

**African Conference:
Transformative Agenda for Official Statistics**

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Program structure – Phase 1

To reinforce the management capabilities of the NSO's of participating countries, the program has four phases:

- 1. Identification of priorities with respect to management practices by selected countries;**

Program structure – Phase 1

Most problematic/challenging areas:

- Coordination of the National Statistical System
- Integrated strategic planning and implementation tools (project management framework, financial management, HR strategies, internal communication, systematic evaluation process...)
- Capacity to respond to new demands
- Quality management
- Communication and Dissemination
- Modernization of the statistical business processes and infrastructures

Program structure – Phase 2

To reinforce the management capabilities of the NSO's of participating countries, the program has four phases:

1. Identification of priorities with respect to management practices by selected countries;
2. **A one and a half week seminar in Ottawa to foster knowledge-sharing and mutual learning experience;**

Program structure – Phase 2

- Strategic Integrated planning
- Project management
- Result- based management
- Corporate Business Architecture model
- HR Management (Recruitment, Development, Mobility, Positive workplace environment)
- Program evaluation, Auditing and Finance management
- Information Technology
- Cooperation with User Community
- Quality Assurance Management
- Data confidentiality – Policy and practices
- Relation with respondents
- Acquiring and using Administrative Data
- Statistics and Gender
- Communication and Dissemination
- Microdata access

Program structure – Phase 2

- Panel discussion with members of the Canadian National statistics council
- Open discussions with former and current chief statisticians
- Visits
- Meetings with subject-matter experts
- Working sessions for the implementation of phase 3

Program structure – Phase 3

To reinforce the management capabilities of the NSO's of participating countries, the program has four phases:

1. Identification of priorities with respect to management practices by selected countries;
2. A one and a half week seminar in Ottawa to foster knowledge-sharing and mutual learning experience;
3. **A follow-up phase where participants developed a strategic paper and where Statistics Canada assisted in the design and implementation of specific action plans over a two-year period;**

Program structure – Phase 3

- 34 strategic papers received:
 - 10 of them are in the process of being implemented
 - 11 have been implemented
- 22 follow-up missions providing technical assistance and additional hands-on training/guidance to more than 330 senior officials and statisticians

Program structure – Phase 3

Project topics	Countries
Quality management	Burundi, Chile, Ecuador, Gabon, Honduras, Jamaica, Panama, Peru
Coordination of the NSS	Grenada, Guatemala, Togo
Development and implementation of a new institutional strategic plan	Senegal
Establishment of training programs	Guyana, Honduras
Modernization of business registers	Saint-Lucia, Suriname
Human resources management	Kenya
Communication and dissemination	Costa Rica
Use of administrative data	Colombia, Uruguay
Establishment of a cost-recovery unit	Uganda

Program structure – Phase 4

To reinforce the management capabilities of the NSO's of participating countries, the program has four phases:

1. Identification of priorities with respect to management practices by selected countries;
2. A one and a half week seminar in Ottawa to foster knowledge-sharing and mutual learning experience;
3. A follow-up phase where participants develop a strategic paper and where Statistics Canada will monitor the implementation of specific action plans over a two-year period;
4. **Share lessons learned.**

Program structure – Phase 4

- Modules transfer to AFRISTAT and additional training of 80 senior managers from 20 countries (in partnership with PARIS 21)
- Forum on Strengthening statistical managerial practices in Latin America and the Caribbean
- African Conference on a transformative agenda for official statistics (in partnership with UNSD, AfDB and Eurostat)

Program structure – Phase 4

- Release of a compendium on Management and Operational practices
- Final evaluation report

In conclusion

- Overall, ISFP has met its objectives and much more
- Post-ISFP? Provide us your thoughts

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