Seventh StatCom – Africa Meeting

OIBC-1: Strengthened integrated data and statistical systems for sustainable development

Recommendation # 4: Strengthening the Data Ecosystem

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• The SG requested a unique proposal from each region:

"I propose to launch a region-by-region change management process that will seek to consolidate existing capacities with regard to data and statistics, as well as other relevant analytical functions that may be currently duplicative. This exercise will have to be unique to each region and will be detailed and fleshed out in full consultation with each regional commission and respective regional team of the United Nations Sustainable Development Group. Any related changes to existing structures or budgets will be submitted to United Nations legislative committees for endorsement by Member States prior to implementation." [A/74/73–E/2019/14, para. 115]"

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Challenges, Opportunities and Partnerships



Current Status and challenges

Lack of harmonization of data

WEAK
GOVERNANCE
STRUCTURE &

COORDINATION

Insufficient funding and dependence on external resources

Underutilized role of research and development

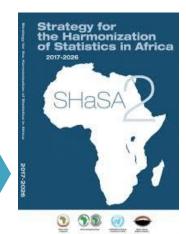
Weak system for data management

Limited uptake of new

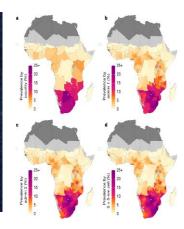
technologies

Weak demand and capacity to use data

Opportunities









Partnerships & collaborations







Approach....

- The UN Sustainable Development Group in Africa is working to develop strategies to generate and disseminate quality data and to improve the use of data for evidence-based decision-making leading to inclusive, sustainable and resilient societies in the region
- Driven by innovation, robustness, online and digitization, integrated and harmonized approaches to respond to SDGs, Agenda 2063 and national development frameworks
- Imperative to design and deliver a ONE UN National Statistical Capacity Programme in all African countries to support the development of sustainable statistical system





Transforming the National Statistical System in Africa

1. Develop procedures for adopting innovative methodologies - NSS to Go Digital

2. Design and deliver a ONE UN National Statistical Capacity Development Programme Share knowledge resources - HUB

Develop Africa UN Knowledge Hub on COVID19

Develop Africa UN
Knowledge Hub
on SDGs and
Agenda 2063

Promote the culture of Data Use

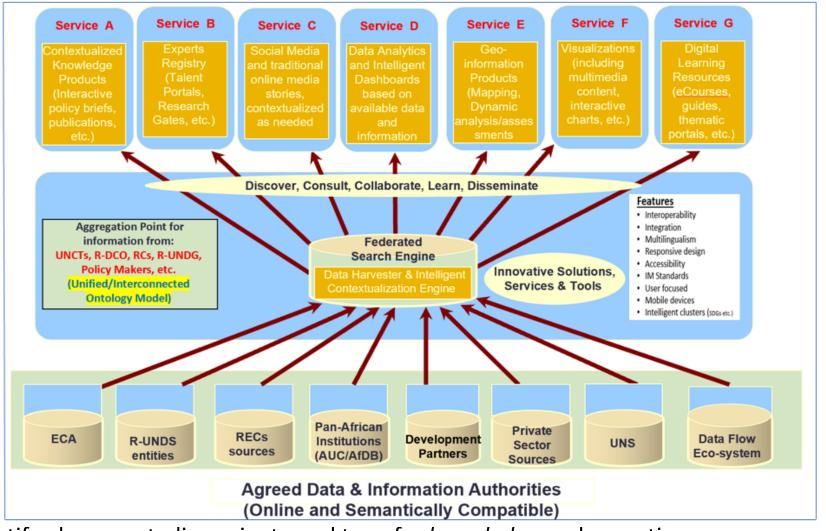
Develop guidelines and strategies for promoting culture of data use

Develop criteria for identifying the Champion on Data for Development, including clear roles:

