

Subprogram 5: Statistics for evidence- based policymaking

Proposed programme of work for the
biennium 2018-2019

Objective of Statistics Division

The objective of subprogram 5 on statistics for evidence-based policymaking is to transform the regional statistical system into a well-coordinated and functional system of national and regional statistics with the aim of producing and sharing statistical data in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Outputs

Ad hoc expert group meetings

Recurrent publications

Technical material

Field projects

Ad hoc expert group meetings

Technical advisory group on demographic and social statistics (2018 and 2019)

Expert group on demographic and social statistics (2019)

Recurrent publications

Arab Society – A Compendium of Social Indicators

Technical material

Data compilation for ESCWA, covering recurrent data products and specific needs of other subprograms

Study on refugee statistics

Methodological study on demographic and social statistics

Field projects: Development Account Project

Component 3: Population and Demographic Statistics

Census

CRVS

Human settlement

Component 5: Poverty and Inequality Statistics

Proposed program of work for 2020

Strategic Framework

Objectives

1: To strengthen the region's capacity to produce evidence-based policies, based on relevant, reliable, timely and comparable national and regional data and statistics in support of 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

2: To ensure consistency with international statistical standards, methods and concepts.

Note:

SD objectives are aligned with Sustainable Development Goal 17

SDG Goal 17

To strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development. Progress towards the attainment of the objective will help in enhancing by 2020 providing capacity-building support to developing countries, including for least developed countries to increase significantly the availability of high-quality, timely and reliable data disaggregated by income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location and other characteristics relevant in national contexts; and by 2030, build on existing initiatives to develop measurements of progress on sustainable development that complement gross domestic product, and support statistical capacity-building in developing countries

Vision 2020

In 2020, the subprogram will shift its focus to facilitating the introduction of new technologies and data sources in official statistics, continuing closing data gaps, assisting member states in improving statistical governance and institutional issues, and to paying particular attention to official statistics in situations of war and conflict

This approach will include:

The use of new technologies and approaches to data collection

Intensified technical assistance to countries

Assistance to countries to undertake population census

Assistance to member states in setting strategies addressing issues of statistical governance

Organizing expert and advisory groups to provide guidance on the methodologies for social and demographic data collection.

SD 2020 Workplan

Meetings of ad hoc expert groups on social statistics

Expert advice on collection, production, analysis and dissemination of data to member countries

Arab Society – social statistics and indicators