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Efforts on implementing monitoring and reporting on the SDGs in Africa

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Outline

1 - Background

2 - Efforts on implementing, monitoring and reporting on the SDGs in Africa
Africa is implementing both **2030 Agenda** and **Agenda 2063**

- **2030 Agenda** that is *A global framework for “achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions” - economic, social and environmental-in a balanced manner*;

- **Agenda 2063** adopted in 2013 by the African heads of state: *A strategic regional framework for inclusive growth and sustainable development in Africa, and a global strategy to optimize the use of the continent’s resources for the benefit of all Africans. It has a Ten Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063 (2014 -2023)* –

- **Both 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063:** *Reflect the Common African Position* on the Post-2015 Agenda (CAP) as they have been informed by Africa’s development priorities and aspirations contained in the CAP.
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I – Development of an Integrated Regional Indicator Framework for the monitoring and reporting 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063

• Pan-African institutions (AUC, ECA, AfDB) have worked with member States, particularly those member of the IAEG on SDGs on the development of Indicators to measure progress under the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the African Union’s Agenda 2063.

• Based on these indicators, they came up with an integrated monitoring framework for 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063.
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This Regional Consultation on 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063 in Africa was made through the following Approach:

1 - Singular African approach through regional coordination and consultative process
   • A common input to the *global set of SDGs Indicators*
   • A *regional set of indicators*
   • A recommended national set of indicators

2 - Coordination – among three pan-African institutions namely ECA, AUC and AfDB, seven IAEG–SDG member countries and Statistics South Africa as the chair of the Africa Symposium on Statistical Development (Core team)

3 - Consultation – with all African countries - particularly National Statistics Offices, Regional Economic Communities, other UN agencies, Civil Society
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I - Integrated Regional Indicator Framework for the monitoring of 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063

- 63 core indicators
- 61 indicators from SDGs
- 14 Core indicators
- 38 Indicators for regional monitoring and reporting were adopted at the ARFSD (2017)
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II - Africa Report on SDGs and Agenda 2063: This is Prepared in collaboration with AUC, AFDB to:

- **Review progress** towards SDGs and Agenda 2063 in Africa
- **Assesses Level of Adaptation of SDGs and Agenda 2063 into national development plans**
- **Underscore Systems Being Put** in place by African Governments for implementation, monitoring and progress reporting
- **Discuss and report on Data Issues:**
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III - African Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD): Established & institutionalized in 2015, by the Joint Conf of Ministers of ECA & AUC

- The ARFSD is an intergovernmental mechanism convened by ECA, in collaboration with the AUC, the AfDB and other partners and UN Agencies, on an annual basis to:
  
  - Follow up and Review progress towards SDGs and Agenda 2063 in the continent, with a particular focus on the selected SDGs for the HLPF and the corresponding goals of the first 10-year implementation plan of Agenda 2063
  
  - Provide a Platform for National voluntary review at regional level
  
  - Provide a platform for peer learning and share experiences, good practices and lessons learned to accelerate implementation of the two agendas; and
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III - African Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD):

• Deliberates on progress and address challenges and opportunities in the implementation of the two agendas;

• It deliberates and agrees on Africa’s priorities and recommendation in form of key messages as Africa’s Input to the High Level Political forum (HLPF) session.

• It provides the African inputs to annual sessions of the HLPF.

• It involves all stakeholders, including member States, UN Agencies, RECs & pan-African institutions.

• Next ARFSD is planned for 02-04 May 2018.
III - African Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD)

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- Carry out the Regional Follow Up and Review
- Provide platform for Regional Peer Review: Sharing experiences, good practices and lesson learned in the implementation of SDGs and Agenda 2063
- National voluntary review at regional level
- Deliberate on Progress and Address Challenges and Opportunities

Africa SDGs-Agenda 2063 Report is presented
IV - Regional Coordination Mechanisms

• The Regional Coordination Mechanisms is another collaboration platform for the implementation of the continental and global Agenda

• The RCM is a vehicle for getting the General Assembly resolution and support to Africa’s transformative Agenda

• The Report of the RCM feeds into the UN secretary General report

• ECA is responsible for coordinating the UN System support to NEPAD at the regional level.
VI – Capacity Building & Advocacy different areas of Statistics

I - Development of manuals and guidelines: *ECA has developed and is developing training materials, guidelines and handbooks on different areas of SDGs*

- A handbook on how to align national development plan to SDGs
- Online toolkit on gender statistics Manual on how to engender surveys and censuses
- Handbook on the integrated regional indicators of Agenda 2030 and Agenda 2063

II - Training and technical assistance (under DA project): 

- Regional training on the use of internet and electronic devices in population and housing census.
- Regional training workshop on gender equality and women’s empowerment in Africa to improve use of existing data for monitoring
- Regional training on the use of CRVS registration data on measurement of completeness and quality assessment
- Regional Training Workshop on Human Settlement Indicators
- Workshop on sound institutional environment, cooperation, dialogue and partnerships for the production and utilization of SDG indicators

III- Advisory services

IV - Advocacy different areas of Statistics
VII – Revision of the Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa (SHaSA)

➢ The Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa (SHaSA) is being revised to be the backbone for the provision of data on indicators for monitoring the implementation of the SDGs and Agenda 2063.

➢ In this regards, Pan African institutions have aligned the SHaSA with the First 10-Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063 and SDGs.

➢ SHaSA) aims to enable the African Statistical System to generate timely, reliable, and harmonized statistical information, covering all aspects of political, economic, social, and cultural and political dimension in Africa.

➢ Moreover it aims to improve coordination and collaboration between national institutes of statistics, regional and continental organizations, and development partners.
V - AU-UN Framework on Implementation of Agenda 2063 and 2030 Agenda

• The AU-UN Framework on Implementation of Agenda 2063 and 2030 Agenda signed on 27th January 2018 by the chairperson of AUC and the UN Secretary General

• The framework set out conditions for cooperation between AUC and the UN to promote inclusive growth for Africa’s sustainable development and transformation

• The two institutions will undertake joint activities and programmes, in identified thematic areas for collaboration, for the effective implementation, tracking and monitoring and reporting on the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063

• It will help to maximize the comparative advantages and mandates of and synergies between the AUC and the UN for the effective implementation of the reporting of the two agendas
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