



Implementation of the FDES: National Action Plans for Environment Statistics

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Why needed? Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals

- Cape Town Global Action Plan launched 15 January 2017 at UN World Data Forum 2017
- Provides framework for developing statistical capacity to achieve 2030 Agenda of the Sustainable Development Goals
- Key Objectives: sectoral planning, coordination, strengthening basic statistics



Cape Town Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data

Role of National Statistical Programmes

Strategic Area 1: Coordination and strategic leadership on data for sustainable development

Objective 1.1: Strengthen national statistical systems and the coordination role of national statistical offices

Key Actions include:

- Needs assessment of national statistical capacities
- Integrate data production and dissemination into national strategies for the development of statistics (NSDS) and national and sector development plans

Objective 1.2: Strengthen coordination among national statistical systems and regional and international organizations active in the production of data and statistics for sustainable development

Key Actions include:

- Improve the coordination mechanism for collecting, sharing, and communicating sustainable development statistics



Cape Town Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data

Strategic Area 3: Strengthening of basic statistical activities and programmes, with particular focus on addressing the monitoring needs of the 2030 Agenda

Objective 3.6: Strengthen and expand data on domains that are currently not well developed within the scope of official statistics

Key Actions include :

- Promote the implementation of the Framework for the Development of Environment Statistical (FDES 2013).
- Build and/or strengthen **partnerships** between national statistical offices and line ministries.

