

Session 2

Strengthening the institutional and organisational frameworks of national statistical systems

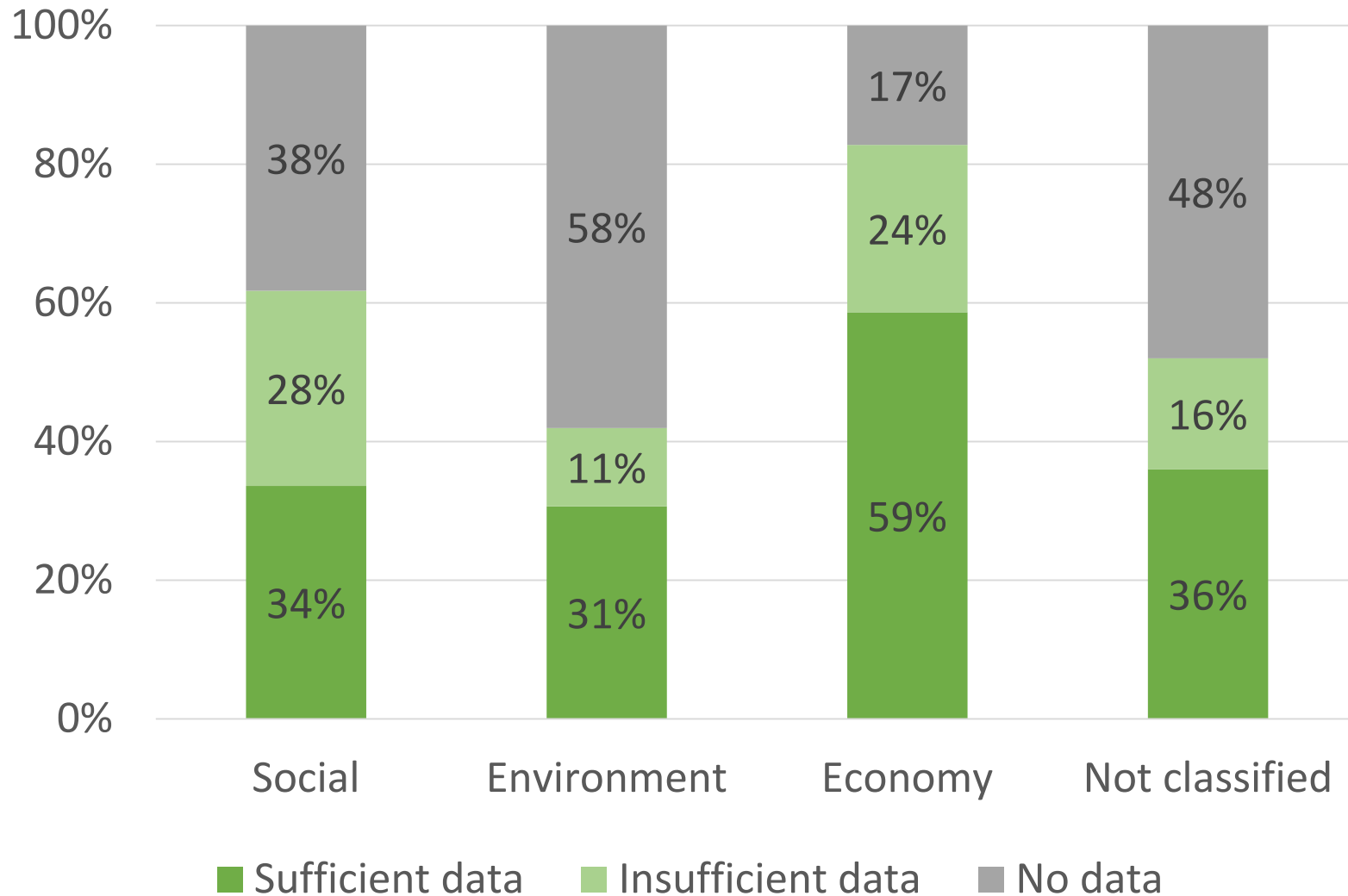
Navigating Policy with Data to Leave No One Behind

