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Collaborative on Administrative Data

Motivation

- Scope of data needs for the implementation of the **2030 Agenda**, particularly for timely and disaggregated data, underlines urgency to strengthen the quality and increase the use of administrative data for statistical purposes
- As countries struggle to **respond to the COVID-19 pandemic** and its socio-economic effects, administrative data sources are more important than ever.

Overview of the collaborative

Objective: Address both urgent and longer term needs to access and use administrative data for statistical purposes in a **coherent** and **cross-cutting** manner, building on advances made in various sectors and by different partners.

- **Multi-stakeholder** collaborative of countries and regional and international agencies. Co-convened by UNSD and GPSDD
- Platform for **collaboration** and **sharing of knowledge and experiences**
- Focus on **simple, ready-to-implement solutions** that address **priority gaps in countries** that make limited or no use of administrative data sources for statistical purposes
- Currently mainly including NSOs from over 20 countries, aim to also involve administrative data owners

3 main angles to approach the work

New
aspect

Cross-cutting

Focusing on common challenges
(e.g., data quality assessment)

Building
on
existing

Sectoral

Focusing on specific sources or sectors
(e.g., health records)

Learning
by doing

System development level

Providing materials for different levels of
maturity of the administrative data and
statistical systems

Current work

Three task teams established from the bigger collaborative:

- Task team 1: Institutional framework, coordination and partnerships
- Task team 2: Data management and standardization
- Task team 3: Technical interoperability and linking

Creation of inventory of resources:

- Collecting materials that are already available (recommendations, guidelines, tools, courses etc)
- Collecting case studies from countries to add more practical examples

Some examples of good practices

- **Ghana:** Accessing health data for their COVID-19 data hub from Ministry of Health and combining them with own data
- **Cameroon:** Assessing data sources and providing support to administrative data owners based on their skillset – has led to improved access to SDG and other data
- **Kyrgyzstan:** Updating the legal framework to easier facilitate access. Currently in progress of receiving more data at micro level.
- **Nordic countries:** mainly using administrative sources for statistics production

Collaborative on use of administrative data for statistical purposes



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Objective

Members of this initiative work together in a coherent and cross-cutting manner to address both urgent and longer-term needs around the access and use administrative data for statistical purposes, building on advances made in various sectors and by different partners.

The collaborative is a platform to share resources, tools, best practices and experiences, and contributes to raise awareness among all members of national statistical systems about the benefits of sharing and combining administrative sources to enhance the quality, timeliness, coverage and level of disaggregation of statistical data.

Members

Resources are developed collaboratively by partners, with a focus on peer-to-peer learning between National Statistical Offices.

To ensure that the guidance and training materials are readily applicable in a broad range of settings and national contexts, the collaborative includes technical experts from developed and developing countries, and draws on the expertise of UN regional and specialized agencies and other organizations and initiatives.



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