

C. Administrative data for disaggregated Sustainable Development Goals indicators in Africa, Asia and the Pacific and Latin America

The project will be implemented by the Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in collaboration with ECA, ECLAC, ESCAP, the Resident Coordinators and country teams (\$624,000)	Relationship to the Sustainable Development Goals: 17.18
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Objective

To strengthen the capacities of national statistical systems of selected countries in Africa, Asia and the Pacific and Latin America to better utilize sources of administrative data for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and for monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals.

Project plan (for 2021–2024)

When good-quality administrative systems are in place and their information is regularly updated, they can reliably provide a full picture of key aspects of a country's population or economy on a continuous basis. Data collected for administrative purposes can be a rich and cost-efficient source for the production of timely official statistics, especially to address the urgent need for disaggregated data on Sustainable Development Goals indicators to ensure no one is left behind in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. However, many countries are struggling with the lack of infrastructure and technical and institutional arrangements for the efficient exchange and processing of administrative data and metadata for the production of official statistics.

The project will support selected countries in addressing the legal and technical challenges to administrative data-sharing and processing. It will support the linkage of administrative data records to make them suitable for the production of official statistics, providing input on technical solutions at the statistics office for securely storing and processing the data received in a sustainable manner. To increase the interest of collaboration, feedback mechanisms will ideally also be established to help improve the quality of registers which are available to the statistics office.

Expected progress towards the attainment of the objective and performance measures

This work is expected to contribute to strengthening the capacities of national statistical systems of selected developing countries to better utilize sources of administrative data for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and for monitoring of the Sustainable Development Goals, which would be demonstrated by participating countries having improved collaboration among government entities, developed proposals for improved legal frameworks and established new processes for data sharing and quality assurance.

<i>Deliverables (2021–2024 plan)</i>	<i>Budget summary (thousands of United States dollars)</i>
Quantified deliverables	Consultants and experts 170.0
B. Generation and transfer of knowledge	Travel of staff 240.0
Seminars, workshops and training events (number of days) 120	Contractual services 40.0
Technical materials (number of materials) 2	General operating expenses 78.0
Non-quantified deliverables	Grants and contributions 96.0
C. Other substantive deliverables	Total 624.0
Consultation, advice and advocacy	
Databases and substantive digital materials	