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Update on the Global Assessment on SBR

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Background of the Global Assessment

- The United Nations Statistical Commission at its fifty-third session in 2022 endorsed the launching of a regular global assessment on the status of implementation of SBRs in countries and encouraged close coordination with the Wiesbaden Group on Business Registers and other relevant groups (decision 53/119 E/2022/24-E/CN.3/2022/41).
- The global assessment on statistical business registers was developed by the TT-SBR under the UNCEBTS in close collaboration with the Wiesbaden Group.

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Overview of the Global Assessment

- **Objectives:**

  - To monitor the implementation of SBRs at global level

  - To identify priority areas to develop technical assistance programmes and further guidance and training materials

- **Who is the target:** National Statistics Offices, and international agencies who keep a regional/global registers
- **When is the assessment:** Starting from 11th April
- **How:** The global assessment is based on: 1) the Country Progress Report of the Wiesbaden Group, which has been in use for many years before, and 2) the self-assessment questionnaire of the Manual on the Maturity Model for SBRs.
- **What does the result mean:** Providing a complement to the CPR of the Wiesbaden Group on SBR

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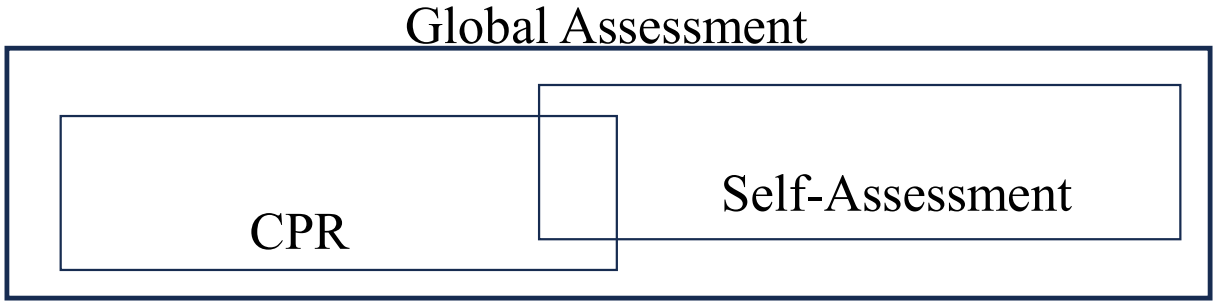
Overview of the Global Assessment Questionnaire

- Global Assessment Questions are made of the combination of CPR and Self-Assessment on Maturity Model questions.
- All questions in CPR and Self-Assessment are covered in Global Assessment questionnaire (Fig1).

* Two General Question (Reporter data and telephone number) in CPR is not included in Global Assessment, but it is not important.

Fig1. Inclusion Relationship of Questions between Global Assessment, CPR, and Self-Assessment



The Overall Structure of Global Assessment Questionnaire

- **Part 1: General Questions**
  - Data of the SBR manager
  - Organization and Employees of SBR
- **Part 2: Assessment Questions regarding Dimensions of the Maturity Model for SBRs**
- **Part 3: Detailed Questions**
  - Progress and Developments
  - Future Plans
  - Main Challenges

