

Regional initiative: SADC Protocol on Statistics

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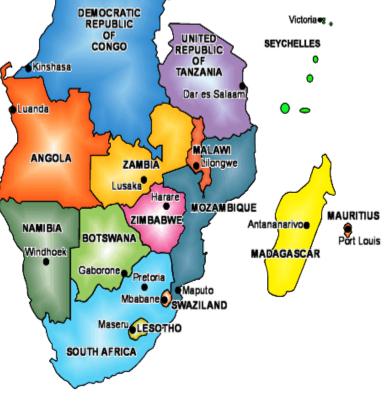
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1. SADC Secretariat overview

SADC Member States



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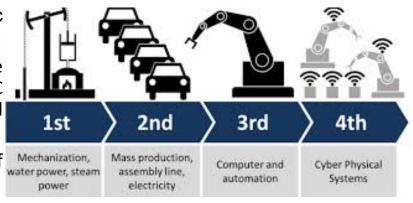


1. 1 Overview of SADC: Brief Background

<u>The SADC Treaty</u>:

- Article 14 defines the functions of the Secretariat to include:
 - strategic planning and management of programmes of SADC
 - monitoring and evaluation of implementation of regional policies and programmes
- Strategy Documents and Policy Level <u>Decisions</u>:
- SADC Vision, Mission and Strategic Priorities are defined in the
 - Revised RISDP and SADC indicative Plan for the Organ, SADC
 Industrialisation Strategy and Roadmap et al
 - Council of ministers & Summit of Heads of State Decisions





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1.2 SADC Pillars: regional priorities

Revised RISDP for 2015 - 2020



Priorities for Revised RISDP 2015- 2020

A. Industrial Development & Market integration B. Infrastructure Support for Regiona Integration

Regional Dimension

Programmes of

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C. Peace and Security Cooperation



2. SADC Statistics Unit

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2.1 How we work

- The main contact is National Statistics Offices
- For specific themes, we send a questionnaire (excel) to Member States
- A online questionnaire/platform to be filled is used for specific subjects (example: agriculture,..)
- We compile information received and use other sources (international)



2.2 Existing database

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2.3 SADC M& E system

- Developed in 2018 and currently being translated into French and Portuguese.
- Tool used to input information by SADC Member States.
- SADC defined a list of indicators which all member states are to report on annually directly into the system.
- System tracks implementation of different member states on each indicator.
- Technical Details of the system
- Web Based
- Built using PHP, MySQL database





2.3 SADC M& E system (Cont'd)

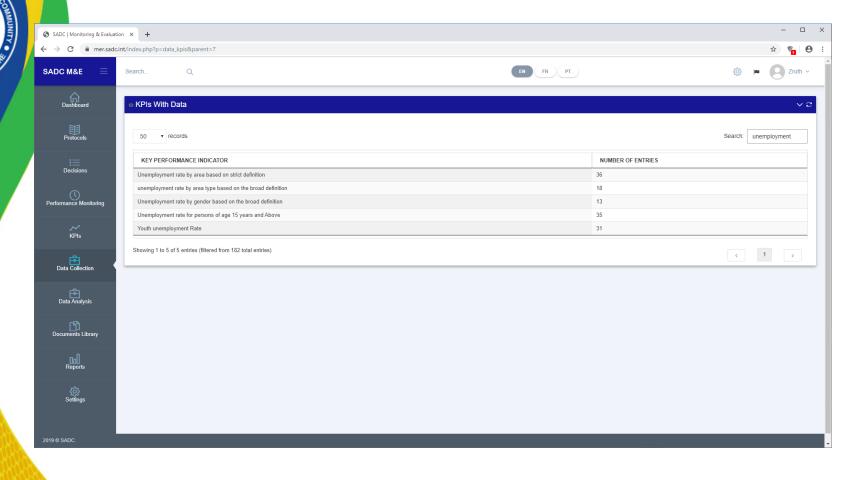
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2.3 SADC M& E system (Cont'd)

Example of indicators in the system

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2.4 Statistics Unit in terms of change

Use ICT innovations for disseminating, archiving, and storage of regional statistics including integrated databases for socio-economic indicators.

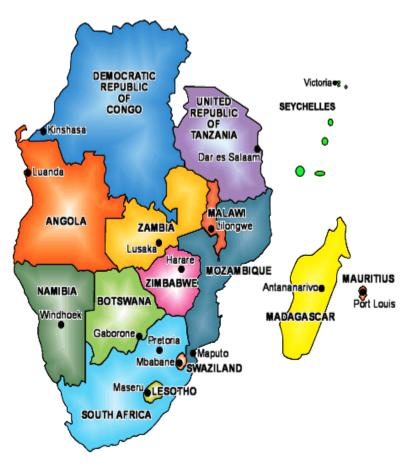
 This will include to: create a regional data storage facility within Secretariat; establish an archive within the system; develop data storage back up mechanisms, procedures for data protection, and relevant data access protocols





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- 3.1 Objectives of the Protocol
- The Protocol is a legal framework
- SADC Statistics Protocols is being developed.
- The Protocol seeks to strengthen harmonization of compilation and dissemination of official statistics in State Parties in order to make them relevant, timely and accurate





3.1 Objectives of the Protocols (Cont'd)

The specific objectives of the Protocol:

- Serving as a policy framework for enabling and enhancing statistical development and innovation in the region;
- Ensuring harmonization of concepts, definitions and methodologies as per international best practices for production and dissemination of national and regional statistics;
- Enhancing cooperation and institutional arrangements between key stakeholders of the National Statistical System on statistical matters;





3.1 Objectives of the Protocols (Cont'd)

- Adhering to the Principles as enshrined in the African Charter of Statistics and the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics for national and regional activities;
- Aligning the goals of National Strategies to Regional, Continental and International Strategies for the development of statistics;
- Providing a framework for enforcing compliance on minimum standards on quality and transmission of statistics in standardized formats;





3.2 Main topics covered in the Protocol

- Data sources:
 - surveys, census,
 - administrative data,
 - big data
- Geospatial information and application tools for data collection, processing, presentation and dissemination





3.2 Main topics covered in the Protocol (Cont'd)

- Data quality assessment (Peer Review Assessment)
- Data transmission: implementation of Statistical Data and Metadata Exchange (SDMX) technology





Thank you!

