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ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS IN TOGO

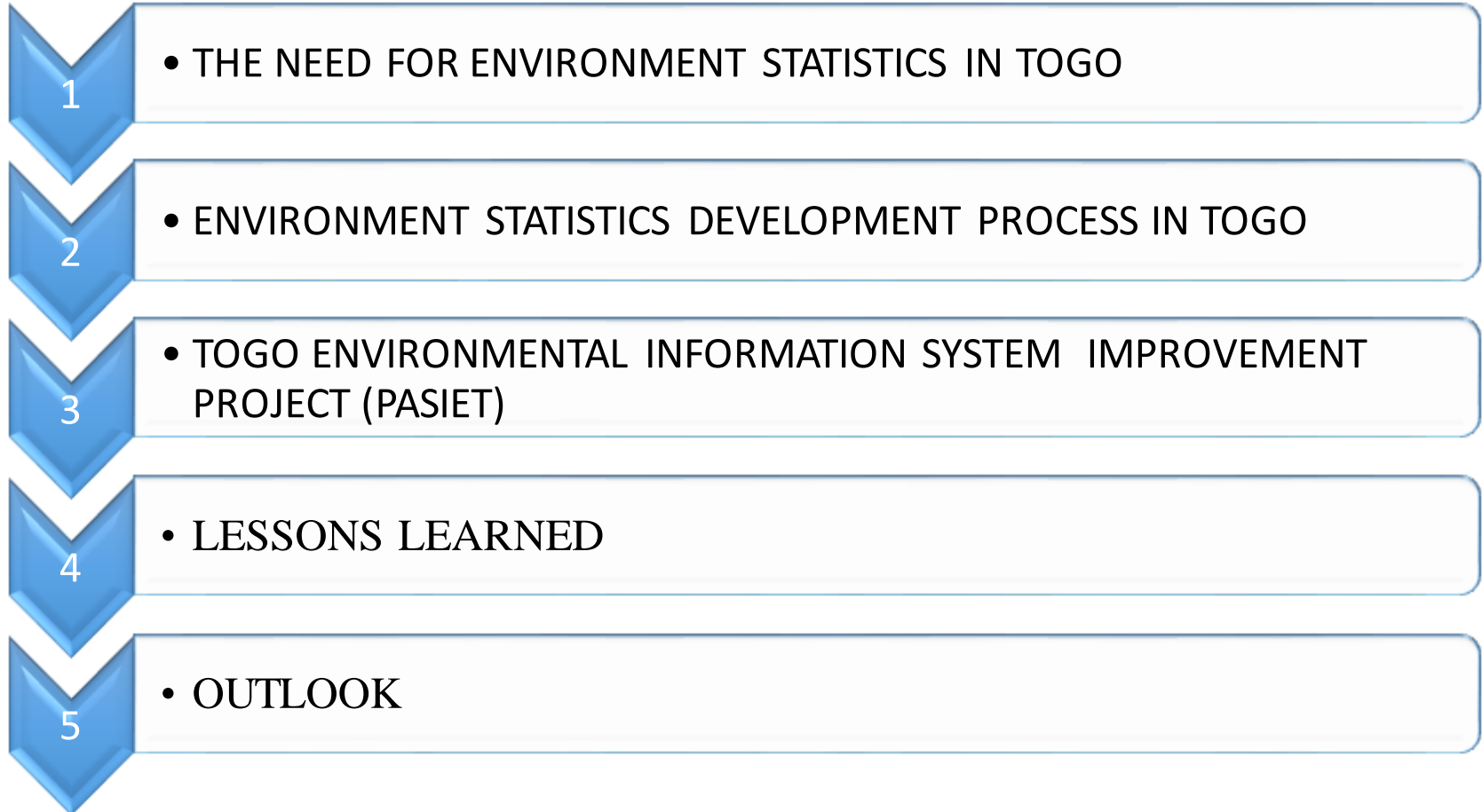
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PLAN





- Environment statistical information represents a major challenge for monitoring the progress that will be made in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the NDC related to Paris Agreement.
- Countries then strive to strengthen the production of environment statistics and promote them as much as economic and social statistics.

