Questionnaire on national adult mortality measurement

Background

The questionnaire is prepared in the context of the upcoming United Nations Expert Group Meeting Innovative methods to measure the impact of COVID-19 on mortality through surveys and censuses, 23-25 August 2023, with the following objectives:
- Foster a better understanding on how adult mortality is measured in your country
- Support the development of a background paper that will be used to facilitate the discussion during the Expert Group Meeting
- Identify areas for which support is needed from the international community

Your contribution is very important to our work in formulating recommendations for national statistical offices to improve adult mortality measurement.

Note: There is no internationally-agreed definition on adult mortality. But in this specific context, please consider adult mortality as mortality of individuals 5 years and older. Older-age mortality (age 50+) is of particular interest to our work as well because of mortality data for this age group is extremely scarce for countries without a complete civil registration and vital statistics system.

1. Information about you
   a. Name of the organization:
   b. Your name:
   c. Your email:
   d. Your title and responsibility in the organization:

2. Regular adult mortality measurement in your country
   a. What are the data sources that can be used to measure adult mortality in your country? (select all that apply)
      □ Death registration
      □ Population censuses
      □ Household surveys
      □ A combination of different data sources
      □ Others, please specify:

   b. If death registration is used to measure adult mortality, please indicate the national-level completeness.
c. What method(s) is used to assess the adult mortality registration completeness?

d. Do you assess the adult mortality registration completeness by key demographic characteristics to understand inequality in registration? If yes please explain how it is done and provide a brief summary on the inequalities.

e. Please list surveys carried out since 2005 that have been used to collect adult mortality data.

3. Adult mortality data collection during COVID-19
Please list all new data collection activities on adult mortality during the COVID-19 pandemic, including new surveys, new questions in existing surveys, additional exploration of administrative records, nontraditional data sources such as geospatial or records from burial site?

4. Data collection on adult mortality post-COVID
   a. Is there a plan to incorporate new data collections such as starting a new survey on mortality, or adding additional mortality questions to regular surveys post-pandemic? If yes please describe briefly the activities.
b. When will the next population census be conducted in your country?

c. Would you be considering modifying or adding new questions on mortality in the next census? If yes please specify what changes are being introduced.

5. What are the challenges that you have on measuring adult mortality?

6. Please kindly let us know how we can support you in improving the availability, quality and timeliness of adult mortality measurement.