

7th Global Forum on Gender Statistics

ECA Recent initiatives on gender statistics - filling the gender data gaps

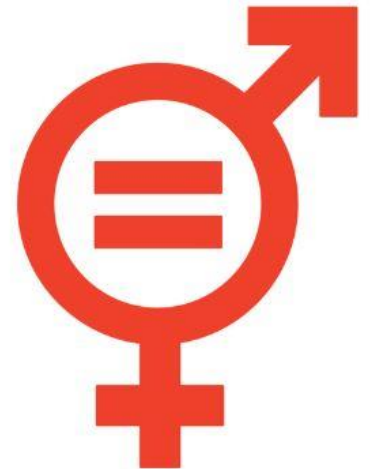


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Context

Africa Programme on gender statistics

Gender Statistics at ECA are implemented within the framework of the ***African Programme on Gender Statistics (APGS)***

Purpose of APGS: The main objective of the APGS is to:

- **Increase the availability** of **quality, timely and comparable** gender statistics at the national, regional and international levels in Africa
- **Bring all efforts aiming** to improve gender statistics in Africa under one umbrella programme (As these Efforts in Africa were **disjointed, project based, ad-hoc** & did not bring about sustainable improvement
- **Make best use of scarce resources**, as Many agencies and stakeholders undertaking same or similar activities



Africa Programme on gender statistics

- ❖ **Phase 1 (2012 -2016):** adopted by the Statistical Commission (**StatCom**) for Africa held in January 2012

The StatCom has requested the Africa Group on Gender Statistics (AGGES) to:

- » Coordinate its implementation
- » Report on the progress of implementation of APGS in each of its sessions
- » ECA is the Secretariat for both the AGGES and the APGS

- ❖ **Phase 2 (2017 -2021):** aligned to SDGs data and methodological issues requirement



