

Global project to pilot test the Framework

Training workshop

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Outline

SDG Indicator Framework

Survey

Global project

South-South cooperation on the SDG indicator framework



In 2020, the UN Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators established a Working group on development support.

The Working Group developed a proposal for SDG Indicator 17.3.1, defining key measurement principles and main components of development support, including South-South cooperation.

17.3.1 'Additional financial resources mobilized for developing countries from multiple sources'

UNCTAD and OECD co-custodians of the indicator for different flows

Voluntary Conceptual Framework on South-South Cooperation endorsed by the UN Statistical Commission in March 2022

Developed by southern countries (Tanzania, South Africa, Ghana, Egypt, China, India, Brazil, Colombia, Mexico and Russia being an observer) for southern countries under the umbrella of the UN.

UNSC asked UNCTAD to enable reporting of South-South cooperation, and related capacity development



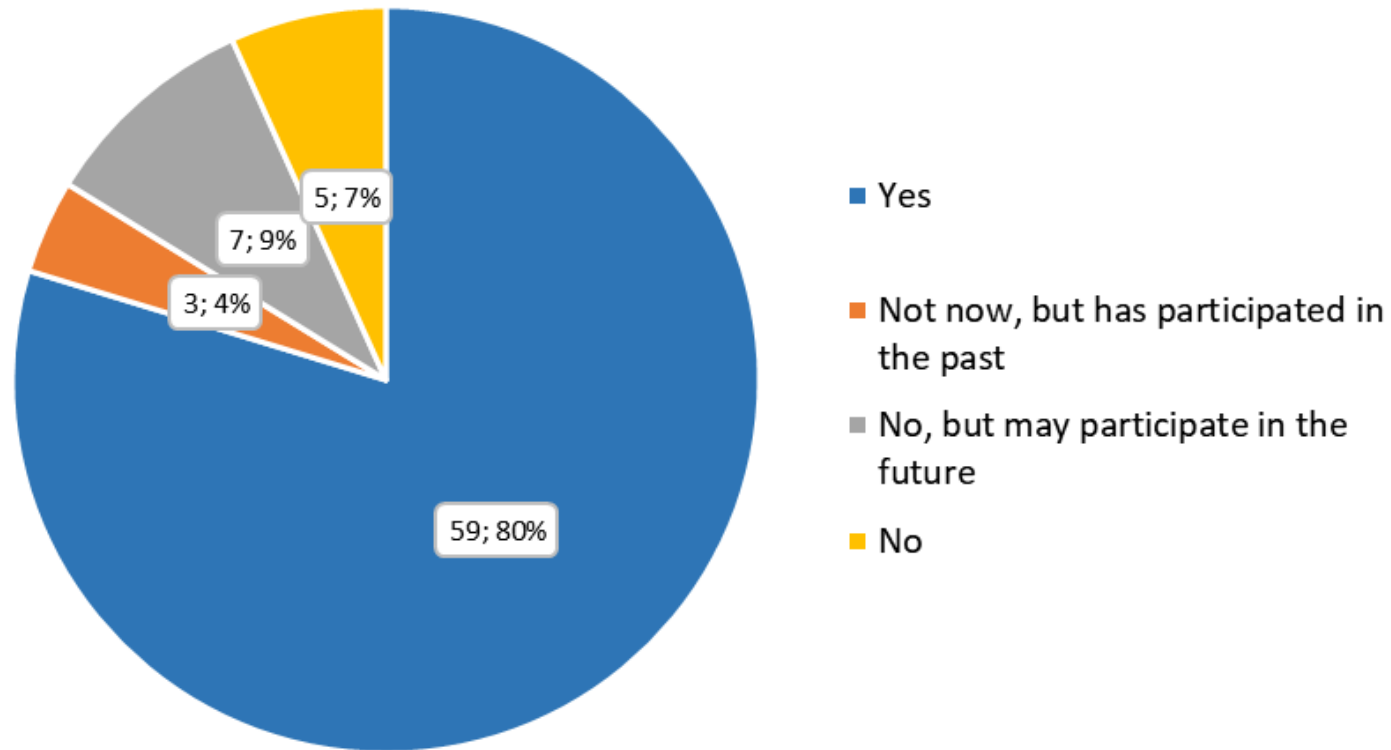
Stocktaking survey on SSC data and capacity

- The survey was designed by UN Trade and Development in consultation with partners and with advice from the UNOSSC.
- It was sent in December 2022 to the National Statistical Office (NSO) of developing economies – invited to engage with relevant agencies in the country to complete the survey, such as the Development Cooperation Agency (DCA), central bank and relevant ministries, as needed.
- As of November 22nd, 2023, 74 countries had responded to the survey, representing an average participation rate of about 47.4%



