

# UNECE statistics for SDGs



# UNECE work on statistics for SDGs

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- Conference of European Statisticians (CES)
  - *Declaration of the role of national statistical offices in measuring and monitoring SDGs (2015)*
  - Launch work on Road Map on statistics for SDGs in 2016
- Steering Group on statistics for SDGs
  - Switzerland and USA (co-Chairs), Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Kyrgyzstan, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Poland, Moldova, Russia, Sweden, Turkey, UK, Eurostat, OECD and UNECE
  - First edition of the Road Map → CES endorsed in June 2017

# CES Road Map on statistics for SDGs



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- Guidance to NSOs on producing statistics for SDGs
  - What needs to be done; Who is to do what; Who are the stakeholders; Opportunities for collaboration
- Target audience:
  - National statistical offices;
  - Other stakeholders involved in implementing SDGs (IOs, policy makers, academia, civil society, private sector and media)
  - Can be used as a communication tool
- Explains issues related to statistics for SDGs, and the role of official statistics
- 6 sections, each section contains recommendations to NSOs and actions for the Steering Group
- 15 case studies
- To be updated to take into account new developments and experience acquired with statistics for SDGs
- (Being) translated into Russian, French and Spanish

# Some recommendations (1)



## 1. Establishing national mechanisms for collaboration

- **NSOs to be national focal points** for statistics for SDGs
- Close collaboration of NSOs and policy makers, including with national focal point for SDG implementation
- Prepare national road maps

## 2. Assessing countries' readiness to provide data on global SDG indicators - NSOs to play a key role:

- identify data providers and data sources for SDG indicators
- identify data and methodological gaps
- consider data disaggregation requirements

# Some recommendations (2)

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### 3. Developing national and sub-national indicators

- NSOs to be proactive and identify national indicators on sustainable development policies, in close cooperation with policymakers

### 4. Providing data on global SDG indicators (data flows)

- NSOs to determine the data flow models at the national level
  - to provide the most transparent and efficient transfer of data from the national to the global level, avoiding duplication and considering the national circumstances
- National Reporting Platforms (NRPs) as one possible mechanism
  - setting up new, or adjusting MDG or sustainability dissemination platform
- The investment in developing the system for SDG indicators from all providers should be of use to the country as a whole

# Some recommendations (3)

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### 5. Capacity building for SDG statistics

- carry out assessment of capacity building needs in the country
  - identify indicators that can be produced in the short, medium and long term
  - take into account disaggregation requirements
- coordination of capacity building in the country
- donors to take into account the national statistical development strategy
- build upon and share existing tools and mechanisms
- strive towards long-term cooperation (twinning projects, institutional cooperation, partnerships)

### 6. Communication of statistics for SDGs

- establish communication strategies for statistics on SDGs, linked to a general SDG communication strategy
- information packages for different users and stakeholders
- assess available resources (financial, human and technical)

# Other activities

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- Expert Meetings on statistics for SDGs
  - 10-12 April 2017 <http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=45249#/>
  - Week of 16 April 2018
- Seminars/Workshops on statistics for SDGs
  - 12-13 April 2017; 21-22 June 2017; 12 October 2017 in Armenia
- Task Force on National Reporting Platforms
  - Description of NRPs, guidance on how to decide which platform to use
- Wiki on statistics for SDGs <https://statswiki.unece.org/display/SFSDG>
- Self-assessment template for countries on availability of global SDG indicators
- Survey on NSOs' strategies and plans related to statistics for SDGs – Dec 2016-Jan 2017, updates on wiki
- Piloting data flows (led by France and Turkey)
- Capability development/capacity building in the context of SDGs

# More information

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- UNECE wiki on statistics for SDGs  
<https://statswiki.unece.org/display/SFSDG>
- UNECE Expert Meeting on statistics for SDGs (10-12 April 2017)  
<http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=45249#/>
- Conference of European Statisticians plenary session (19-21 June 2017): Road Map on statistics for SDGs  
<http://www.unece.org/index.php?id=43851#/>



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**Thank you!**



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