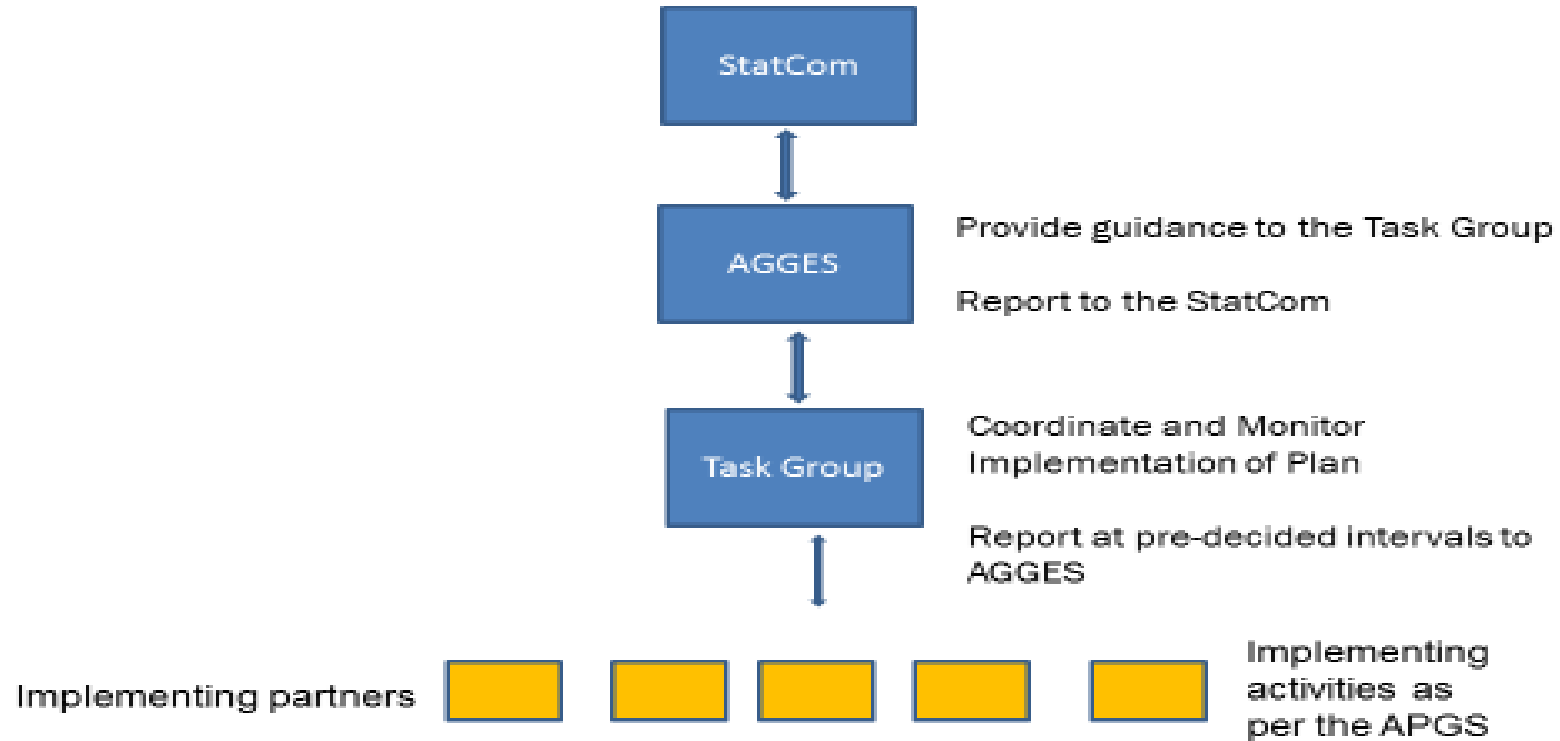
APGS Strategy

A set of strategies are identified for achieving the objective of APGS. These include:

1. ***Regional partnership and coordination***
2. ***Capacity building and research***
3. ***Reporting and dissemination*** of **GS** at the country and regional levels
4. ***Advocacy***

