Sustainable Development Goals,

A Chance to Empower Turkey’s Statistical System

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Current Situation

• 17 goal 169 target & 241 indicator (88 on Tier III)
• Each indicator not relevant for every country
• Interagency & Expert Group on SDGs (IAEG SDGs – secretariat is UNSD) is in charge of work on indicator list. Works on:
  ✓ Formulating metadata of indicators,
  ✓ Data transfer channel (SDMX) and
  ✓ Geospatial data (as other potential data sources)
  ✓ Financing statistical capacity building with HLG
Current Situation

Example: a flowchart for SDG4 (Education) by UNESCO

Flows of data reporting, dissemination and development

Source: UNESCO Institute for Statistics
Current Situation

• Data compilation will be too complex
• Even sources for indicators under same goal, target & prepared by same responsible institutions vary, (at least 32 UN Agency, UN Programme & Funds, other international bodies involved)
• Data compiled can differ from nationally published data (due to harmonization reasons - unknown to NSOs)
• Thus **national confirmation** for each indicator will probably be necessary?
• But still problems risen from 88 Tier III indicators wait to be solved
What is needed from country perspective

• Long story short: national ownership (2030 Agenda par: 74-a)

• Making relevant SDGs for own country, nationally owned perspective.
• UN perspective also covers only globally compiled data with all complexities. Not interested in what country profiles say or monitoring perspectives

• National & regional priorities will most likely create need for additional indicators (e.g. Eurostat already included regional indicators from Euro 2020 strategy)
What we have done

- Level coordination
- Stocktaking analysis
- Meetings with various INST.
- Coordination with data producers
- Presentations
- Consultation on indicators
- Collaboration on regional studies
- Contribution to HLPF 2016 report
- Distribution of responsibilities in official statistics programme
What we have done

What we have done: 2 level coordination

On international level:

- Discussions & consulted on the formulation of indicators: UNSD, UNFPA, etc.
- Participation on regional work groups,
  - Steering Group on Roadmap for SDGs.
  - Task Force for Adjusting CES Framework according to SDGs
  - UNECE Pilot Study
What we have done

On national level:

- Stocktaking study has been realized

Available indicators

- Producers
- Data sources
- Disaggregation

Non-available indicators

- Potential producer
- Possibility to produce in the short run
- Already started
- Proxy indicator
- Evaluations & recommendations of producing unit
What we have done

On national level:

- First results of inventory work obtained;

Produced – Non Produced Distribution

- Produced: 108 (45%)
- Non produced: 133 (55%)
What we have done

Producing Institution

- TurkStat: 53 (49%)
- External institution: 55 (51%)

Potential producer status for non-produced

- TurkStat: 28 (23.7%)
- External institution: 90 (76.3%)
What we have done

- G1: Poverty
- G2: Nutrition
- G3: Health
- G4: Education
- G5: Gender
- G6: Water
- G7: Energy
- G8: Econ/Labor
- G9: Infrastructure
- G10: Inequality
- G11: Cities
- G12: Consump/Prod
- G13: Climate
- G14: Oceans
- G15: Biodiversity
- G16: Institutions
- G17: Global Assistance

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OTHER RESPONSIBLE INST.
NON AVAILABLE
What we have done

On national level:

- Coordination role on national level, started with consulting other data producers
- Contributed to HLPF 2016 Report
- Possibly will work further actively with MoD

Official Statistics Programme (OSP)

- On the way to distribute institutional responsibilities for each indicator on legal basis (3rd Official Statistics Programme 2017-2021, to be decreed by council of ministers)
  - Presented in OSP Thematic Working Groups
  - Informed in Statistical Council
Further Steps

National Development Plan;

• 11th National Development Plan 2019-2023

• National Sustainable Development Commission (NSDC)

• Other stakeholders should update their institutional strategic plans to improve data collection
Further steps

• Concluding the national inventory of SDGs indicators list
• Compiling available indicators
• Effectively disseminate them through a web portal

• Improve global list where necessary
• due to Turkey’s priorities
• Also consider additional indicators
• of regional coverage
Opportunity to improve NSS

Successfully having:

• Legal foundation (OSP 2017-2021),
• Effective distribution of responsibilities,
• National ownership represented in political ownership and covers all other data producers,

Will result in

✓ Improving administrative records,
✓ And exploring of new potential data sources (Big data etc.)...
Opportunity to improve NSS

• Platform to share best country experiences on SDGs,
• Improve data transmission mechanisms,
• Opportunity to improve data dissemination formats (interactive structures, infographics, dashboards etc.)
Thank you