Inter-agency Meeting on Preparation for the 2018 SDG Reports
28 February-1 March 2018
Venue: UN Headquarters (New York), Conference Room 5

Draft Agenda

This meeting will convene the focal points and other involved participants from the international agencies responsible for contributing data and storylines on the SDG indicators presented in the 2018 SDG global reports (Secretary-General and glossy report) and global SDG indicator database. The meeting will review inputs received by the submission deadline (16 February), identify gaps in inputs (both storyline and data) and brainstorm on the content and main messages of storylines to include in the reports. In addition, the meeting will allow an opportunity for agencies and the Secretariat to discuss any technical issues regarding data and data/metadata sharing for the SDG indicators and possible strategies for collaboration and coordination moving forward.

Wednesday, 28 February 2018

10:00 am – 1:00 pm

1. Opening (UNSD)
   Francesca Perucci, Chief, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD

2. Preparation of the Secretary General’s 2018 SDG Progress Reports (UNSD)
   - Mandates, objectives and scope of the 2018 SDG Reports
   - Structure of the reports, statistical annex and timeline
   Yongyi Min, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD

3. Identification of gaps from inputs received for 2018 SDG Progress Reports (UNSD and agencies)
   - Goals 1-5, 8-10, 13-14, 16
   Heather Page, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD

1:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Lunch

3:00 pm – 6:00 pm

4. Identification of gaps and proposed main messages from storylines received for Goals under review at the HLPF (UNSD and agencies)
   - Goals 6-7, 11-12, 15, 17
   Heather Page, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD
5. Discussion on HLPF theme story (Cross-cutting storyline) and Data Story
   - Cross-cutting storyline: “Transformation towards sustainable and resilient societies” (Goals 6, 7, 11, 12, 15, 17) (UNSD and agencies)
     Shaswat Sapkota, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD
   - Data Story (data platforms/exchange) (UNSD and agencies)
     Ian Rutherford, Development Data & Dissemination Section, SSB, UNSD

6. Review of data/metadata inputs for the database (UNSD)
   - Update of database - contents and timeline
     Zin Lin, Development Data & Dissemination Section, SSB, UNSD
   - Data reporting and data processing / SDMX pilot exchange
     Abdulla Gozalov, Development Data & Dissemination Section, SSB, UNSD
   - New global indicator database interface
     Eduardo Belinchon De La Banda, Web Development and Data Visualization Unit, UNSD

7. Guidelines on data flows and global data reporting for SDGs
   Benjamin Rae, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD

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8. Methodological/technical issues related to SDG monitoring
   - Methodological development on SDG indicators (agencies)
     Pietro Gennari, Chief Statistician, FAO
     Robert Ndugwa, Head of Unit, Data and Statistics, UN-Habitat
     Papa Seck, Chief Statistician, UN Women
   
   - Calculating regional aggregates (agencies)
     Steven Kapsos, Head, Data Production and Analysis Unit, ILO
     Ludgarde Coppens, Head of Unit, SDG Data and Information, UN Environment
     Doris Chou, Medical Officer, WHO
     Umar Serajuddin, Senior Economist, World Bank
   
   - Regional Groupings (UNSD and agencies)
     Matthias Reister, Development Data & Dissemination Section, SSB, UNSD

9. Collaborations and efforts to monitor the SDGs
   - National data platforms (UNSD)
     Matthias Reister, Development Data & Dissemination Section, SSB, UNSD
   
   - E-handbook on SDG Indicators (UNSD)
     Shaswat Sapkota, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD
   
   - Federated information system for the SDGs (research project) (UNSD)
     Luis Gonzalez Morales, Web Development and Data Visualization Unit, UNSD
10. Capacity building efforts to monitor the SDGs
   - Capacity building activities (UNSD, All agencies)
     Matthias Reister, Development Data & Dissemination Section, SSB, UNSD
   - Regional work (Regional Commissions)
     Jennifer Park, Statistician, UNECE
     Daniel Taccari, Statistician, UNECLAC
   - Global Network of Institutions for Statistical Training (GIST) (UNSD)
     Shaswat Sapkota, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD
   - Open discussion (All agencies)

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11. Engaging with the IAEG-SDGs (UNSD)
    - Preparations for the 7th IAEG-SDG Meeting
    - Tier reclassification requirement
    - 2020 Comprehensive Review
    - Data disaggregation
      Yongyi Min, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD
      Benjamin Rae, SDG Monitoring Unit, Statistical Services Branch, UNSD
    - Open discussion (All agencies)

12. Plans for future work and other business