APGS Implementation mechanism

Implementation mechanism

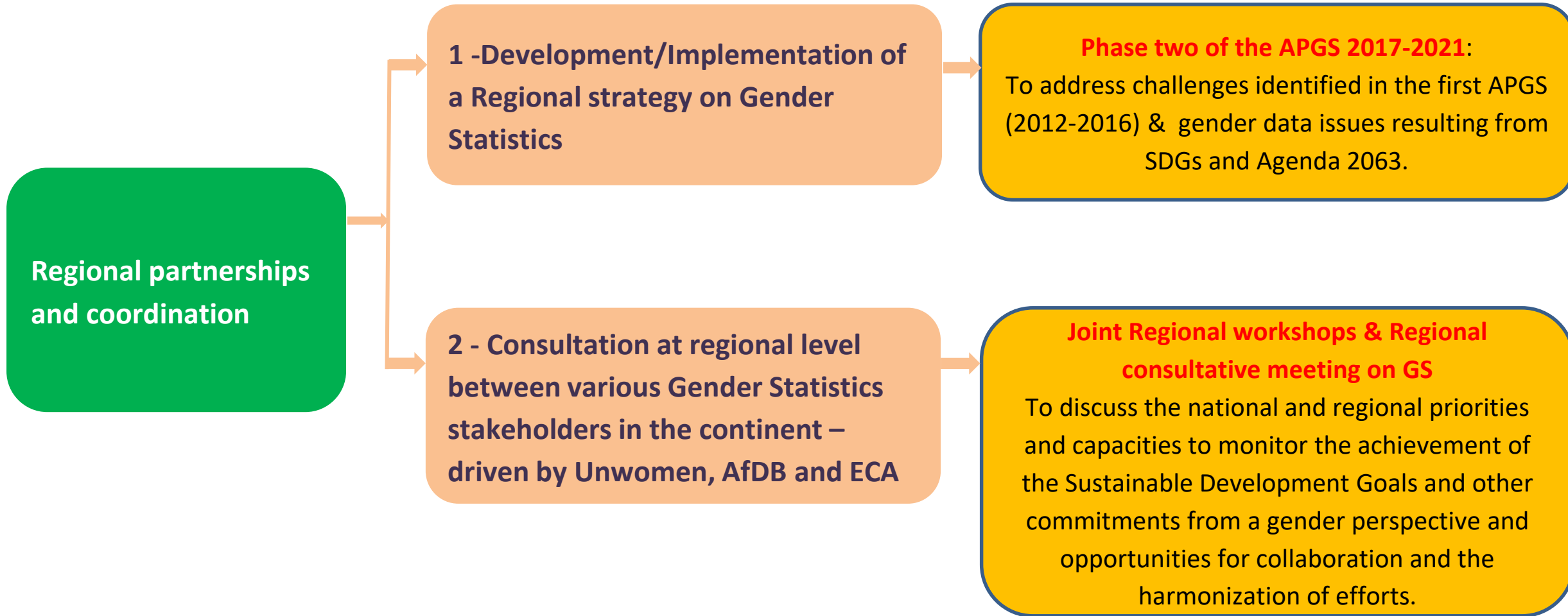




APGS Implementing Partners

Regional Institutions	UN Agencies	Other Institutions
UNECA	UN Women	RECs
AfDB	UNDP	Statistical Training Centres
AUC	UNFPA	Others.....
AFRISTAT	UNICEF	
	WHO	
	World Bank	
	OECD	
	Others.....	

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ECA initiatives on GS

Capacity building and research

1. Development of training materials

2. Training on various aspect of gender statistics

3. Technical support to member states

Online training toolkit on GS: <http://uneca.unssc.org/>

- Promote continued capacity-building & learning on SG
- Enhance knowledge of users on production and use of GS

The Joint Africa index on gender equality: ECA and AfDB are working on producing a Joint Africa index on gender equality.

1 - Regional workshop on GS in Kampala in September 2017, to improve the use of existing data for monitoring gender equality and women's empowerment in Africa. (DA Project)

2 - A regional workshop on methodology of the indicator on women's representation in local government (SDG 5.5.1b) ,(With UNWomen)

3 – The Joint AfDB-UN Women-ECA Regional Workshop on Gender Statistics held in November 2017 in Dakar, to discuss the national and regional priorities and capacities to monitor the SDGs and other commitments from a gender perspective, as well as opportunities for collaboration and harmonization of efforts.