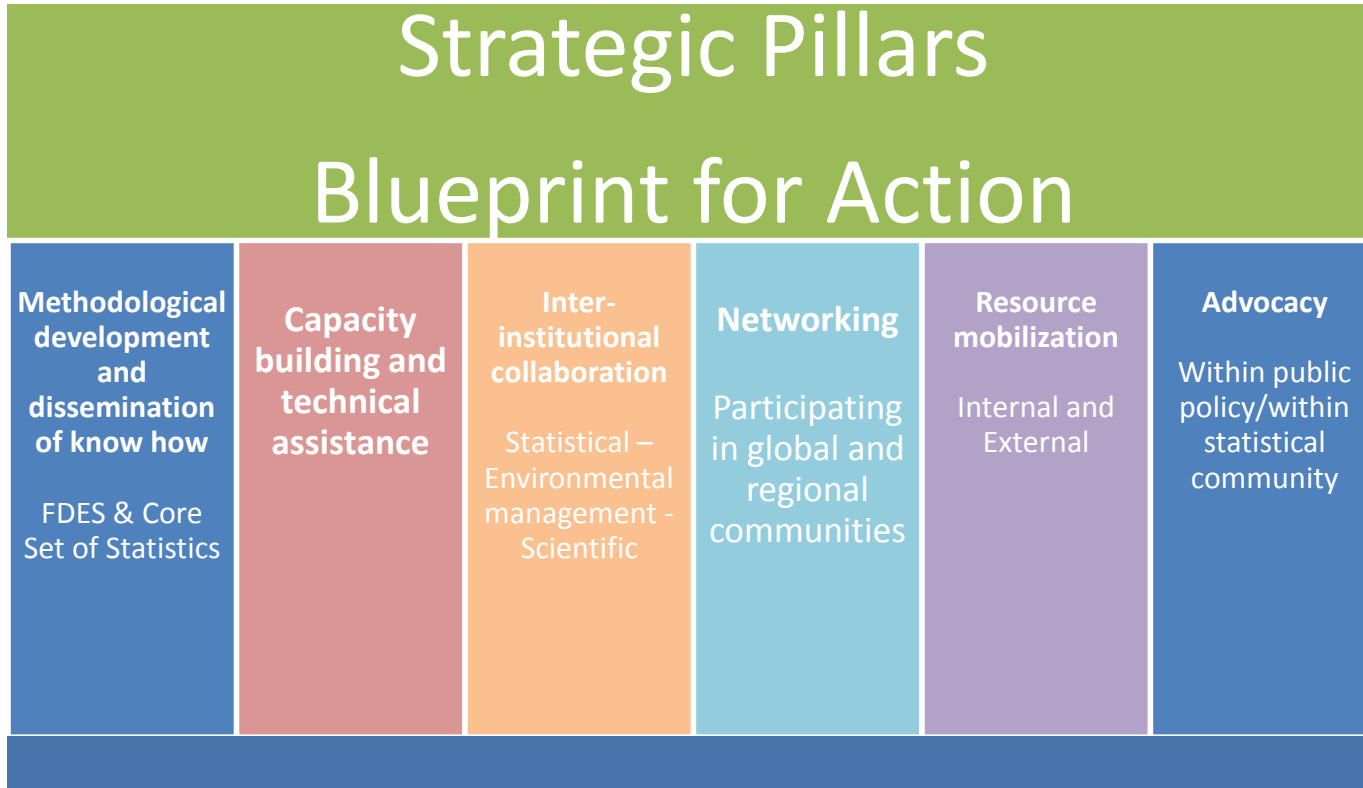


Linking Cape Town Action Plan to National Action Plans

- Development of Strategic and National Action plans
 - Blueprint for Action – development of national environment statistics programmes
 - Important advocacy tool for NSOs
 - Increases collaboration/coordination within NSS
 - Helps mainstream environment statistics into key areas such as economic statistics
- SDG Indicator 17.18.3 Number of countries with a national statistical plan that is fully funded and under implementation, by source of funding
 - Developing capacity for SDG monitoring through national statistical programmes



Implementation: National Action Plans



- Pillars cover main areas of statistical development
- Modular approach
 - Pillar sets Outcome
 - Outputs and activities are tied to budget and workplan as coherent modules
 - Developed from ESSAT results
- Allows gradual implementation or targeting to particular funders



Pillars of the Blueprint for Action

- National priorities identified within the pillars
- Methodological development and dissemination of know-how
 - Application of methodological tools to strengthen national statistical systems
- Capacity building and technical assistance
 - Participate in the programme of technical assistance and capacity building using the FDES
 - Initiate national environment statistics programmes and participate in training and capacity building activities
- Inter-institutional collaboration
 - Appropriate legal mandate and management organs are in place
 - Start/strengthen national committees for inter-institutional collaboration in the development of environment statistics
- Networking
 - Develop national capacities to integrate into or create national, regional and global networks
- Resource mobilization
 - Develop statistical, policy/management and expert communities
 - Ensure adequate resources to environment statistics programmes. Support and participate in fundraising and advocacy global groups
- Advocacy
 - Develop communication methods for various audiences
 - Promote the use of environment statistics in national policy planning and development activities



National Action Plan Reporting Template Structure

1.0	Background and justification.....	1
1.1	Justification.....	1
1.2	National and international environment policies.....	1
1.3	Other related initiatives.....	1
2.0	Objective of the national plan.....	1
3.0	Stakeholders.....	2
4.0	Environment Statistics Self-Assessment (ESSAT) Summary	2
4.1	Data summary	2
4.2	Institutional needs.....	2
4.3	Organisational needs.....	2



National Action Plan Reporting Template Structure

5.0	Outputs and activities	2
5.1	Impact.....	2
5.2	Outcome	3
5.3	Outputs and activities.....	3
	Objective 1.0: Inter-institutional collaboration: Improve collaboration, coordination and awareness of key players across all stages of statistical production and dissemination..	3
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	Objective 3.0: Capacity building and technical assistance	4
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	Objective 5.0: Human resource development and management.....	5
	Objective 6.0: Networking	5
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6.0	Workplan	6
7.0	Overall budget.....	6
8.0	Next Steps	7
9.0	Annex 1: Environment Statistics Self-Assessment (ESSAT)	7



Reporting Template

Reporting Template

- Pillars of the Blueprint for Action allows for **sequential, modular, incremental** plan
 - Allows for results based framework
 - Can be used fully or partially to develop project plans
 - Extraction of modules based on donor interest
 - Pillars/outputs/workplan/budget
- Uses results of the ESSAT to inform outputs and activities
- Structure fits into statistics project plans and into NSDS
 - Can be used to inform workplan of NSDS and Strategic Objectives
 - NSDS goes beyond the Action Plan – longer period, additional strategic components



Discussion

- Relevance of the Pillars of the Blueprint for Action?
 - Further examples under each Pillar?
- Examples of priority actions being requested by countries?
- Examples of international and regional conferences/networks that could be included?
- Examples under each Pillar which can be included on the UNSD website? E.g. advocacy strategy etc.

