11. Engaging with the IAEG-SDGs

Inter-agency Meeting on Preparation for the 2018 SDG Reports

28 February - 1 March 2018

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Outline

• *IAEG-SDG Work Programme of 2018*
• Agenda of the 7th meeting of the IAEG
• Tier Classification
• 2020 Comprehensive review
• Data Disaggregation
IAEG-SDG Work Programme of 2018

V. Work programme of the Expert Group to be presented to UNSC49

Activities between March 2018 and March 2019:

(a) Continue the review of workplans for tier III indicators and reclassify indicators when requirements are met at the two physical meetings and via Webex meetings throughout the rest of the year based on a calendar to be developed by the group;

(b) Conduct an open consultation and finalize the proposal for additional indicators to be presented as part of the comprehensive review for consideration by the Statistical Commission at its fifty-first session in 2020;

(c) Begin work on the comprehensive review by compiling a preliminary list of possible changes, refinements and deletions to the indicator framework for an open consultation in mid-2019;

(d) Continue the work of the joint subgroup of the IAEG-SDGs and the High-level Group for Partnership, Coordination and Capacity-Building for Statistics for the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development by reviewing data availability and capacity building needs for Tier I and II indicators;
(e) Establish a mechanism for discussion with specialized groups and custodian agencies in relation to the specific data disaggregation dimensions (ex. age, sex, disability, etc.) and finalize document for consideration at 50th session of UNSC in 2019;

(f) Continue the work of the three working groups, on statistical data and metadata exchange (SDMX), geospatial information and interlinkages;

(g) Develop a document on best practices for the data flows between countries and custodian agencies;

(h) Hold two meetings, the first in March 2018 and the second in the fourth quarter of 2018, on dates to be determined, and continue to interact electronically and through teleconferences, as needed.
7th meeting of the IAEG-SDG

• For information:
  ➢ Update on the outcomes of the 49th session of the UN Statistical Commission
  ➢ Update on the work of the three working groups of the IAEG-SDGs: SDMX, Geo-spatial information and interlinkages and the Joint-sub group of the IAEG and HLG
7th meeting of the IAEG-SDG

• For discussion/decision:
  ➢ Review of tier classification of indicators
  ➢ Implementation and best practices of the Guidelines on Data Flows and Global Data Reporting for SDGs
  ➢ Additional indicators as part of the 2020 Comprehensive Review
  ➢ Data Disaggregation
  ➢ Share experiences on implementing monitoring and reporting on SDGs, especially the development and use of National Data Platforms
  ➢ Work plan and next steps
Tier Classification

• As of 1 December 2017, the global indicator framework comprised 93 tier I indicators, 66 tier II indicators and 68 tier III indicators. In addition, there were five indicators classified in multiple tiers, meaning that different components of those indicators were classified in different tiers.

• Significant progress has been made in the methodological development of many tier III indicators since April 2017, when 84 indicators were still being classified as tier III.
Tier Reclassification

- Supporting documents (one month before the meeting)
  (a) a request summary of from one to two pages in length;
  (b) draft metadata;
  (c) a full methodology development narrative (including a list of pilot countries, data and other results emanating from the pilot studies);
  (d) any other relevant material.
Tier Reclassification

• Some Important information needed:
  ➢ The nature of the involvement of the national statistical system and, in particular, national statistical offices in methodology development, and
  ➢ When the methodology had been accepted as an international standard.
2020 Comprehensive review timeline

- **December 2017 to April 2018**, IAEG will review the current list of 37 possible additional indicators for 33 targets to determine which should be included in an open consultation;
- **By end 2018**, an open consultation on the proposed possible additional indicators will be launched;
- **By mid-2019**, IAEG will review indicators and propose changes and possible deletions based on the criteria set out in the IAEG Report to the Statistical Commission (E/CN.3/2017/2, para. 22) and carry out an open consultation;
2020 Comprehensive review timeline

- They could include the addition, deletion, refinement or adjustment of indicators on the basis of the following:
  - Indicator does not map well to the target;
  - Additional indicator(s) is needed to cover all aspects of the target;
  - New data sources are available;
  - Methodological development of tier III indicator has stalled or has not produced expected results;
  - Indicator is not measuring progress towards meeting the target.
2020 Comprehensive review timeline

• **By September 2019**, the IAEG will review the results of the consultations and give preference to those proposals including an established methodology and available data; and

• **By end 2019**, the IAEG will prepare the final proposal for the 2020 review for the consideration of the Commission.
Data Disaggregation

- The IAEG formed a data disaggregation drafting team to develop guidance on data disaggregation.
- The drafting team, which consists of nine country members led by Germany and Ghana.
- The Group developed a document containing a stocktaking analysis of availability of data disaggregation in the global SDG database and an overview of existing and possible standards of disaggregation.
- The Group planned to establish a mechanism for collaboration and consultation with specialized groups and custodian agencies in relation to specific data disaggregation dimensions.
- A background document will be presented to Statistical Commission at its 50th session.
Thank You!