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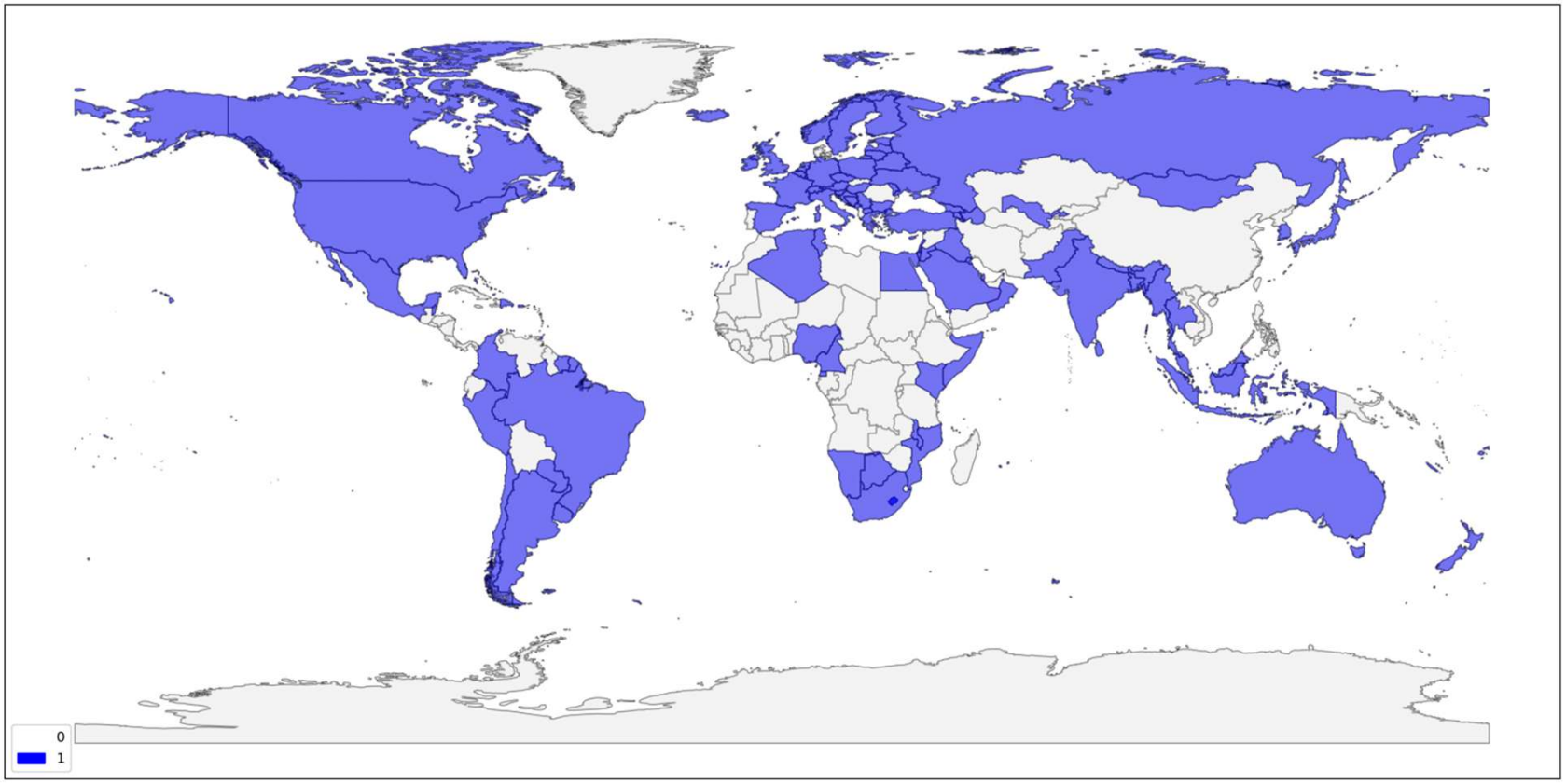
Update of Global Assessment

- Received 104 responses (ref. 60 responses for CPR in 2023 Wiesbaden Group Meeting)

Table1. Number of responses by area

Area	Number of responses
Africa	16
Americas	17
Asia	31
Europe	35
Oceania	5

Fig2. Geographical Distribution of Responses



* The boundaries and names shown and the designations used on this map do not imply official endorsement or acceptance by the United Nations.

Data Source:
- Shapefile: UN GeoHub
- Country or area code: UNSD — Methodology

Update of Global Assessment (continued)

Initial findings - Progress and Development in 2024

- Countries or jurisdictions made progress and development in the SBR development
- Top 3 dimensions (Fig.3)
  - Dimension 3 Maintenance and update of the SBR“
  - Dimension 2 Data sources for the SBR" in 2024.
  - Dimension 6 IT Environment

