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Workstream 1.1 : Governance Progress report

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Governance Workstream in a nutshell

Objective



Improve the capability of target countries to enhance the statistical infrastructure, including modernization of governance

Expected results



Acceleration of modernization of official statistics in beneficiary and target countries

Areas of focus



- Legal framework, governance, and coordination mechanisms
- Quality management, communication and partnership

Outcomes and indicators of achievement



Enhanced governance and coordination

Number of target countries that have documented initiatives to enhance governance and coordination of the statistical system.



Enhanced engagements with stakeholders

Number of target countries that have documented enhanced dialogue and partnership with data providers and users, including civil society.



Improved quality of official statistics

Number of target countries that have documented initiatives to improve and secure the statistics' quality

Transfer knowledge, experiences, and good practices from countries further along the modernization path to help others catch up

Target and beneficiary countries



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Burundi
Statistics Law

Eritrea
Collaboration and data access

South Sudan
NSS, Statistics law and Training

Burundi

Revision of the statistics law

- Workshop with partner and NSS stakeholders
- Support to review and amend the statistics law
- Dissemination workshop of the revised law

Results and benefits

- Strengthened the coordination role of the UNRC
- Strengthened dialogue and collaboration with stakeholders and partners
- Developed capacity on governance of NSS
- Better knowledge of the statistics law and its implication by stakeholders and actors

Eritrea

NSS governance for GDP production

- Assessment of the NSS
- Dialogue with admin data providers
- GDP task force established
- Peer learning in Kenya

Results and benefits

- Operational GDP task force
- Access to administrative data
- GDP for 2023 produced
- Capacity developed for GDP production from administrative data sources

South Sudan

Governance of the NSS

- Assessment of the NSS
- Dissemination of the statistics law
- Dialogue on the training of statisticians

Results and benefits

- Strengthened the coordination role of the UNRC
- Strengthened dialogue with stakeholders and partners
- Strengthened dialogue with statistical training institutions



Key lessons learnt

Statistics law

- The INS must monitor the entire process of revising the statistics law to ensure that any adjustment remains aligned with international principles (Leadership of DG)
- The NSS stakeholders and partners should be consulted during and participate in the revision of the statistics law
- Statistics law should be widely disseminated, focusing on advantage and implications for actors concerned

Collaboration

- Collaboration with the UNRC facilitates partners engagement and contributes to strengthening collaboration between NSS stakeholders and partners

User engagement

- The NSO, as the coordinator of the NSS, must play a key role in strengthening the governance of the National Statistical System

Dialogue

- The United Nations can play a relevant role between partners and governments to dissipate frictions: it is necessary to act tactfully by providing support, rather than criticism.

Thanks!

*Questions and comments
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