The Global Indicator Framework

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Outline

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Indicator Framework Mandate

Agenda 2030 (A/Res/70/1) mandate for the global indicator framework:

**Para 75.** The Goals and targets will be followed up and reviewed using a set of global indicators. These will be complemented by indicators at the regional and national levels which will be developed by Member States, ... The global indicator framework, to be developed by the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators, will be agreed by the Statistical Commission ...
The Global Indicator Framework

The Global Indicator Framework for the SDGs was developed by the IAEG-SDGs in an open and transparent manner involving all countries and stakeholders.

- June 2015 - February 2016: IAEG-SDGs developed the initial set of global indicators for submission to UNSC 47 in March 2016.
- March 2016: UNSC 47 agreed, as a practical starting point, with the proposed global indicator framework subject to future technical refinement.
- March 2017: UNSC 48 agreed with the revised global indicator framework which includes refinements on several indicators.
The Global Indicator Framework

- Draft resolution on the global indicator framework, adopted at UNSC 48 to be further adopted by ECOSOC and the GA.
- The global indicators will be yearly refined and comprehensively reviewed by UNSC 51 in 2020 and UNSC 56 in 2025.
- It contains 232 unique indicators, addressing each and every one of the Goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda.
- Indicators are classified into three Tiers
Follow-up and reviews

High-level Political Forum national voluntary presentations

Regional reviews: Key findings and lessons

National SDG reports: key findings and lessons

Financing for Development Forum and Inter-agency Task Force

SDG Global Progress Report

Thematic reviews by major groups, international organizations
Global indicators are for global review and follow-up

Overview Excerpts

- **59 million** children of primary school age were out of school in 2013.

- **1 in 2** children have not been registered by their fifth birthdays in LDCs.

- Over **23,000** species face extinction across the globe.

Yearly Report

Proportion of fish stocks within biologically sustainable levels

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3G mobile-broadband coverage in 2015 worldwide

- **29%** in Rural
- **89%** in Urban

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Global indicators are complemented by national and regional indicators

- SDGs are integrated into national development plans/frameworks ("domestication" of SDGs)

- Decisions on national indicators are driven by national priorities

- National indicators are aligned with global indicators to the extent possible
Data Flow in SDG Reporting

Country Data Lab (UNSD) → NSO → Regional Organizations

CSOs → NSO

Private Sector → NSO

Academia → NSO

International Agencies

Data and Metadata

Adjusted, estimated or modelled data
Data Custodian Agency

An agency is referred to as “custodian” when:

• Existing mandate for global monitoring of the indicator and established data reporting mechanisms from countries; or

• No explicit mandate from its intergovernmental process but has a well established global data reporting mechanism, recognized by Member States.

Responsibilities include:

• Compile internationally comparable data in the different statistical domains;

• Support increased adoption and compliance with internationally agreed standards; and

• Support strengthening national statistical capacity.
Other responsibilities of a data custodian agency include:

- Coordinating on indicator development with national statistical systems, other international agencies and stakeholders.
- Methodological development of indicators, in particular for Tier III.
- Communicating and coordinating with national statistical systems in a transparent manner, including on the validation of estimates and data adjustments when these take place.
Materials related to the work of the IAEG-SDGs can be found on the website of the group:
https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/iaeg-sdgs/

Documents on the website include:
• Terms of reference of the group
• List of member countries
• Tier Classification of the Global Indicators
• Work Plans for Tier III Indicators
• Information on the three working groups of the IAEG-SDGs: SDMX, Geo-spatial information and interlinkages
Goal 1: End poverty in all its forms everywhere

In signing Agenda 2030, governments around the world committed to ending poverty in all its manifestations, including its most extreme forms, over the next 15 years. They resolved that all people, everywhere, should enjoy a basic standard of living. This includes social protection benefits for the poor and most vulnerable and ensuring that people harmed by conflict and natural hazards receive adequate support, including access to basic services.

Poverty was halved over a decade, but one in eight people around the world still lived in extreme poverty in 2012.

The international poverty line is currently defined as $1.90 per person per day using 2011 purchasing power parity. In the decade from 2002 to 2012, the proportion of the global population living below the poverty line dropped by half, from 26 to 13 per cent. If economic growth rates observed during those 10 years prevail for the next 15, the global rate for extreme poverty will likely fall to 4 per cent by 2030, assuming that growth benefits all income groups equally. Poverty remains widespread in sub-Saharan Africa, where more than 40 per cent of people lived on less than $1.90 a day in 2012.
Thank you

SDGs website:
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