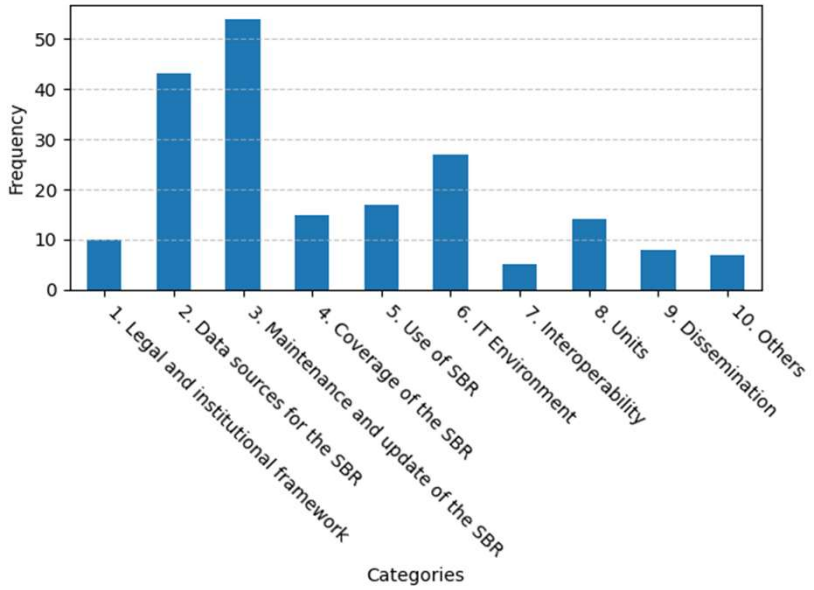


Fig3. Progress and Development in 2024
Question: Please list main achievements or problems you have tackled in 2024 (maximum 3).
Also, please classify your answers according to the categories in each drop-down list.

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Future Plans in 2025 – Top 3 dimensions

- Dimension 3 Maintenance and update of the SBR
- Dimension 6 IT Environment
- Dimension 2 Data sources for the SBR" in 2024.

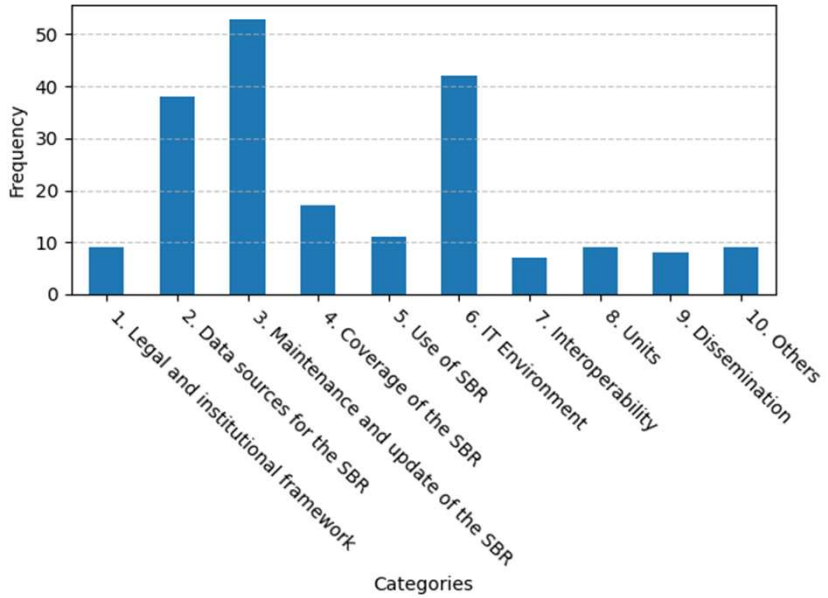

Fig4. Future Plans in 2025
Question: Please list issues/projects (maximum 3) which you plan to tackle in 2025 onwards. Please classify them according to the categories in the drop-down list.