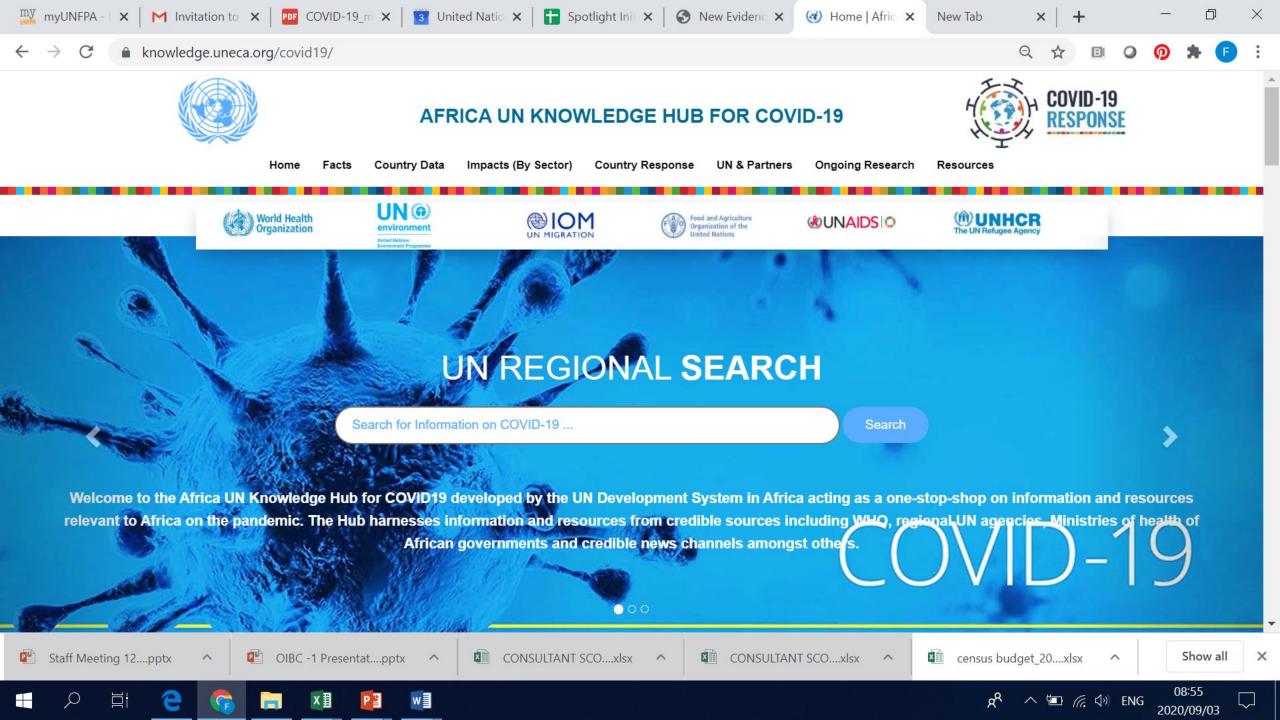
Online Data Platform "Data Gateway"

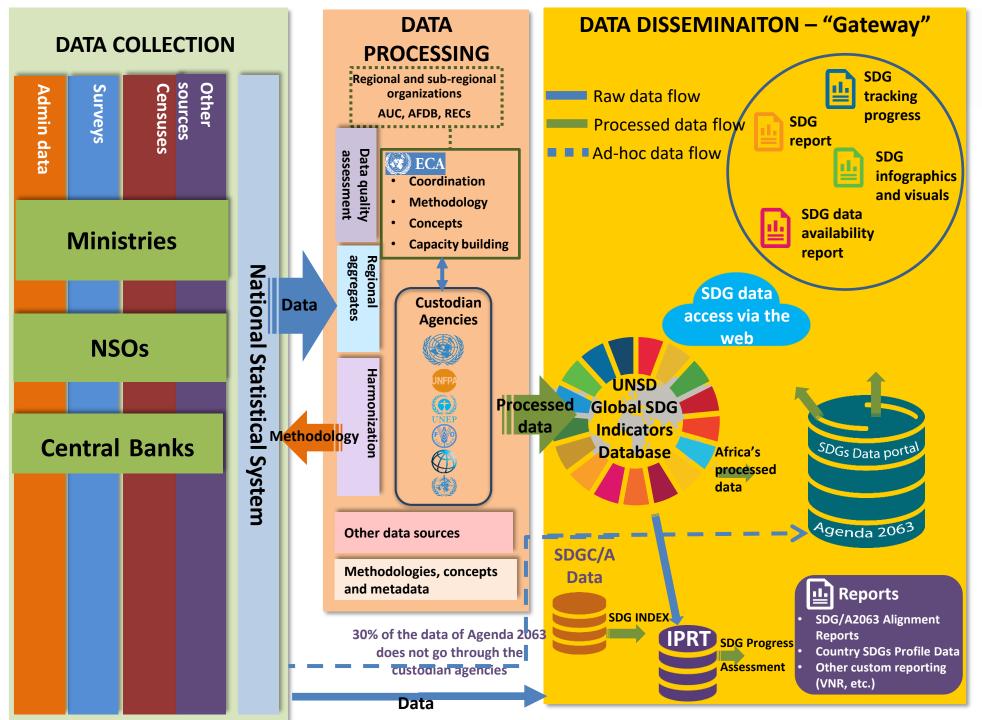
Develop a robust online data system with data at regional, country, subnational for all SDGs and Agenda 2063, that is harmonized with other data systems in Africa to continuously be accessible to provide quality data ecosystem

Vision for Regional Knowledge Management Hub Architecture



- ✓ Identify, document, disseminate and transfer *knowledge* and *expertise*
- ✓ Facilitate quick response to specific national member states requests -Agenda 2030 & 2063







Potential roles of NSOs....



Support the proposed strategy for statistics – ensure UN coherence and coordinated approach from UN

Share data points on SDGs and Agenda 2063

 Use the deliverables from this initiative to strengthen statistical systems in country





Thank you