Trafficking in Persons Statistics in Africa

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Introduction

- ❖ Trafficking in persons remains a wide-spread phenomenon in Africa.
- ❖ In recent times, the African Union developed continent-wide policies to combat this scourge, giving the increasing number of victims of trafficking in persons.
- ❖ To implement and assess effectiveness and efficiency of these various policies / programs aimed at countering trafficking in Persons in Africa, it has become imperative for the African continent to have national, regional and continental data on trafficking in Persons which includes data on victims and traffickers.
- ❖ Data produced on trafficking in Persons in Africa should also be harmonized, forming part of the implementation of the Second Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa (SHaSA 2).





Strategic Themes of SHaSA 2

To produce quality, comparable and timely statistical information in support of policy and decision-making, covering development and integration (political, economic, environment, social and cultural)

2017-2026 To Inculcate a culture of quality decision-making To Produce quality
statistics for Africa To build sustainable institutional Capacity of the ASS To Coordinate the Production of Quality Production of Quality Production of Statistics for Africa oadmap

Data Capacity/Capability Landscape in Africa

Opportunities

- Availability of administrative of data on trafficking in Persons;
- ❖ Existence of <u>Data Coordination Sub-Committee</u> within the National Committee in charge of combatting trafficking in persons.

Challenges

- ❖ Issue of coordination of the main actors involved of the data collection on Trafficking in persons at national level;
- Lack of harmonized nomenclature for the data collection on trafficking in persons;
- Lack of IT System in the Institutions/Organizations.





Tools for the Data Collection on Trafficking in Persons Statistics;

- ❖ Table 1.A: Total number of court judgments (including convictions and acquittals) on trafficking in persons
- Table 1.B: Total number of cases of trafficking in persons for which prosecution was commenced
- **❖** Table 1.C: Total number of cases of trafficking in persons investigated
- **❖** Table 2.A: Perpetrators convicted of trafficking in persons
- **❖** Table 2.B: Suspected perpetrators against whom prosecution was commenced for trafficking in persons
- **❖** Table 2.C: Perpetrators suspected but not yet prosecuted for trafficking in persons and related offences
- Table 3.A: Victims of trafficking in persons (confirmed)
- Table 3.B: Victims of trafficking in persons for whom a formal identification process is underway
- * Table 3.C: Victims of trafficking in persons for whom no formal identification process is underway





STATAFRIC Experience on data collection on Trafficking in Persons

- ❖ Technical Assistance has been provided to African Countries for the production of trafficking in Persons Statistics
- Provide a set of questions on trafficking in Persons to African Union Member States for Households Surveys and Population and Housing Census
- Strengthen the National Coordination Team on Trafficking in Persons Statistics
- Piloted in the Horn of Africa region production of the first statistical report on trafficking in persons
- Collaboration with key technical partners IOM, UNODC





Rolling out data tools - Regional Report on Trafficking in Persons Statistics: Case of ECOWAS

- ❖ Data of Trafficking in Persons Statistics have been collected from 15 AU Member States of ECOWAS
- ❖ Draft report to be produced with the support of Consultant
- * Report validation and launch





Continental Report on Trafficking in Persons Statistics: Case of African Union

- Data collection from 55 African Union Member Statistics with tools on Trafficking in persons
- Workshop to validate Data on Trafficking in Persons from the 55 African Union Member Statistics
- ❖ Production and launching of the 1st African Report on Trafficking in Persons Statistics





Conclusion

❖ STATAFRIC will continue to support the African Union Member States on the production of Data on Trafficking in persons together with its partners - IOM and UNODC

STATAFRIC is working towards establishing a <u>continental database on trafficking in persons</u>





Thank you for your kind attention