NEED FOR ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS

- To improve the planning and monitoring and evaluation of sectoral policies in their environmental dimension and the sustainable management of development.
- Indeed, Togo has drawn up its National Development Plan inspired by the SDGs and its translation into the environmental sector constitutes the CSIGERN (Strategic Investment Framework for the Management of the Environment and Natural Resources);
 - Expected impact 3.12: Sustainable management of natural resources and resilience to the effects of climate change are ensured
- Togo is one of the few countries to have consecutively submitted 3 reports on the implementation of the SDGs at the High Level Political Forum but information on SDGs 13 and 12 is missing from the report.
- All the diagnoses of Togo's national statistical system have shown that the production of environmental statistics is even lower than that of the social and economic sectors, while some countries have made great progress in this area.



ENVIRONMENT STATISTICS DEVELOPMENT PROCESS IN TOGO

- Thus, Togo has embarked on a process of developing environmental statistics :
- Togo's political will to comply with international recommendations and build its development on a sustainable basis.

It is in line with SDG 17:

- 17.18 - By 2020, provide increased support for capacity-building for developing countries, including least developed countries and small island developing States, with the goal of having a much larger base of data quality, up-to-date and accurate, disaggregated by income level, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migration status, disability and geographical location, and by other country-specific characteristics
- 17.19 - By 2030, build on existing initiatives to establish sustainable development progress indicators that complement the gross domestic product, and support statistical capacity building in developing countries.



- The process aims to strengthen environmental statistics by taking into account all new conceptual, methodological and strategic developments for monitoring the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and other international requirements..

- Initiatives in this process have been strongly supported by the international community, including the United Nations Statistics Division, the European Union, etc. Thanks to the combined efforts of the Government and development partners, significant results have been achieved, the most important of which are:
 - 2015: Regional workshop hosted by Togo with the support of UNSD and ECOWAS: Regional workshop in support of the implementation of the framework for the development of environment statistics (FDES 2013) for the Economic Community of States of West Africa (ECOWAS)
 - High Level Forum on Environmental Statistics: Held under the theme “Issues and Challenges for Sustainable Development“. This forum has been a forum for advocacy of the production of environmental statistics in the perspective of sustainable development. (Funding: UNDP and GIZ)

- 2016: FDES Applicability workshop in Togo (Funded by EU and World Bank)
 - Assessment of the relevance, importance and applicability of the 2013 FDES in Togo: Pre-selection of priority indicators for the country (270/458 of the FDES based on relevance, priority and availability);
 - Filling of the Environment Statistics Self-Assessment Tool (ESSAT) by all stakeholders on the state of environment statistics and the strategic plan for their development.
- 2016: State of environment statistics and definition of the environmental statistical information system (Funded by EU)

These events/activities helped to catalyze and refine the development process of environmental statistics in Togo.

- The issues and challenges on environment statistics can be summed up in Togo:
 - The need for environmental statistics to feed into the monitoring of (SDGs) and improve the effectiveness of the National Statistical System (NSS) by informing about environmental and ecological sustainability.
 - Environmental statistics should be able to be generated in all sectors and not attempt to be the sole responsibility of environmental departments

To respond, it was necessary to:

- Create a general awareness of the beneficial contribution of environmental statistical information to the sustainable development process, particularly in the decision-making sphere at the level of the government, parliament, partners, municipalities, leaders of organizations civil society and the average citizen.
- Obtain the political will and resources.
- Strengthen statistical and institutional capacity.
- Improve the organizational and strategic framework.
- Prioritize indicators and integrate environmental indicator requirements into national data collection mechanisms.
- Regularize the production of environmental statistics as a key element of official statistics.
- Develop and implement a program for the development of environmental statistics.



- The Project to Improve the Environmental Information System of Togo (PASIET) was formulated following the recommendations of these activities and submitted to the Korea-Africa Economic Cooperation Trust Fund (KOFAEC) managed by the African Development Bank (AfDB) in 2016. The signing of the grant agreement by the Togolese Republic represented by the Minister of Economy and Finance was made on 28 November 2018.
- **Overall objectives:** to contribute to building and strengthening a mechanism for monitoring and measuring progress in the monitoring of the SDGs and measuring environmental and ecological sustainability in Togo by strengthening and institutionalizing environment statistics.



Specifically:

1-Strengthen the coordination of the actors involved in environmental information by providing them with tools to ensure this function

2-Improve relations and cooperation on the one hand, the actors involved in the production of environmental information and on the other hand, producers and users of this information

3-Strengthen the technical capacities of the experts involved in the environmental information system

4-Improve the coherence, quality and harmonization of environmental data

5-Strengthen access to environmental data

3 Components

Component 1: Strengthening the Strategic, Institutional and Organizational Framework

Component 2: Technical and operational capacity building

Component 3: Project Management

Component 1: Strengthening the Strategic, Institutional and Organizational Framework

- Contribute to strengthening the coordination of the system of environmental statistics by providing it with a sectoral consultation instrument between producers of environmental statistics on the one hand, and between producers and users on the other.
- It will be necessary to develop a strategic plan for the development of environment statistics based on a complete diagnosis of the system of environmental statistics.