80% of developing economies play a role in South-South cooperation

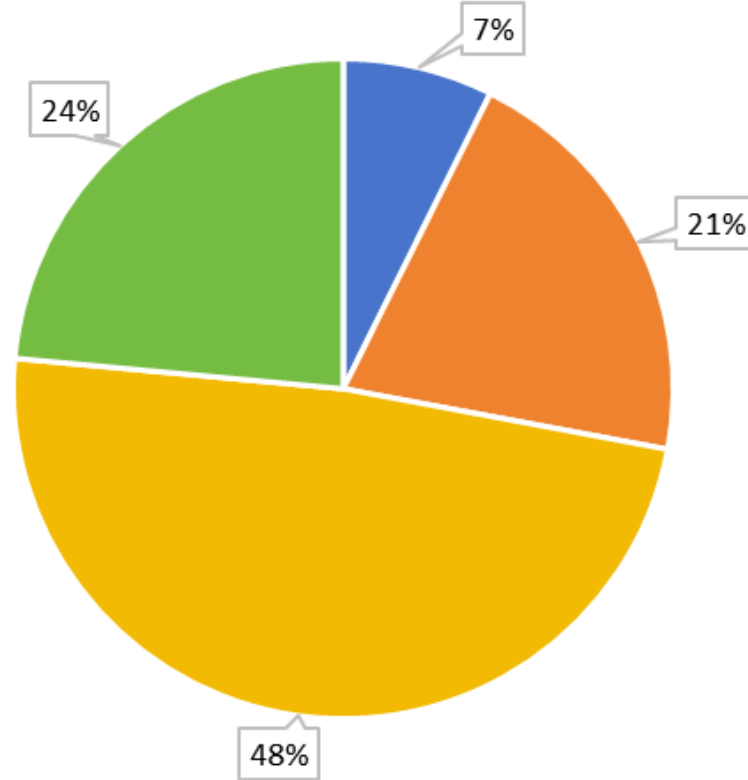
Does your country participate in SSC?



Source: UNCTAD.

48% of responding countries are planning or wish to report data on South-South cooperation in the next 1-2 years with technical support

When do you plan to report data on SSC for SDG indicator 17.3.1?



Source: UNCTAD.

n (>5 years)

Medium term (3-5 years)

Near future (1-2 years)

Now (ASAP)

Key findings

- Countries showed strong willingness to engage, strengthen capacities and start measuring South-South cooperation for the SDGs.



- Collaboration will be key to measuring South-South cooperation.
- Most often the key agencies to participate in collecting or sharing data are the **ministries of foreign affairs, finance, economy and planning, national statistical offices, development cooperation agencies and central banks.**



- Overall, countries asked for **technical training, sharing of experience** (study visits and meetings), **methodological materials, financial support, advise and tools.**

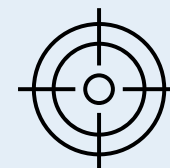


- The **statistical capacity** (80%) and **collaboration between agencies** (71%) and **resource availability** (62%) were identified as the key areas for improvement.

Global project to enhance capacities under the UN Development Account



Team: UNCTAD with
UNSD, **ECA**, **ECLAC**,
ESCAP, **ESCWA**
Partners welcome!



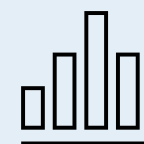
To strengthen
developing countries'
capacity to measure
and report data on
South-South
cooperation to manage
and mobilize resources
for the 2030 Agenda

Jordan
Qatar

Malaysia
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Support 8
developing
countries from
Africa, Asia and
Latin America to
measure SSC



Ecuador
Peru

Namibia
Nigeria



Guidance to national authorities

Manual for the Framework to Measure South-South Cooperation



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Draft by the countries of the South
for the countries of the South!

