Coordination of capacity building
The case

Identifying and implementing activities with the highest return.

From statistical side – ensuring the widest impact on the statistical systems as a whole and its ability to respond to the data needs of the 2030 Agenda

From general perspective – better efficiency of projects, economies of scale and minimized duplication of work

Showing the willingness to streamline the work
Three levels of coordination

- **National**
  - Who is participating and who can benefit from capacity building?
  - Are similar activities financed by different donors?

- **Regional**
  - Identifying what countries in the region could benefit from similar capacity building activities

- **Global**
  - Identifying what countries could benefit from similar capacity building activities
  - Database of vetted needs and ongoing projects
Donor coordination

• What activities provide highest returns
• Avoiding over- and/or underfinancing

• How to bridge donor interests and country needs?
Items for consideration

- Could it be of value to follow up on the past coordination initiatives and investigate what has worked? Does anyone have any main lessons learned from this type of analysis?
- Are there any concrete, measurable short-, medium-, and long term coordination activities that can have high benefit, and in consequence, something the HLG can propose to start working on?
- How does coordination at the national, regional and international level overlap?
- What could be the role of the regional commissions, or other regional bodies, such as Asian Development Bank or African Development Bank, in providing more coordinated activities?
- In order to improve coordination, it would be useful to better understand those aspects of coordination that are most appealing to donors. Does the HLG agree that it could be beneficial to have an exchange of views with the donors on what form of coordination they could be interested in (either directly or building up on Bern Network)?
- Is outlining best practices in exchange of information on statistical capacity building with other national authorities a possibility? If so, what are some examples of best practices? How would the HLG go about gathering this information?
- Could cooperation with other stakeholders in the field, such as OECD DAC Committee, CCSA, World Bank and others contribute to better coordination?