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Main Challenges (Top 3 dimensions)

- Dimension 2 Data sources for the SBR" in 2024.
- Dimension 6 IT Environment
- Dimension 3 Maintenance and update of the SBR

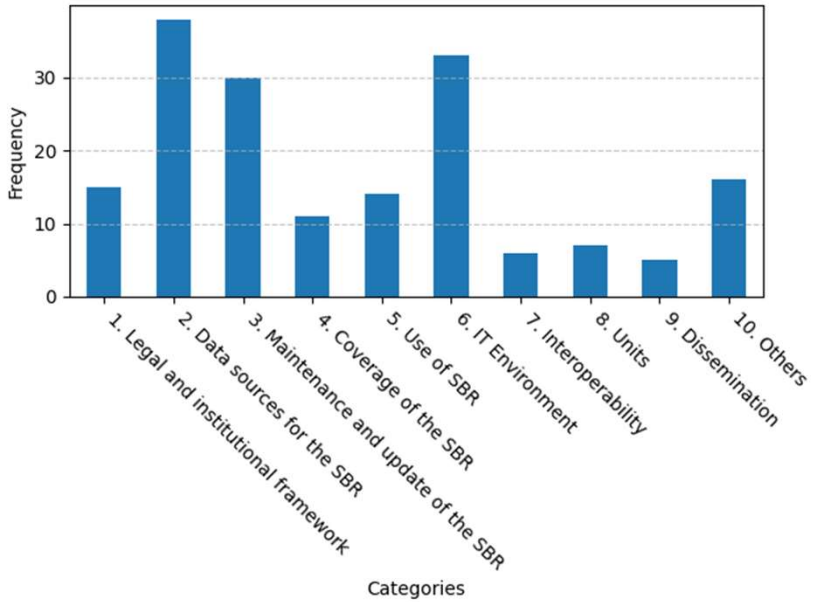

Fig5. Main Challenges
Question: Please list main challenges (maximum 3) with respect to development, maintenance and use of your statistical business register. Please classify them according to categories in the drop-down list.

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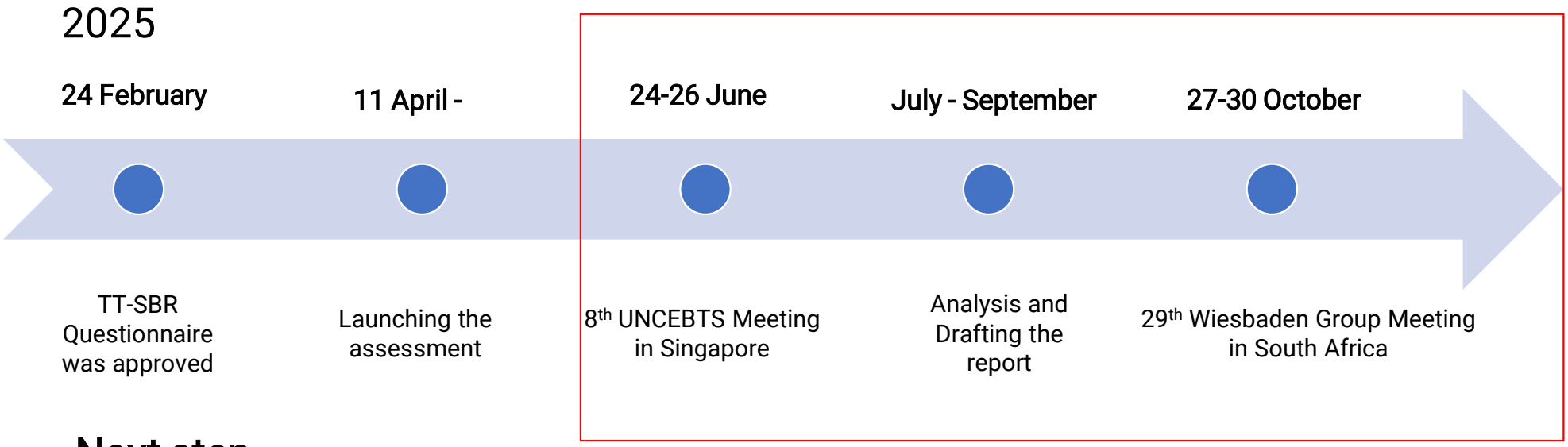
Timeline for 2025 and next step



Next step

- Follow up with non-responding countries (Asia and Africa)
- Detailed analysis of result, followed by presentation of the final results at the Wiesbaden Group meeting

Thank you!

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