UNCTAD and partners' support



Project components

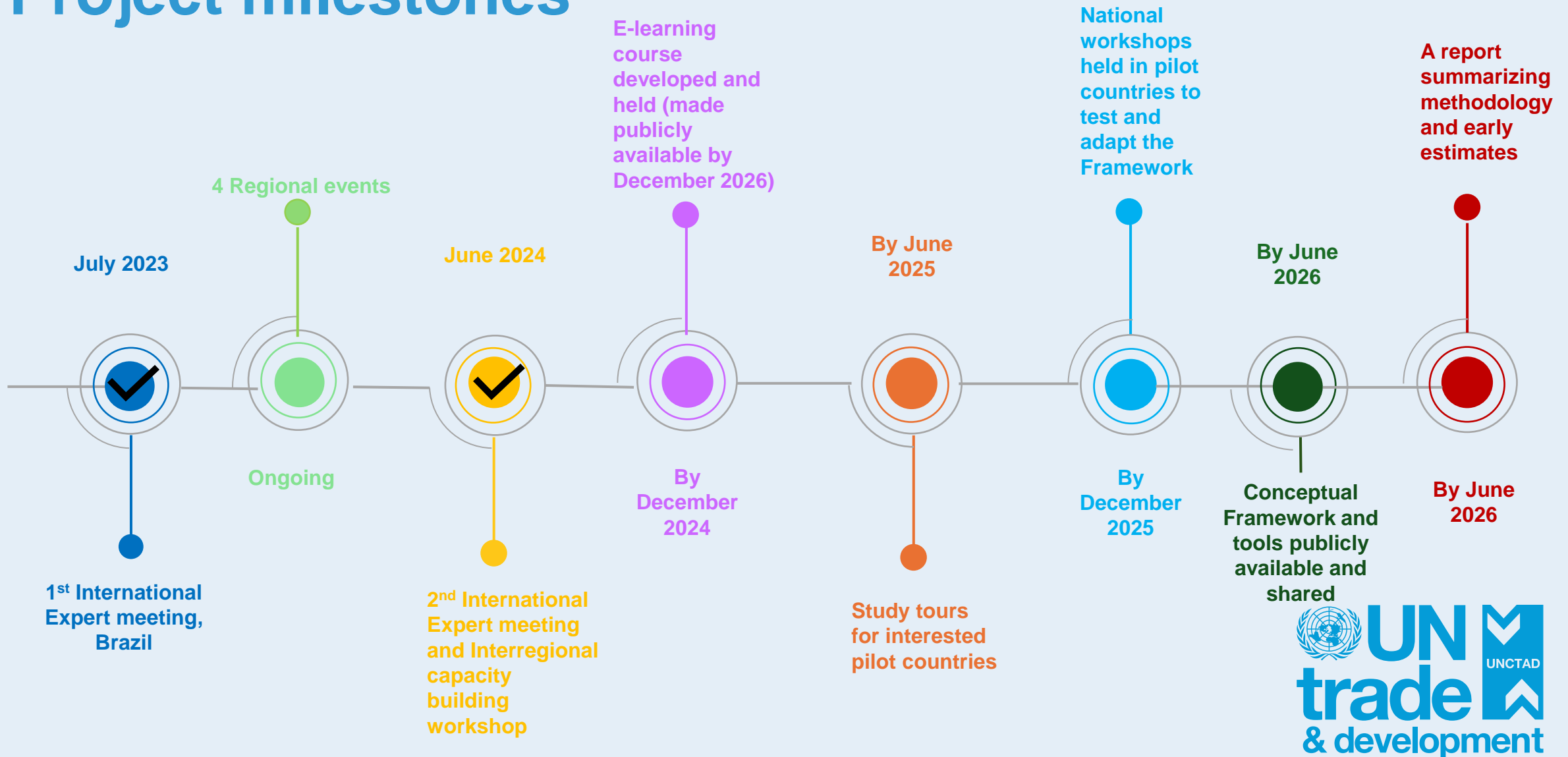
The **first phase** (create) will consist of preparing the ground for action by raising awareness in regional events and testing the framework, tools and resources for data collection, compilation and reporting.

The **second phase** (master) will apply these resources to pilot countries starting with peer learning in an inter-regional workshop, e-learning, study tours to pioneering or other countries as useful, and national workshops to build the capacity of national stakeholders to measure and report SSC.

The **third phase** (expand) will share the tools, findings and resources with national and global stakeholders.



Project milestones



Pilot studies to test the Framework

Depending on country context, pilots will involve the following steps:



Mapping of agencies and data sources

Identify agencies with mandates and data

Review information that exists on South-South cooperation

Assess the legal framework for measuring South-South cooperation

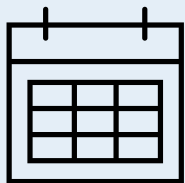


Pilot data compilation

Form a technical inter-agency cooperation group and mechanisms

Collect data and identify gaps to test the framework

Compile aggregates on South-South cooperation flows



Future planning

Share outcomes and lessons learned

Provide feedback to refine the framework, methods and tools

Inform national action plans to address priority data gaps



In-country activities will be supported by a national/regional consultant.

<https://unctad.org/meeting/inter-regional-expert-meeting-measurement-south-south-cooperation>

