

Workplan – activities for 2023 and forward towards SSC data reporting



South-South
Cooperation

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Introduction

- Large representation by country but also institutions: “Two sides of the story”
- Ideal institutional scenario but still possible for countries to embark in SDG reporting while strengthening statistical capacity, collaboration between agencies and resource mobilization

Outlines

- General approach and main takeaways
- Timelines

Approach for upcoming activities

- Agreement that measurement of SSC could appear as a daunting task: many key areas to be improved
 - Pragmatic approach, “step-by step”
- Move forward on two fronts at the same time:
 - start SDG reporting as soon as possible
 - implement activities to strengthen statistical and institutional capabilities of countries

SDG reporting

- Very important to start the reporting for all institutions:
 - ✓ Power to create a momentum on the technical ground with staff concretely looking for solutions to enable it
 - ✓ Raise awareness about the existence of the CF but also about the importance of SSC among relevant stakeholders (“sensitization”)
 - ✓ Encourage other countries to do so
 - ✓ Ensure that the standard of the measurement remains owned by southern countries as expressed by them and space not taken by unreliable/undesired data

SDG reporting

- To allow SDG reporting:
 - Proceeds with waves of data reporting
 - Also enable “partial” reporting in terms of:
 - i. Activities under the CF
 - ii. Fields in the dataset
 - Data would be specifically labeled as “experimental” and flagged with specific metadata (to be seen with UNSD)
 - Invite 8-10 countries to work with us to have a first “experimental” reporting by February 2024 with the best they can collect in light of their statistical and institutional limitations

Activities

- In the meantime, we will implement the activities to strengthen the capacity in the long term to achieve full SDG reporting in the terms of the CF
- This way: virtuous process

Actions

- Create a community of practice on SSC measurement / engage experts from this meeting
- Platform to share materials on SSC measurement (UNCTAD project webpage link)
- Prepare a draft practical manual for filling the Framework with data (already outlines)
- Prepare the second international meeting in December 2023 on data collection tools
 - The draft manual will be discussed
 - Countries which have explored experimental SDG reporting decide if they indeed want to report
 - Hands-on workshop with study cases
 - Looking for a venue

Draft manual: outlines

1. Introduction

- Why measure SSC? What national objectives does it serve?
- Among large number of SSC actors, who should be involved?
- What mechanisms and information flows should be put in place?

2. International background

- Background, mandate from the UN Statistical Commission
- Process to develop the Framework
- Global roles – custodianship? Global/regional/sectoral actors
international – country

3. Framework to measure SSC

- Elements of the framework
- Types of activities
- Concepts and definitions

4. National institutional set-up

SSC focal points and ecosystems
Mapping of agencies
Data sharing and collaboration

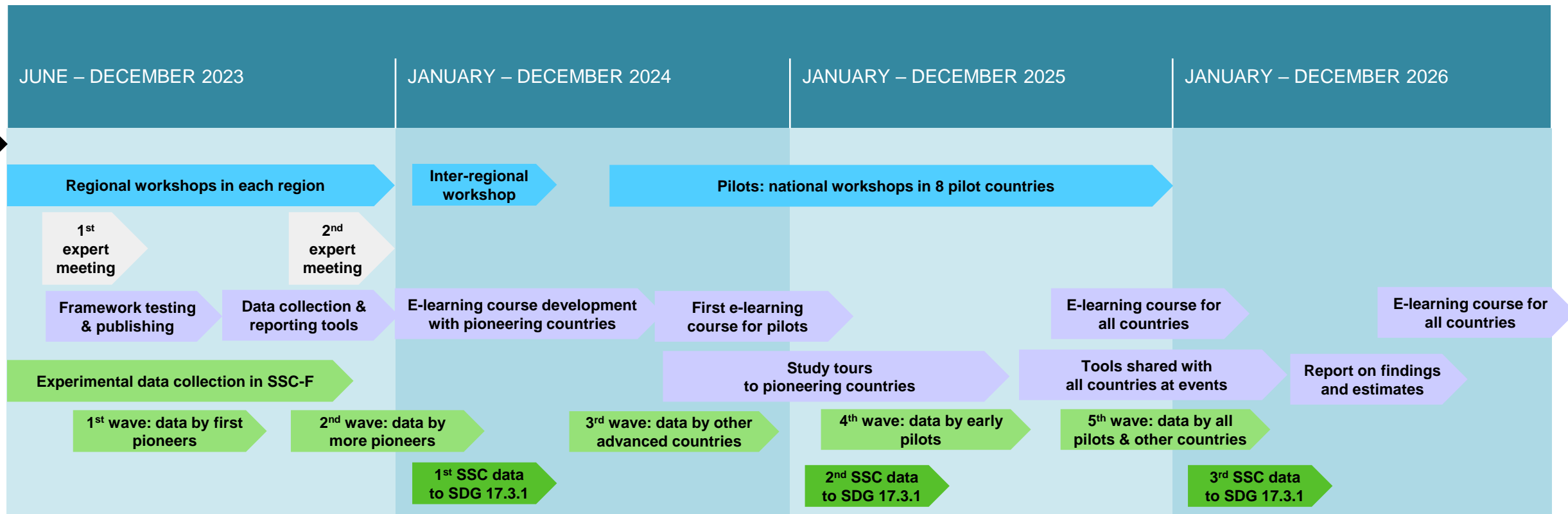
5. Data sources

Data availability review: What data exists and with whom?
Data collection process and technology
Survey and variables for data collection

6. South-South cooperation in SDG indicator 17.3.1

Elements of the indicator
Indicator metadata
Role of SSC data and mechanisms for its inclusion

Timeline for data reporting vs. project



SDG reporting timelines – 2023 to 2026

2030 Agenda

17 PARTNERSHIPS
FOR THE GOALS



Goal 17 – Revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

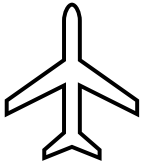
- **Target 17.3:** Mobilize additional financial resources for developing countries from multiple sources
- **Indicator 17.3.1:** Foreign direct investments (FDI), official development assistance and South-South Cooperation as a proportion of total domestic budget

- **February 2024:** SDG Custodian agencies submit SDG indicator data reported by countries to the Global SDG Database, **target 8-10 countries**
- **February 2025:** **target 10-20 countries**
- **February 2026:** **target 20-30 countries**
- Reporting can start with a provisional status, and countries can cover only fields they can fill with data, and expand comprehensiveness.
- Tools and resources will be shared and advice given to all interested countries to enable data reporting.
- Data can also be submitted to the SDG database during the year if needed

Thank you!



Workplan to start reporting SSC to inform SDG 17.3.1



- **May – October 2023:** Experimental data collection by pioneering countries and first pilots
- **July 2023:** First **expert meeting** focusing on studies by pioneering countries, and planning for broader pilots



- **September 2023:** Framework published extended based on expert meeting discussions
- **May – September 2023:** First wave of data reporting on SSC to UNCTAD
- **September - December 2023:** **Event organized in each region** to share the SSC Framework and advance measurement of SSC, back-to-back to existing meetings of Regional Commissions



- **September - December 2023:** Development of data collection, compilation and reporting tools
- **December 2023:** Refinement of tools at the second **expert meeting, and planning of e-learning**
- **October 2023 – February 2024:** Second wave of data reporting on SSC to UNCTAD
- **February 2024:** UNCTAD reports first experimental SSC data to SDG 17.3.1