

Update on the work of the IAEG-SDGs

Informal Briefing on the Global Indicator Framework for the SDGs

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IAEG-SDGs work before November

An inclusive, open and transparent process:

Meetings:

- First meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, 1-2 June 2015, New York
- Second meeting of the IAEG-SDGs, 26-28 October 2015, Bangkok

Consultations:

- **July – August 2015:** Initial consultation with members and observers.
- **August – September 2015:** Open consultation on indicators proposals

Recent work of the IAEG-SDGs

- **4-7 November 2015:** Open consultation on “green” indicators
- **9-15 December 2015:** Open consultation on “grey” indicators
- **15 Dec 2015:** A report, including an annex with a list of indicators, was submitted as official document for the 47th Session of the UN Statistical Commission.

Global Set of SDG Indicators

- Currently, there are **229** Indicators
 - 149 “green”
 - 80 “grey”
- **Mid-February 2016:** an addendum presenting the full list of global SDG indicators will be made available to the UN Statistical Commission
- **March 2016:** The Statistical Commission will review the proposal and submit it to ECOSOC and GA for adoption

Indicator framework

- **Global indicators** will be the core of all other sets of indicators
- Member States will develop **indicators at regional, national and sub-national levels** to complement the global indicators, taking into account national circumstances.
- **Thematic indicators** are also being developed in a number of areas

Data disaggregation

- Member States have pledged to **leave no one behind**
- IAEG-SDGs is committed to include an **overarching principle of data disaggregation**, to ensure that indicators cover specific population groups and other disaggregation elements specified in the targets.
- Over the coming months IAEG-SDGs will further discuss how to **operationalize data disaggregation** in the implementation of the global indicator set.

Implementation of Global SDG indicator framework

- Secretary-General's mandate:
 - Produce **annual SDG progress report** to support follow-up and review at the High-level Political Forum
- National ownership
 - Data will be produced by **national statistical systems**
 - Information will be aggregated at the **sub-regional, regional and global level**
- Statistical Capacity building
 - **Statistical capacity building** is essential for national statistical systems to meet the demands of the 2030 Agenda
 - IAEG-SDGs and the HLG work closely together to develop strategic plan for statistical capacity building.

Implementation of Global SDG indicator framework

The first important step will be the assessment of the status of the indicators proposed. The indicators will be classified into three tiers:

- **Tier I:** an established methodology exists and data are already widely available;
- **Tier II:** a methodology has been established but for which data are not easily available; and
- **Tier III:** an internationally agreed methodology has not yet been developed.

Work plan of the IAEG-SDGs in 2016

- Define global reporting mechanisms
- Establish a tier system for indicators based on the level of methodological development and data availability
- Review of data availability for Tier I and Tier II indicators
- Work plan for further development of Tier III indicators
- Procedures for methodological review of indicators
- Guidance on data disaggregation
- Continued discussion of interlinkages across targets and goals, and use of multi-purpose indicators
- 2 meetings: March 2016 and Fall of 2016