Thematic Conference: Managing a statistical organisation in times of change

ADB, Manila, 11-14 February 2020



SDG data availability in Asia-Pacific by development dimension



Economy, SDGs 8, 9, 29 indicators

Social, SDGs 1-5; 10-11; 16, 128 indicators

Environment, SDGs 6,7; 12-15, 62 indicators

Not classified, SDG 17, 25 indicators

Consensus building and standard setting



Declaration: *Navigating Policy with Data to Leave No One Behind*

Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
Committee on Statistics

Sixth session
Bangkok, 16-19 October 2018

Declaration on Navigating Policy with Data to Leave No One Behind

We, the Ministers and representatives of the members and associate members of the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, assembled at the sixth session of the Committee on Statistics, held in Bangkok, from 16 to 19 October 2018:

Advancing official statistics for the 2030 Agenda: a *collective vision and framework for action by the Asia-Pacific statistical community*

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Note by the secretariat**



Advancing official statistics for the 2030 Agenda: a collective vision and framework for action by the Asia-Pacific statistical community

Engaging users and investing in statistics

“ ... by 2030, national statistical systems are enabled and empowered to lead development of and to deliver innovative, trusted and timely products and services for urgently needed and evolving statistical requirements of Agenda 2030.”

Assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics

Integrated statistics for integrated analysis

Modernizing statistical business processes

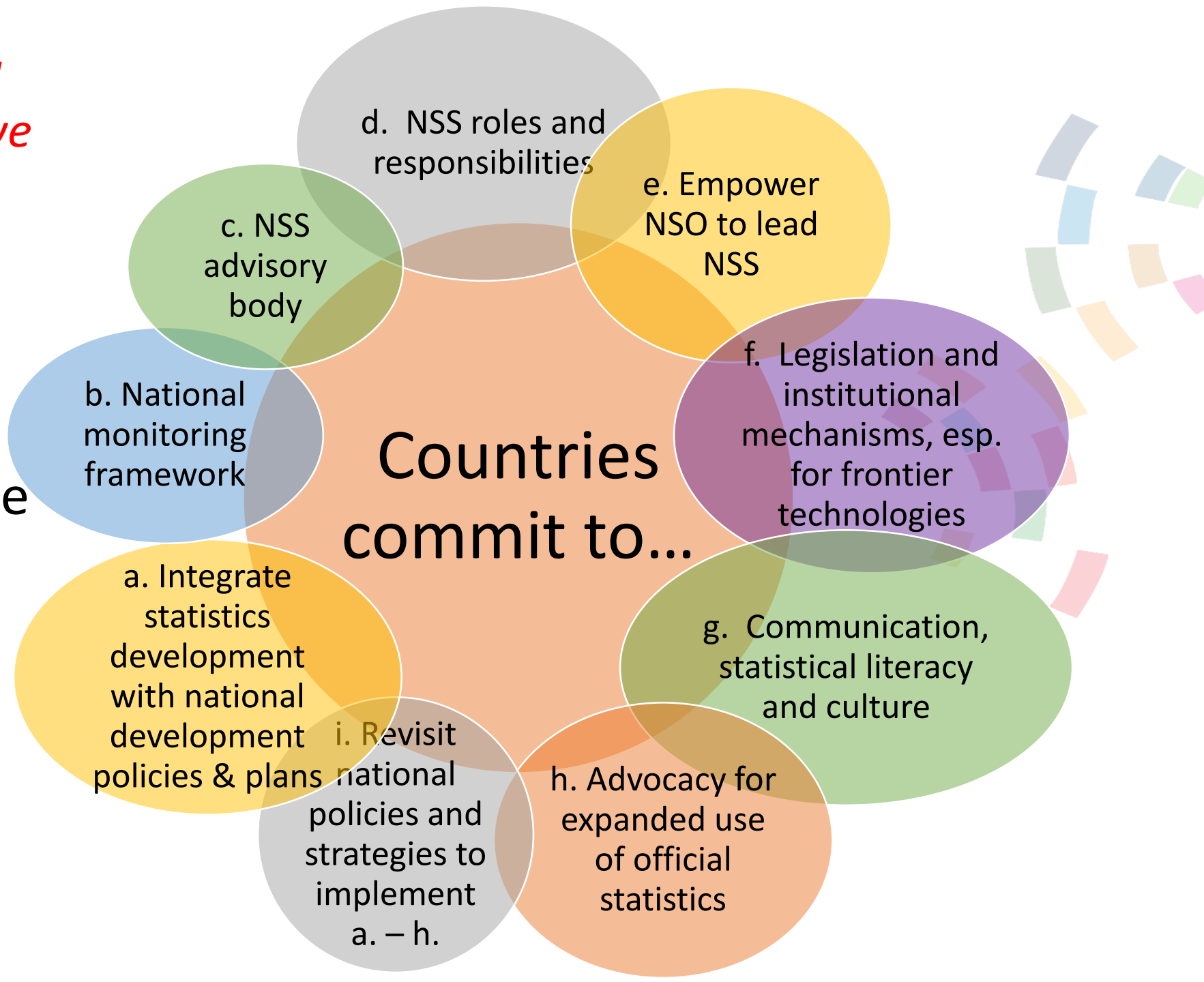
Urgent areas for development

Having requisite skills set

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Agenda 2030 is a
country-led agenda

In Asia-Pacific,
countries have made
nine commitments
including to use
frontier
technologies, big
data, new methods



