TT on Exhaustive Business Register and Capacity Building

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To develop and examine the best ways to reduce the gap towards ensuring that **there is no one behind**

In details:

The task team aims to integrate their related efforts in conducting assessments, developing guidelines or training materials in addition to the international agencies' efforts in development and implementation of sound methodologies and good practices in national statistical offices for the establishment, maintenance and improvement of the SBR.

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Developing guidance for the Statistical Business Registers to become:

more inclusive and exhaustive in a rapidly changing economy; and

better tailored to statistical production

Main measurement challenges

- There is no standard situation in all countries, as there are different resources, concepts and classification, legislations, human capacities, awareness to modernize the statistics and cooperation, languages....etc;

- All those discrepancies will lead to find common tools to be adapted with all different situations.

- The needs assessment and the best practices in developing or fragile countries may help to find innovative tools

The progress of joint work done by the two task teams

- the main progress focused on maturity model and the questionnaire as **An assessment of the current situation of countries with regard to the SBRs implementation**

- The TT is now finalizing the questionnaire

- organizing a pilot survey to test the questionnaire,

- revising the maturity model,

- linking training material to the stages of maturity of SBR,

- Developing an online tool for using the self assessment questionnaire and linking training material to the stages of maturity of SBR,

- and overseeing the e-learning course on SBR which is being developed by SIAP, ADB and UNSD.

- The TTs is also exploring the feasibility of bringing forward an **initiative** on **unique identifier** as a system approach to SBRs to help countries set up a registration system for business and establish, when not available, unique identifiers building in GLEIF.

Description of timing and deliverables

To achieve the main goal of the task teams within the coming period, the following preliminary work plan is proposed

A. An assessment of the current situation of countries with regard to the SBRs implementation, this assessment will include the following activities:

- Conduct a global assessment on the status of implementation process on SBRs in countries. This will be based also on the review of available assessments of countries progress reports, such as those done by the Wiesbaden Group for 53 countries in 2016 and 2018, and multilateral bank reports on SBR.

- The assessment will focus on the following aspects:
  - ❖ Organization, usage of the Statistical Business Register
  - ❖ Progress made and developments in the past year
  - ❖ Future plans, if any
  - ❖ Main challenges
  - ❖ Using quality assurance framework
  - ❖ Raising awareness of using SBR and its importance
  - ❖ Analysis of capacity building needs.

  This phase **will produce a guideline/manual and comprehensive report** that covers all the countries in terms of SBR implementation with specific classification for all countries according to the several criteria including the available legislations, awareness of SBR importance, available administrative records that can be used in producing business statistics, qualified human resources and the gap between countries

B. Identifying priority areas for capacity building based on the assessment

- The **comprehensive assessment and its classification of the countries, will support the task team to identify the priority areas** for capacity building;

- **Selecting some countries from different cases to be as a pilot phase** through visiting them, subject to availability of funds, and assessing their priorities for capacity building according to their situation. The following activities will be included to be able to classify the priorities:

- **Analyzing the results**, and identifying the common needs for capacity building.

C. Identifying available tools (IT, training material, e-learning … etc.) and making them available.

- **Selecting some countries to be part of a pilot phase to develop case studies practically**. This pilot will focus on some countries that they have **different situations** to implement some training activities to build their capacities within one year to be a basis for developing the training tools and materials in cooperation with other international institutions. The results of the pilot will provide some of relative training models and technical assistance ToRs that take care of developing and fragile countries.
- The following activities will be included in the work plan to strengthen the final outputs of the task team:
  - ❖ Selecting some countries with different cases,
  - ❖ Developing a plan for covering the gap in their knowledge
  - ❖ Designing some e-learning, technical assistance missions, training courses, and other activities within one year,
  - ❖ The output of those activities such as: reports, training materials, plans, evaluation report…etc, will be as reference materials and tools to be distributed among the rest countries.
  - ❖ Developing new concepts, classifications, methodologies to be suitable for all countries that they are still under construction of SBR

- consultation of the Wiesbaden Group in September 2021
- A comprehensive assessment for all countries on the SBR implementation, end of 2022

- A list of priorities for capacity building by each pilot country, 1st quarter of 2022

- Case studies of some countries that apply the capacity building, mid of 2022

- A strategy to promote the benefits of SBR that can be used as advocacy in countries, mid of 2022

- Quality assurance framework with regard to the SBR to be used by countries for self assessments, end of 2020

Deliverables and Timing 1

End of 2021:
A comprehensive assessment for all countries on the SBR implementation by using a maturity model for SBR

1st quarter of 2022
A list of priorities for capacity building by each pilot country,

June, 2022
Case studies of some countries that apply the capacity building,

2022
A strategy to promote the benefits of SBR that can be used as advocacy in countries,

End of 2022
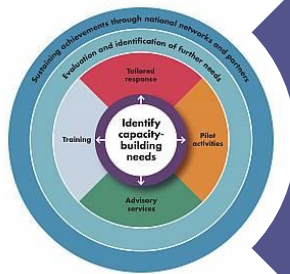Collect and develop Capacity building materials and tools,

end of 2022
Quality assurance framework with regard to the SBR to be used by countries for self assessments,

Deliverables and Timing (continuous) 2

Contribute to the preparation of e-learning course

Contribute to the UNSD work on Global Group Register,

Contribute / develop guidance on UNSD work on Improving statistical business registers in the production of economic statistics through the promotion of a global unique identifier,

Deliverables and Timing (underdiscussion) 3

The development of guidance on the integration of geospatial information in the statistical business registers building on country experiences,

Develop guidance how to preserve confidentiality in the sharing of data on MNEs based upon country best practices

The use of big data for SBR (collection of experiences, development of best practices and principles for webscraping)

Micro data linking

Integration of SBR and trade registers

Develop guidance on the construction of statistical units (also including the links of national SBRs to global registers, and review of the legal considerations that allow the sharing of selected information from national SBRs)

Collaboration

We look forward to collaborate with relevant working groups and experts to achieve our goal

THANKS

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