Component 2: Strengthening operational and technical capacities

- Provide the project sub-sectors with conceptual and methodological tools (concepts and definitions, nomenclatures, statistical standards and methodologies, etc.) for the production of the country's priority environmental indicators.
- Strengthen the capacity of national managers to implement them and improve access to environment statistics and methodologies and procedures for their collection, processing and analysis.
- A **methodological compendium** will be prepared containing for each sub-sector of the project, national guidelines (nomenclature, harmonization guides, production frameworks, etc.) based on international and regional standards that will govern the production of statistics in the sub-sector.

- Preparation and publication of the **first yearbook on environment statistics of Togo.**
- The website of the Directorate-General for Energy will also be put back into service in order to improve access to energy balance data regularly produced by this structure.
- Preparation and publication of **the first report on the state of the environment** which will constitute a reference document on the environment of Togo

- Training of trainers on the control of the carbon footprint.
- Training on strategic planning and results-based management for monitoring and evaluation of the environmental statistics improvement plan that will be put in place.

Component 3: Project Management

- ✓ Current project management activities.
- ✓ The translation of FDES and methodological documents from English into French.

COST, DURATION AND FINANCING OF THE PROJECT

- The project is valued at **US \$ 429,335**, which will mainly finance the acquisition of the services of international and national consultants, workshops and meetings, and training.
- Project activities are planned for a period of **8 months**.
- Funded by the Korea-Africa Economic Cooperation Trust Fund (KOAFEC) under the 2017-2018 work program, a Fund managed by the AfDB.



CHAÎNE DE RESULTATS DU PASIET

PND

Effet 3.12 La gestion durable des ressources naturelles et la résilience aux effets des changements climatiques sont assurées

CSIGERN

Amélioration de la gouvernance du secteur de l'environnement

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Résultats

Impact

Effets

1 - La qualité des données et indicateurs environnementaux est améliorée

2 - Les producteurs statistiques des secteurs clés de l'environnement sont outillés pour contribuer à la production régulière et fiable de statistiques de l'environnement au Togo

1.1. Analyse approfondie du cadre institutionnel et organisationnel du système des statistiques de l'environnement

1.2. Cadre de planification pluriannuelle des activités du système des statistiques de l'environnement élaboré et approuvé de manière participative

2.1. Mise en place et diffusion des normes et outils méthodologiques dans les secteurs clés du projet

2.2. Analyse et la connaissance de l'état de l'environnement est améliorée

2.3. L'accès à l'information environnementale est amélioré

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DU DEVELOPPEMENT DURABLE
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AGENCE NATIONALE DE GESTION
DE L'ENVIRONNEMENT (ANGE)

PROJET D'AMÉLIORATION DU SYSTÈME
D'INFORMATION ENVIRONNEMENTAL
DU TOGO (PASIET)

ATELIER NATIONAL DE LANCEMENT

Planification

Mise en oeuvre

Produits



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Economic Cooperation



PASIET
Projet d'Amélioration du Système
d'Information Environnemental du Togo

LESSONS LEARNED

- Set up dynamic and motivated national technical working group that meets regularly and understands the importance and the need for environment statistics.
- Obtain political support.
- Good communication to raise awareness of the need for environmental statistics.
- Having methodological documents available in all UN languages.
- Put in place an enabling institutional and organizational framework:
 - coordination of technical assistance to maximize opportunities and avoid duplication of effort
 - keeping all relevant parties informed about technical assistance
- Promotion of south-south cooperation to share experiences and best practices from similar countries.

OUTLOOK

- Adhesion to Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data
- Study trips to Tunisia with the support of the AUC
- Study trips to Senegal with SESRIC
- Official request to the World Bank for improvement of environment statistics
- Paradigm shift towards environmental statistics for the development of the new National Statistics Development Strategy underway
- Coastline account with WACA (the World Bank) and Statcan
- Air quality program underway with WHO-Togo
- Mobilization of resources and implementation of the strategic plan for development of environment statistics (PSDSE) issued from PASIET.



Still in need of technical and financial support to achieve the process

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