Towards the 2025 SNA

Project Manager's Report

Advisory Expert Group Meeting 20 April 2022

Outline

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Progress of Guidance Notes

61 Guidance Notes

13	Started
4	Global consultation underway
25	Global consultation completed
19	Endorsed

At the current AEG meeting, approval will be sought for global consultation for 5 GNs, and the outcome of the global consultation for one GN will be considered

Collaboration

The update of the SNA and the update of the BPM will proceed in parallel, and the SNA update team has discussed with the BPM update team how to take the work forward

- A common drafting platform is envisaged
- There will be a common approach to the digital versions, which is under discussion
- The SNA and BPM (and other economic statistics manuals) will share common text on core principles and use common definitions
- The editorial teams will collaborate in the drafting of chapters of common interest
- The GFS, SEEA and MFS communities will be consulted on the drafting of relevant chapters
- Both editorial teams will follow the guidance laid out in the final versions of GNs approved by AEG/ISWGNA and BOPCOM
- There will be monthly meetings between the SNA and BPM editorial teams and where needed editorial-type meetings with GFS/MFS/SEEA communities

Collaboration

- High-level outlines for both SNA 2025 and BPM7 have been prepared
- It is expected that work will commence shortly on developing a common glossary
- Work is proceeding on identifying chapters or parts of chapters where collaboration is important

Stakeholder engagement

- A high-level stakeholder engagement plan has been developed in conjunction with the BPM update team
- The plan shows the key stakeholders, what their interest in the update process is, and what broad methods of engagement will be used
- A range of engagement methods are envisaged including:
 - Conferences, seminars and workshops
 - Consultation on relevant issues
 - Consultation on the draft updated SNA
 - Targeted communication where relevant
 - Involvement in experimental estimates/early implementation program
 - A biannual SNA Update Newsletter
 - The use of social media
- A more detailed plan for (continued) consultation with NSOs will be developed

Risks and issues

A high-level assessment has been developed -10 risks/issues have been identified

- Size and complexity of project
- Reliance on key people
- Failing to finalizing the GNs on time
- Managing relationships with the BPM7 update
- Managing relationships with the GFS, SEEA and MFS communities
- Managing the interests of a diverse range of stakeholders
- Failure to meet expectations of key 'outside' stakeholders
- Experimentation and testing is too onerous on countries
- Insufficient budget for project
- Countries unprepared to implement SNA 2025 in a timely way

There are currently no 'show stoppers', but a number require some attention

Experimental estimation/early implementation

- A key feature of the update process is a program of experimental estimation/early implementation for recommendations in some of the GNs
- A two-phased approach for this has been agreed
- The first phase relates to experimental estimation needed to finalize recommendations in certain guidance notes
 - This phase will be conducted in 2022
 - Discussions are currently underway with the Task Teams to clarify the GNs that need to be tested in this phase and to work out the details of the testing required
 - It is expected that only a limited number of countries will be involved in this phase
- The second phase relates to early implementation and will assist countries in implementing the 2025 SNA
 - This phase will conducted during 2023-2025
 - Detailed planning for this phase will be undertaken in mid 2022
 - A greater number of countries will be involved in this phase, and in certain instances technical assistance may be available