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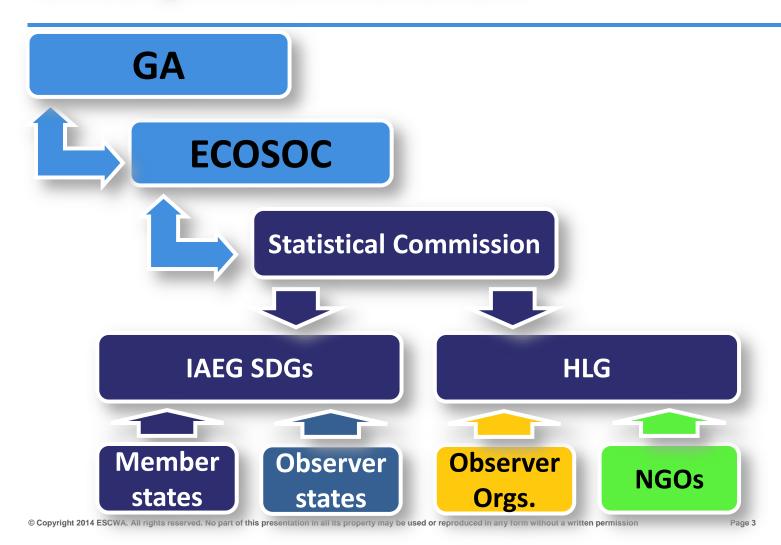
### TRANSFORMATIVE AGENDA FOR OFFICIAL STATISTICS IN THE CONTEXT OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



## Coordination between global, regional and national levels

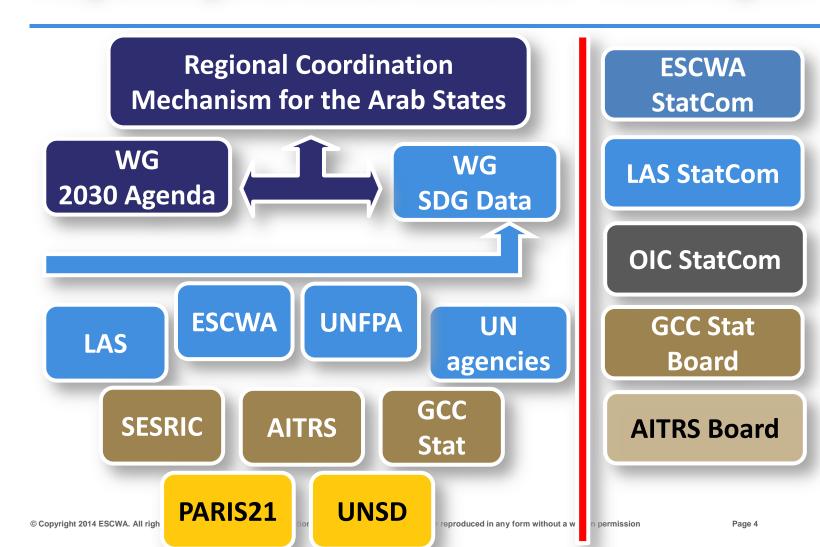


#### Global governance structure





#### Regional governance structure – Arab region





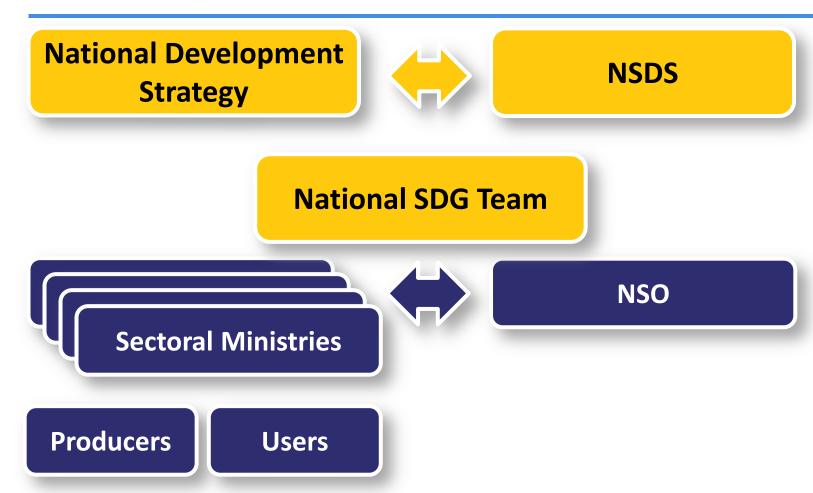
#### Ways to improve coordination – Arab region

- Common inter-governmental platform
- Link the inter-agency and inter-governmental mechanisms
- Arab Action Plan

Maintain representation at the global level

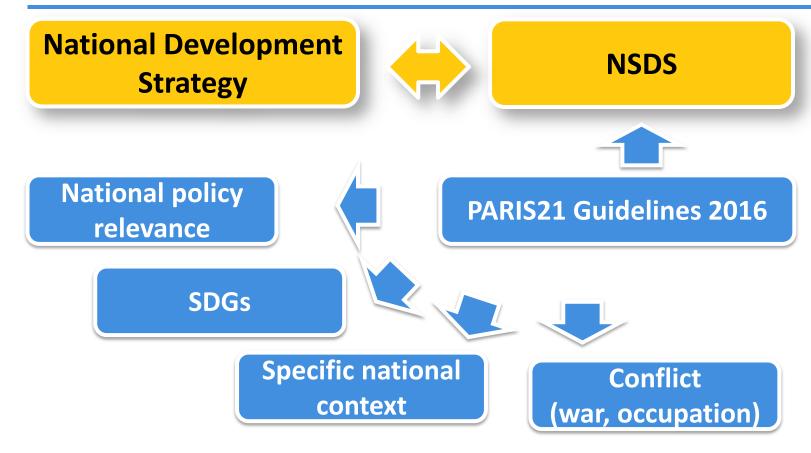


#### **National governance structure**





#### **NSDS** Guidelines





# Preliminary assessment of SDG data availability in the Arab region



#### Data availability for the Arab region

Average availability of data / per goal / per country:







