

Follow-Up of TAG 2016 Recommendations addressed to ESCWA

Second Technical Advisory Group Meeting on Demographic and
Social Statistics

Beirut, 18-19 December 2018

Recommendations to ESCWA

Actions taken by ESCWA

Involve other related international organizations in TAG work

Invitation letters to different UN agencies were sent to attend and participate in the 2nd TAG meeting

Coordinate and act as secretariat for all related activities

ESCWA sending and coordinating all correspondences and activities concerning the TAG

Propose a strategy and workplan to bridge gaps and provide the required indicators, in cooperation with TAG leadership

Consultant hired for developing the strategy (Bahjat Achikbache)
Outline prepared, presented in this TAG meeting for review and comments
Report to be developed accordingly

Prepare a guide on metadata indicators, comprising concepts, definitions and calculation mechanisms; harmonize the indicator list with sustainable development indicators; and coordinate with statistical offices

Done and presented in this TAG meeting for finalization and adoption (Jawad and Nathan presentations)

Other recommendations

Recommendation to national statistical offices

Provide data to ESCWA in line with agreed indicators.

Recommendation to international and regional organizations

Strengthen cooperation between United Nations organizations, regional organizations participating in TAG and ESCWA to support the work of TAG, and to build the statistical capacity of TAG and national statistical offices in the region.