Statistics and National Development Policies and Plans

a. Integrate statistics development with national development policies & plans

What is the commitment?

Commit to integrate statistics development with national development policies and plans by

- setting targets for improvements to the national statistical systems and statistical activities

to ensure reliable evidence for policy making and evaluation, recognizing a country's special local circumstances

How is ESCAP helping?

Every Policy is connected

- User-producer dialogue
- Systematically analyse a policy document through the lens of data needs, including disaggregation
- Pilots in Samoa, Philippines, Viet Nam, Armenia

Legislation and institutional mechanisms

f. Legislation and institutional mechanisms, esp. for frontier technologies

Commitment

Endeavour to strengthen necessary legislative provisions and institutional mechanisms

- To enable national statistical systems to take full advantage of new, innovative and frontier technologies
- To follow national and, where appropriate, international standards of data exchange and
- To build partnerships with all stakeholders for data sharing

While respecting the Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics

How is ESCAP helping?

Big data use in Asia and the Pacific

- Case study from Australia, Japan and New Zealand on institutional and legislative mechanisms for using scanner data for price statistics
- Symposium on Big Data for Official Statistics in conjunction with ISI World Statistics Congress
- Asia and Pacific say 'yes' to using mobile phone data
 - Lessons from Regional Workshop on Mobile Phone Data use for Human Mobility Statistics, Jakarta Indonesia, 2019

Communication

Commitment

Resolving to improve communication with regard to statistical and to strengthen statistical literacy and culture

- To facilitate accurate and impactful analysis for evidence-based policy making and transparent government in pursuit of achieving the ambition of leaving no one behind

