Presentation of the new statistical measure
“Total Official Support for Sustainable Development” - TOSSD

IAEG-SDGs, Vienna
April 2018
Outline

• What is TOSSD?

• Work of the Task Force

• Timeline of TOSSD development

• Potential offered by TOSSD to fill some key information gaps in the financing indicators of the SDG framework

• Next steps

• Task Force request for advice
What is TOSSD – Total Official Support for Sustainable Development?

• TOSSD is a statistical measure that includes all officially-supported resource flows to promote sustainable development in developing countries, to support development enablers and to address global challenges at regional or global levels.
  – official bilateral and multilateral institutions;
  – traditional donors and emerging economies (south-south cooperation and triangular co-operation);
  – all instruments (concessional and non concessional);
  – private resources that are mobilised through official means.

➢ A more comprehensive measure of international co-operation than ODA. TOSSD is complementary to ODA.
Work of the Task Force: development of methodology

• **International Task Force** established to follow the call at the Third International Conference on Financing for Development to devise the TOSSD framework in an open, inclusive and transparent manner.

• **Representatives** of traditional and emerging provider and partner countries, from NSOs and development co-operation policy bodies and international organisations.

• **Country pilots** to consult developing countries on TOSSD.

• **Outreach events with broader stakeholder groups:**
  – Side event at the UN Statistical Commission, March 2018.
  – Similar event to come at the Financing for Development Forum, on 24 April 2018.
Timeline of TOSSD development

- A first draft of TOSSD Reporting Instructions has been prepared with details on the scope, definitions and reporting principles.

- The methodology of the first TOSSD pillar – cross-border resource flows – is almost ready.

- The Task Force is expected to conclude its work on TOSSD methodology early 2019.

- This means TOSSD could be available for possible use in SDG monitoring from 2019 or 2020.
Potential offered by TOSSD to fill some key information gaps in the financing indicators of the SDG framework

- Includes resources from both traditional donors and emerging economies, i.e. both north-south and south-south co-operation.
- Captures financial resources mobilised from the private sector through official means (separately identifiable).
- Looks at the sustainability aspects of development co-operation.
- Includes resources provided to developing countries but also to countries in transition.

TOSSD could supplement the information on targets mentioning broad “international co-operation” or “international financial flows” (where current indicators are generally about ODA only, or ODA and other official flows).
Next steps

• Complete definitional work on TOSSD by **early 2019**.

• Collate TOSSD data and assess on a case-by-case basis which targets would benefit by being measured in terms of TOSSD.

• Make proposals to the IAEG to consider TOSSD as an additional (or replacement) indicator for certain specified SDG targets.

• These proposals would be made in time to be considered by the IAEG as part of the revision of the full set of indicators to be presented to the UN Statistical Commission in **March 2020**.
Task Force request for advice from IAEG-SDGs

• What **actions will the Task Force** need to take to ensure that the integration of TOSSD in the indicator framework is considered in due time?
  – Will the IAEG-SDGs establish a **list of targets for which additional indicators might be desirable**?
  – If so, what would be the process for proposing TOSSD for inclusion in that list?

• **The Task Force would be pleased to provide the IAEG members with further information on TOSSD through special sessions:**
  – in the margins of the next IAEG-SDGs meeting?
  – In the margins of the UN Data Forum (Dubai in October 2018)?
Thank you!


Contact us at: julia.benn@oecd.org