

SDG Data for VNRs in ESCWA Countries

Neda Jafar UN ESCWA jafarn@un.org Workshop to develop evidence-based Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) and SDG reporting: data and statistics innovations

6-7 December 2023, SESCRIC Headquarters, Ankara, Türkiye

5D Strategy

- Data availability
- Disaggregate data
- Disseminate data
- Digitize dataflow
- Data analysis & monitoring for VNR













ESCWA SDMX Converter for SDGs

SDG Data Portal data.unescwa.org

E-Handbook on SDG Metadata









nancing for Development Ffd.unescwa.org

SDG Knowledge & Learning arabsdg.unescwa.org

Monitoring Application for Reporting on SDGs

SDG Data Collection Tool









ab National Development Planning Portal

Arab VNR Portal

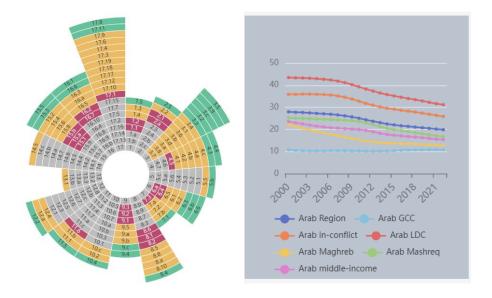
SDG Events unescwa.org

SDG Data: Capacity Development

National Reporting Platforms

- 19 countries with NRPs
- Main source of VNRs
- Support
 - Data compilation
 - Data mining
 - Data discrepancies
 - Data quality as per international standards
- Provide regional averages and projections towards 2030 Targets
- Tracking Progress on SDGs through visualizations for policymaking







Increase data availability

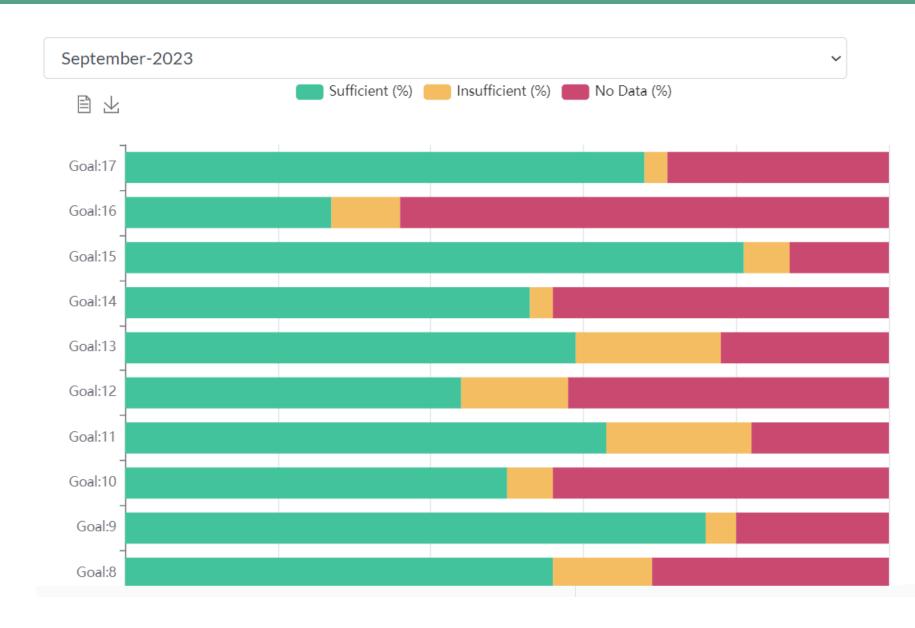


<u>2020-23</u>

205 bilateral meetings

55 regional webinars

130 indicators

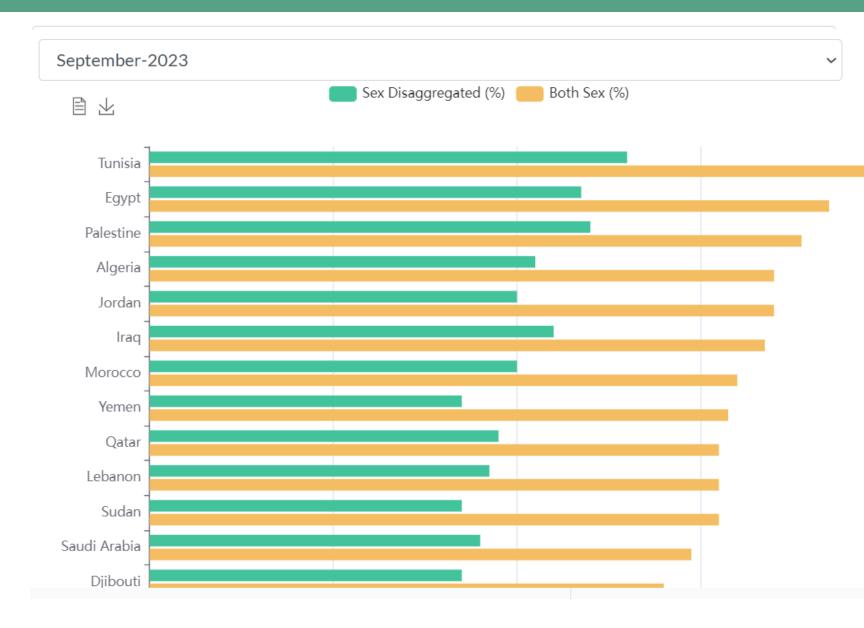


Increase disaggregated data ---

gender and disability statistics









ESCWA SDMX Converter for SDGs

SDMX

 Disseminate timely comparable and quality data by ESCWA SDMX Converter



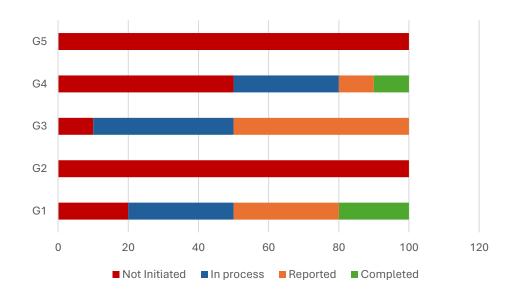
Monitoring Application for Reporting on SDGs

MARS

- Regulates data reporting of indicators from administrative sources from NSS to NSO
- Digitizes dataflow for transparency and accountability

Digitizing Dataflow

Performance		Status stages	
Not Initiated		(!)	No report submitted yet by Data Provider
In Process		Ø	Sent report by Data Provider and received by NSO Coordinator
		S	Returned /In process
Reported		Ø	Sent by NSO Coordinator to Custodian Agency
Completed		Ø	Verified by custodian agency as final data to NSO Coordinator and Data Provider



Status
Goal
Ministry
Custodian Agency

Number of VNRs by Year 6 4 2 2 2 2 2 2016 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023

Enhance VNR

- Organize regional VNR training workshops to build capacity in Agenda 2030 reporting and follow-up and foster peer learning and knowledge-sharing
- Document and disseminate good VNR practices
- Develop VNR manuals and guides (e.g. on mainstreaming gender and migration in VNR)
- Provide technical assistance upon country request to prepare VNR roadmaps, undertake stakeholder consultations and review of VNR draft reports
- Twinning programme for more in-depth bilateral exchanges on specific VNR topics of common interest



Thank you

Neda Jafar UN ESCWA jafarn@un.org