September 2016. Despite the periodical reminders sent and calls made to the OIC member countries, the breakdown of the response rate is as follows as of 31 March 2017.

24 Countries have responded; 8 of them are complete and 16 of them are with incomplete parts.

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Afghanistan, Albania, Azerbaijan, Cameroon, Gambia, Iran, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Pakistan, Palestine, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Sudan, Suriname, Turkey
The response rate for fully completed survey is still low.

Main reasons for the delays in survey submissions:

- Discussions on localising SDGs have started very late in many OIC countries;
- Tardiness in internalising the SDGs in the national development plans, programmes, and projects;
- Lack of coordination and communication among the stakeholders of the national development initiatives;
- Indifference towards the requests of regional and international agencies due to ever increasing workload.
Thank you

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