



Update of the Handbook of Statistical Organisation & the Regional Thematic conferences

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How can the Thematic Conferences provide input for the Handbook of Statistical Organisation to address current institutional, organizational and technical challenges in the production of official statistics and indicators?



The Regional Thematic conferences

Thematic conferences concentrate on four themes on how to:

- 1. Strengthen the institutional and organisational frameworks of national statistical systems (linked to CTGAP Strategic Area 1) - *Handbook Chapter III 'The basis of official statistics'; Chapter IV 'The national statistics system'; Chapter V 'The national statistics office'; Chapter VII 'Quality management'*
- 2. Support the transformation and modernisation of statistical production architecture and technology (linked to CTGAP Strategic Area 2 and 3) – *Handbook Chapter XIV 'Information technology management'; Chapter VIII 'Data sources, collection and processing'; Chapter IX 'Analysis and analytical frameworks'; Chapter XI 'Common statistical infrastructure'*



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- 3. Develop and promote policies, innovative strategies and integrated dissemination platforms to ensure proper communication and use of official statistics and data for sustainable development (linked to CTGAP Strategic Area 4) – *Handbook Chapter VI ‘Users and their needs’ ; Chapter X ‘Dissemination and user communication’; Chapter XIII ‘Data, information and knowledge management’*
- 4. Ensure the most effective means of mobilising resources, coordinating efforts and developing multi-stakeholders partnerships to support implementation of country-owned strategies and programmes for the development of official statistics and for monitoring of the 2030 sustainable agenda and related regional/national initiatives (linked to CTGAP Strategic Area 5 and 6) - *Handbook Chapter XII ‘Human resources management and development’ ; Chapter XV ‘Management of finance, buildings and physical space’*



Thematic conferences and the Handbook

Thematic Conferences could :

- Support the drafting, raise awareness and share information on the new Handbook
- Identify regional and sub-regional initiatives to reference in Handbook
- Identify national good practices to inform the various chapters of the Handbook.
- Validate usefulness of content.



Advantages of the new Handbook

- The new Handbook will be a web-based product (Only Chapter 2 will be hard copy)
- Options to print other chapters if needed
- Handbook will become a living document - text and links will be maintained to keep content 'fresh'
- Online content will be maintained by subject-matter experts