3 and more data points





































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#### Data availability in Arab states

Number of countries with data availability per goal:

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## Global and regional data collection



#### Global and regional SDG data

- Standards based
- Nationally sourced (to the extent possible)

- Addressing gaps and inconsistencies
- Reducing reporting burden
- Communication with NSS prior to the release



#### Challenge – addressing gaps

**Official SDG** data **Statistics** needs

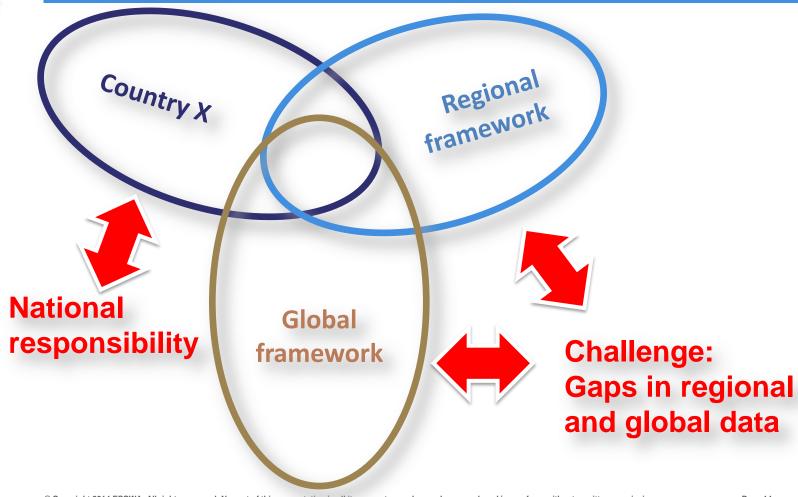
**Data sources** outside official statistics



- Standards based
- Role of statistical agencies (NSS, IOs)
- Role of partners
  - Research
  - Civil society
  - Private sector



#### National, regional and global data needs





#### Reporting burden on NSOs/NSSs

Data demand at the national/sub-national level

Country may belong to several regional/subregional contexts

High global data reporting demand



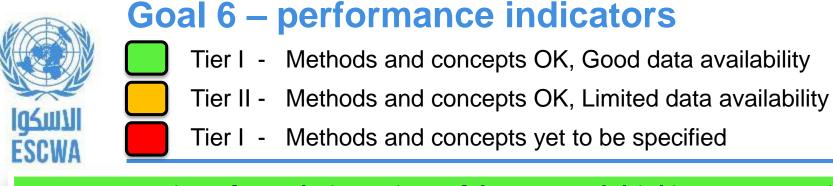
#### Global and regional SDG data

- Modernizing statistical business processes (GSBPM)
- New sources of data outside the traditional scope of official statistics (admin.data, research, civil society, Big Data,...)
- ICT strategies for NSOs/NSSs

- Sharing knowledge
- Pooling technology
- New approach to global/regional reporting



## **Example:**Water related indicators



- 6.1.1 Proportion of population using safely managed drinking water services
- 6.2.1 Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services, including a hand-washing facility with soap and water
- 6.3.1 Proportion of wastewater safely treated
- 6.3.2 Proportion of bodies of water with good ambient water quality
- 6.4.1 Change in water-use efficiency over time
- 6.4.2 Level of water stress: freshwater withdrawal as a proportion of available freshwater resources
- 6.5.1 Degree of integrated water resources management implementation (0-100)
- 6.5.2 Proportion of transboundary basin area with an operational arrangement for water cooperation
- 6.6.1 Change in the extent of water-related ecosystems over time



#### Goal 6 - means of implementation

- Tier I Methods and concepts OK, Good data availability
  - Tier II Methods and concepts OK, Limited data availability
  - Tier I Methods and concepts yet to be specified
- 6.a.1 Amount of water- and sanitation-related official development assistance that is part of a government-coordinated spending plan
- 6.b.1 Proportion of local administrative units with established and operational policies and procedures for participation of local communities in water and sanitation management



#### Water data availability in Arab states

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No data 1-2 data points 3 and more data points

Access to improved water source (% of population)	22	0	0
Access to improved sanitation facilities (% of population with access)	22	0	0
Proportion of total water resources used, percentage	10	12	0
Annual freshwater withdrawals, total (% of internal resources)	18	3	1
Water withdrawal by sector	22	0	0
Annual freshwater withdrawals, agriculture (% of total)	19	3	0
Annual freshwater withdrawals, domestic (% of total)	19	3	0
Annual freshwater withdrawals, industry (% of total)	19	3	0
Total water withdrawal per capita	10	12	0
Water footprint	0	22	0
Wastewater	17	4	1
Organic water pollutant (BOD) emissions per day (kg/day)	6	5	11
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- **Coordination:** national regional global
- **❖** Addressing gaps, new data sources
- Innovation and modernization, use of technology
- Interated statistical systems
- Communication and advocacy

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#### **THANK YOU**

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