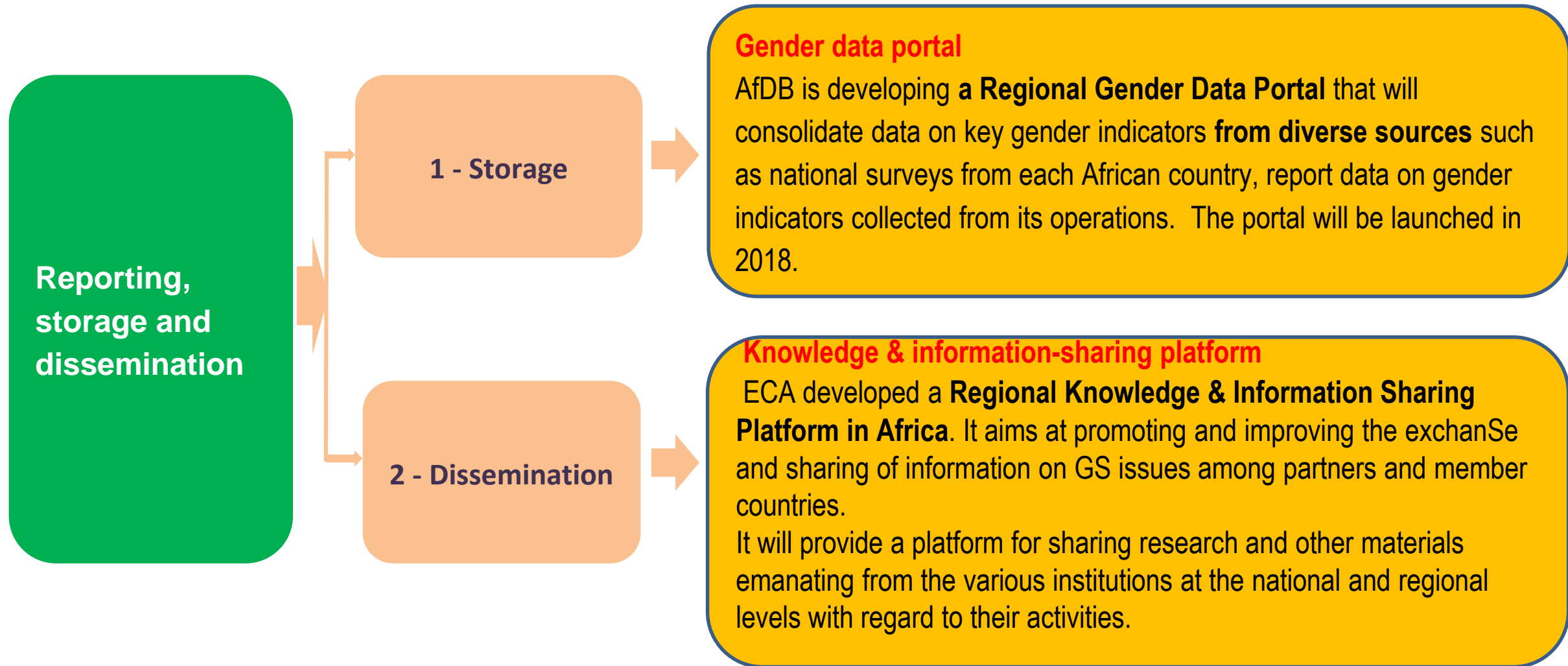
4 - Regional Consultative Meeting on Gender Statistics in Dakar in May 2018: (UNWomen/ ADB/ECA) to **agree on activities and the modalities of collaboration between** agencies in order to better support the **implementation of GS programmes & activities** , including APGS and MEWGC & **improve GS regional level.**

5 – A Series of Regional Meeting/Workshop on GS, 24-28 Sept. 2018, Abidjan, to enhance capacity of member states in the areas (in part. UNWomen & AfDB)

