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Implementation of a national quality assurance framework throughout the NSS

Quality assurance of the SDG indicators

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Quality assurance on SDG indicators
Reasons for assessing quality of data sources used for reporting?

- To shed light to users on the quality of indicators used to report progress
- Guideline for choosing the suitable data source for populating indicators.
- To enhance transparency in the choice of datasets to populate indicators
Credible information on indicators will be obtained through SASQAF

Indicators (idct) Standards (std)

- **Accessibility** (12 idct 13 std)
- **Timeliness** (4 idct 10 std)
- **Pre-requisites** (8 idct 21 std)
- **Comparability & Coherence** (5 idct 5 std)
- **Integrity** (6 idct 6 std)
- **Accuracy** (7 idct 36 std)
- **Relevance** (5 idct 5 std)
- **Interpretability** (3 idct 3 std)
- **Methodological Soundness** (6 idct 14 std)
## SASQAF – UN NQAF

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SASQAF Lite (4 dimensions) on international reporting obligations

- Accuracy
- Comparability and coherence
- Methodological Soundness
- Integrity
- Timeliness (Optional)
1. Identification of data sources for indicators (Only NSS members)

2. Working Teams (2 assessor and 1 metadata provider)

3. Compilation of the Assessment report with findings, recommendations and limitations

4. Data source choice

Indicators for reporting should be checked for metadata and quality of the data source used

Stages of assurance

- Metadata
- SASQAF Lite Assessment

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OUTPUT – Quality report

Findings

Recommendations with cautionary notes
Moving Forward with the SDG goals in South Africa
Quality is key
Coordinating Departmental, CSO and private representation in SDG structures
SDG meetings and Sectoral Working Groups

An opportunity to create awareness of quality to non-NSS members
Challenges

01 Sheer volume of indicators
Lack of enough resources to assess all the data sources

02 Access to possible new data sources from non traditional data suppliers (Private sector) – how to deal with governance issues emanating from this?
Thank you