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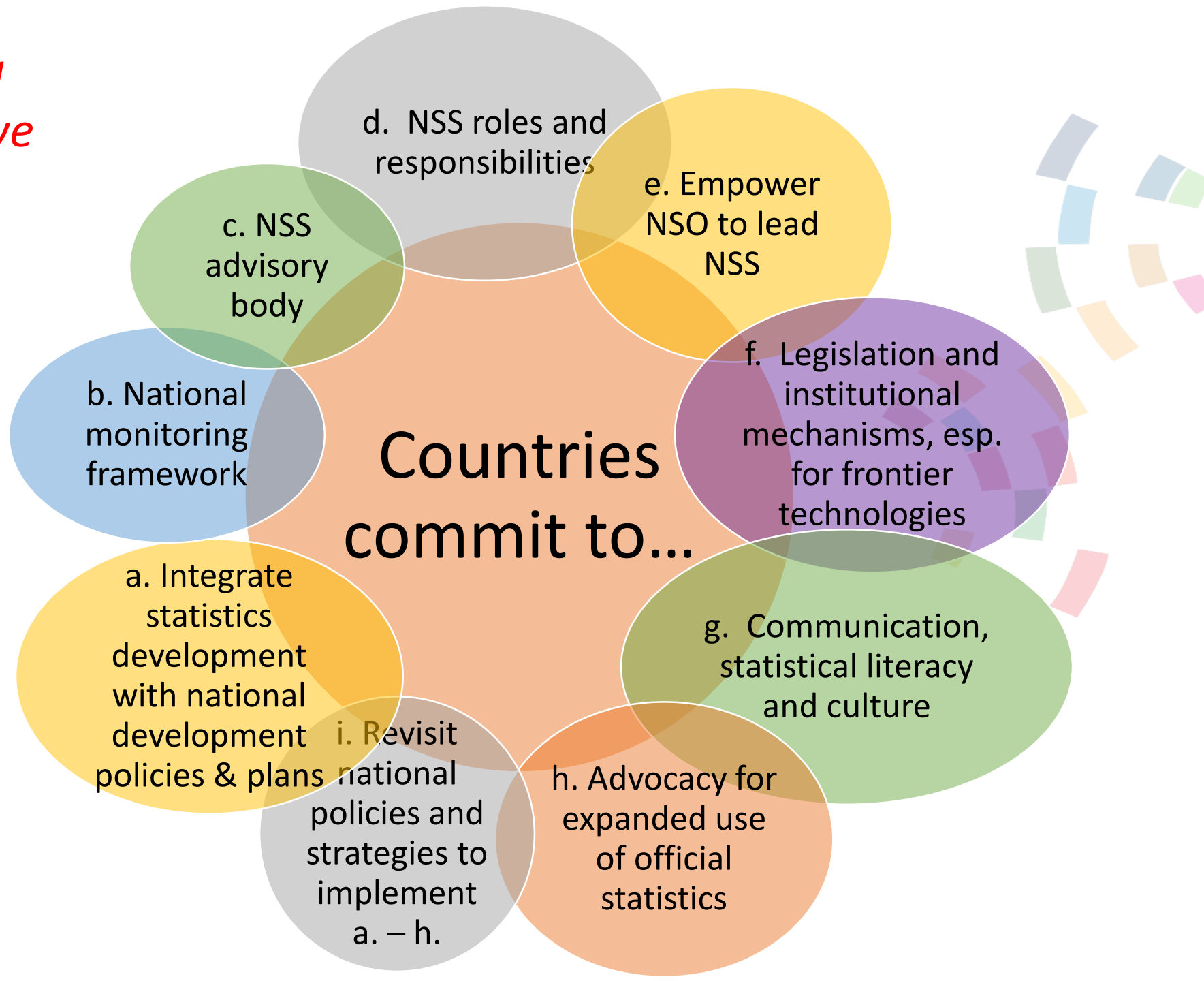
Building skills on data communication, visualization, etc

- Gender communication (ESCAP, UN-Women, SIAP)
- Vital statistic report writing from registration data

g. Communication, statistical literacy and culture

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3rd UN World
Data Forum



The UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development increases the need for **innovation** –including new institutional settings, new data sources, new methods, new partnerships, new conversations

Everyone in national statistical systems need to **work together** – statisticians, geospatial experts, digital community, line ministries, private sector, civil society, lawyers, planning ministries, politicians

Users must be identified up-front and involved throughout

Capacity support must be anchored in and legitimized by **national priorities**

Institutional transformation is as essential as statistical transformation



Thanks.... 😊

