

Meeting of the Sectoral Council for external assistance in the field of official statistics (SCEA) Chisinau, 4 October 2022

Discussions on technical assistance needs for the implementation of the NSS Strategy







Objective 1: NSS institutional development

Legislation, organizational structure and coordination

- Revise the organizational structure of the NBS in compliance with the requirements for statistical processes redesigning (expertize for functional analysis)
- Solution Adjust the normative framework regarding the retribution of the NBS staff (legal expertize)
- S Enhance the coordination of institutions within NSS:
 - Strengthen the role of NBS as coordinator of NSS and chair of the Aid Coordination Council in statistical sector
 - Raise public awareness on the NSS and its governance mechanism
 - Develop the institutional capacities of other producers of official statistics (ONA) providing methodological guidance and promoting data quality management

(expertise/capacity building for NSS institutions (BNS, BNM, ONAs))





Objective 1: NSS institutional development

Human resource management

- Strengthening the management of human resources and the continuous training of the staff of statisticians (to increase innovation capacity, efficiency and effectiveness of staff) (identification of training needs, capacity building)
 - > Set up a center of continuous training (Excellence Center) within SSN (technical support, lobby)
 - > Development of the career plan for employees in statistics (HR expertize)
 - > Build institutional capacities for activity in crisis situations Contengency Planning (technical support)
- Sollaboration with institutions in the education system (higher education) in order to train statistical staff and attract well-trained young specialists in official statistics bodies (expertize on good practices)
- © Create attractive conditions for the activity and professional and career growth of the body of statisticians (to increase employee job satisfaction, reduce fluctuation) (technical support)



Objective 2: Governance & Leadership

Data protection and the access to ADS and PDS

(technical support, thematic expertize)

- Some Consolidation of regulatory, administrative, technical and organizational data protection measures, to facilitate the consumption of data and their use for statistical purposes
- Strengthening the capacities and skills of producers of official statistics to respect confidentiality and data protection in the process of data production, dissemination and archiving
- Solution Capitalizing on the potential of administrative, private data sources (e.g. energy companies, telecommunications, trade) and new data by developing experimental statistics with subsequent integration into statistical production.
- Increased use of administrative and private data sources for statistical purposes will allow:
 - (i) substitution of existing statistical surveys;
 - (ii) the development of statistical data with greater frequency;
 - (iii) reducing costs for the production of official statistics;
 - (iv) reducing informational pressure on respondents.





Objective 2: Governance & Leadership

Manage statistical data quality

(technical support, thematic expertize)

- **Revise** and **improve statistical tools** in order to exclude duplication of information and statistical indicators with low informational value, as well as to reduce the informational pressure on respondents
- Solve problems related to access to SDA, which would allow their use for statistical purposes to reduce the pressure on respondents and produce new statistics and more efficiently
- Measure the informational burden on respondents using quantitative methods, setting targets for reducing the response burden, and monitoring it





Objective 3: DATA PRODUCTION – DATA SUPLY

Modernize technical & technological infrastructure

- **Redesign ICT system**, taking into account the pandemic conditions:
 - Assessment of statistical ICT ecosystem, a strategy for its development based to modern technologies and international good practice (ICT assessment/ expertize)
 - Develop and implement the Integrated Statistical Information System (ICT expertize)
 - Upgrade technical and technological endowment (aquisitions)
- Implement new data collection & processing methods based on modern technologies (technical support, thematic expertize)
- Face-to-face interviewing (CAPI) for conducting censuses (on population and dwellings, agricultural)

 For conducting continuous, ad-hoc /periodical household surveys (e.g. HBS, LFS, small farmers)
- Electronic statistical self-reporting/web-interviewing (CAWI) and CATI (incl. establishing a Call Center)
 - Complete transition to electronic statistical reporting by legal entities (private sector, public institutions, etc.)
 - Self-reporting by households (e.g. HBS, LFS)
- Harness **new data sources and processing methods** to produce meaningful statistics (earth observations, scanne data, big/thin data, GIS, CDR/call detailed records, web scrapping, machine learning, citizen science, etc.)





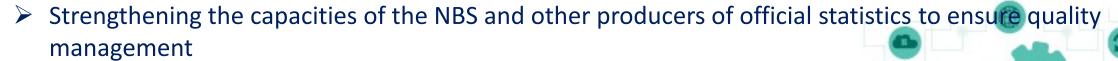


Objective 3: DATA PRODUCTION – DATA SUPLY

Manage statistical data quality







- Development of quality guidelines for systematic quality assessment and reporting
- Documentation of statistical methodologies and processes
- Monitoring and evaluation of process quality
- Standardizatio of processes by using the Generic Statistical Business Process Model (GSBPM) for the description and automation of statistical processes











Objective 3: DATA PRODUCTION – DATA SUPLY

Statistical processes & outputs - Produce quality statistics

(technical support, thematic expertize)

- S Participate in the 2020 & 2030 world rounds for:
 - Population and Housing Census
 - > Agriculture Census
- Solution by Develop and implement new master sample for statistical household surveys (HBS, LFS, periodical)
 - ➤ **Mobile** net of interviewers
- Redesign the continuous statistical household surveys (HBS, LFS) according to the new master sample and applying modern data collection and processing methods and technologies
- **Solution** Redesign statistical processes:
- in accordance with GSBPM to streamline statistical activity
- Based on the use of ADS
- Expand the availability of statistical data applying international standards and European requirements and ensuring multi-dimensional disaggregation (by territorial area, or characteristics of the observed sub-populations)
- **Continuously harmonize** the national statistics with the international standards and European requirements
- Solution Provide methodological support for statistics produced by line ministries and other public authorities according to the quality standards established for efficial statistics.



Objective 4: USE & ANALYSIS - DATA DEMAND

Enhance data dissemination

- S Improve content and accessibility to statistical information (technical support)
 - Adapt the content and timeliness of statistical dissemination to the users' needs on the NBS website and Statistical Databank
 - Modernize NBS web-site compliant with the latest technologies and inclusiveness requirements Enhance the use of interactive and visual tools: digital maps, animated graphs, dedicated interactive platforms (genderpulse.md, recensamint.statistica.md), infographs
 - > Develop e-publications, visualization dashboards
 - > Further develop and maintain the SDGs National Reporting Platform
- Soordinate data dissemination within NSS (technical support, good practices)
 - ➤ Integrate statistics produced by other national authorities on a common dissemination platform





Objective 4: USE & ANALYSIS - DATA DEMAND

Improve communication and use of statistical information

- Improve methods of communication and dissemination of statistical information within NSS (partially covered by EU, UNFPA, UN Women, UNDP, UNICEF):
 - Periodical data users satisfaction surveys
 - Focus-groups with respondents and data users
 - Enhance NBS capacities on user-friendly and easy-to-understand communication
- Some Build statistical culture and data literacy
 - Conduct trainings, workshops, round tables, "statistics explained" seminars held by statisticians for data users (policy/decision makers, CSOs, private sector, etc.)
 - Organize scientific conferences and tailored events and products for data users
 - Develop statistics e-learning courses to be institutionalized (official web-sites, educational curriculum, open access tailored courses)
 - > Revise statistical metadata to be more accessible to users
 - Provide access of the scientific & analytical community to statistical information, including microdata





Thank you!