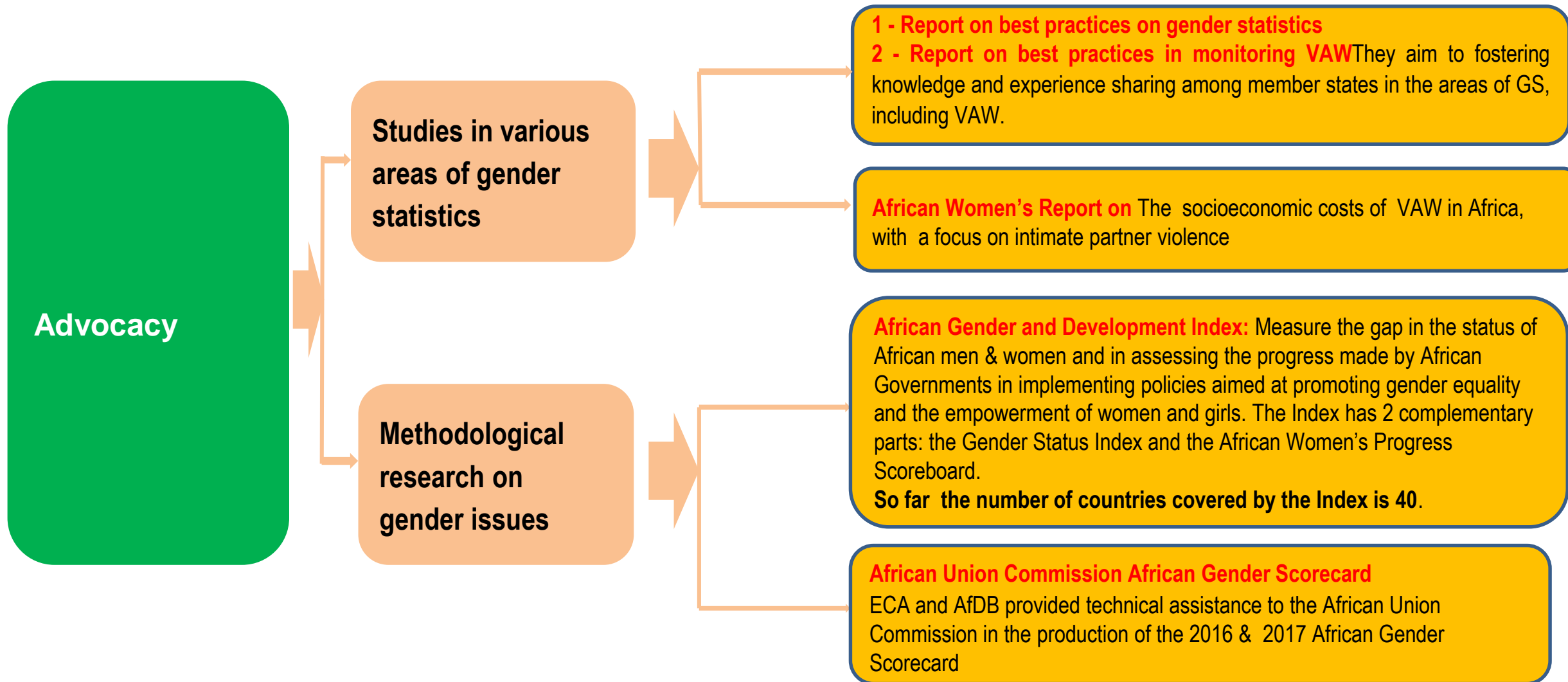
National training workshop with producers and users of GS(Uganda, Burkina, Zimbabwe & Egypt)

Advisory mission on VAW & TUS (Zimbabwe)

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Next step: Project on Gender Data Network

This project aims to Establish a **Network of Gender Data Focal Points** in **selected African countries**. **(Data2X in partnership with ECA for 2 years)**

Objectives:

- To Create a **Network of Technically Gender Data Focal Points** that can have **immediate positive impact on the work of their organizations;**
- To provide them with the tools to make rigorous **arguments for the production and use** of gender data; and
- To raise their profile and the profile of **gender data** as a whole.



Project on Gender Data Network

To Achieve objectives: The Network will Work with producers & users of GS to:

- **Identify priorities and to guide the improvement** of gender data in the priority areas through peer-to-peer learning, technical assistance, and training.
- **Identify/Understand challenges** that gender data focal points are facing in relation to production or use of gender data in these areas, including advocating for appropriate solutions, for example for training that meets the needs of data producers and users.
- **Explore innovative solutions** to address these challenges;

Project Outputs

- **Meeting of the Network** to identify common challenges and discuss possible solutions.
- **Produce a strategic report** summarizing the main challenges faced by Network members and the intended activities of the network to meet challenges.
- **Meeting** every six months will be held to Explore Innovative Solutions to Identified Challenges
- **Training, technical assistance, or peer-learning** structured around the needs of Network members as identified in the strategic report).
- **Establish a Central Online Platform** embedded in Regional Knowledge & Information Sharing Platform.
- **Advocacy/sensitization** through Outreach to appropriate country stakeholders (Head of the NSOs & Ministers/Directors of Ministries) & reporting through StatCom-Africa or other regional meetings).



Countries covered (15)

**Botswana,
Cote d'Ivoire,
Ethiopia,
Ghana,
Kenya,
Lesotho,
Malawi,
Nigeria,**

**Rwanda,
Senegal,
South Africa,
Tanzania,
Uganda,
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