Capacity development in the era of the SDGs

NORWEGIAN DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION IN OFFICIAL STATISTICS

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What we do

- Division for International Development Cooperation since 1996
- Funded mainly by the Norwegian Government
- Demand driven cooperation
- Development of National Statistical Systems and national capacity for official statistics in partner countries
- Long term cooperation at country level based on institutional partnership

[Statistisk sentralbyrå Statistics Norway]
Scope: National Statistical System

- Economic statistics & macro-economic modelling
- Social statistics
- Household surveys & living conditions statistics
- Admin data & register based statistical production
- IT and statistical methodology
- Dissemination of Statistics
- HRD and Management
- Quality assurance of statistical production system
- Environmental statistics

Statistisk sentralbyrå
Statistics Norway
Gender Equality for Development

• User - Producer oriented projects involving ministries, government agencies and NSOs

• Cross-institutional coordination in development projects are both a challenge and a booster for institutional understanding
Registers for Development

• Quality registers as a basis for good governance
• Report once → share information
• Development of new core registers that can be used for official statistics
• Partnership on the Norwegian side with the Norwegian Tax Administration, The Norwegian Mapping Authority, The National Coordinating Register for Legal Entities & Statistics Norway
Impact of Access to Sustainable Energy Survey

- Builds on the SE4All Initiative and the World Banks Global MTF Measures
- Surveys in Tanzania and Mozambique in 2020 in collaboration between NBS (TZ), INE (MZ) and SSB (NO)
More mileage from existing data sources

• Using Household Budget Surveys to analyse Food Insecurity
• Data analysis & stakeholder discussions done together with the NSO in the partner country
Key take-aways based on experience

- Top-level **ownership & commitment**
- Strong & clear **request** for support from the partner country
- **Trust** between the partners and **good flow of information**
- Thorough **preparations**
- Changing environments requires **flexible projects**
- **Repetition** gives sustainable learning
  ◦ On-the-job learning is a key tool in our approach
- **User involvement** from the start

The positive circle of development

Increased willingness to allocate resources to statistics

Improved production & processing of statistics

Better dissemination & analysis

More evidence based decisions & discussions

Increased demand for statistics
Thank you!

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