SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTH: THE EXPERIENCE OF SESRIC

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SSC: Concept, History, Features, Principles, Modalities

SESRIC: Mandates and Member Countries of the OIC

SESRIC Experience in SSC: Statistics, Research and Training
SSC: THE CONCEPT

Sharing/transferring knowledge/skills/expertise/resources through various modalities in order to meet development goals.

Fostering self-reliance of developing countries by **enhancing their capacities** to find solutions to their development problems while keeping with their own **aspirations, values, and special needs**.
The end of World War II; Newly independent Southern countries coalesced around shared political aspirations; establishment of the Arab League

1945

The 1st UNCTAD Conference and the establishment of the group G-77 in UN with a view to promoting south-south cooperation for development

1955

In the first large-scale Asian-African Conference ‘the Bandung Conference’ in Indonesia, Representatives from 29 nations unanimously adopted a 10 point “declaration on promotion of world peace & cooperation”

1964

The 1st High-Level UN Conference on SSC in Buenos Aires “Conference of the Global South on Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries (TCDC)”. The adoption of the Buenos Aires Plan of Action (BAPA) for Promoting & Implementing TCDC

1978
On the occasion of the 30th anniversary of the 1st UN Conference on SSC, the High-level UN Conference on SSC in Kenya resulted in the **Nairobi outcome document** that highlights the roles of national governments, regional entities, & UN agencies in supporting & implementing South-South & triangular cooperation.

The 9th non-aligned movement summit established an international organization originally known as the “**group for south-south Consultation and Coordination**”

The 2nd High-Level UN Conference on SSC celebrating the 40th anniversary of **Buenos Aires Plan of Action (BAPA+40 Conference)**. Buenos Aires outcome document was adopted to guide the South-South cooperation of the future.
SSC: SPECIFIC FEATURES

- CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT
- HORIZONTAL PARTNERSHIP
- DIVERSITY OF CHOICES
- COST EFFECTIVENESS
- DEMAND DRIVEN CHARACTER
- ADAPTABILITY
SSC: PRINCIPLES

- Non-Interference in Internal National Interests or issues
- Considering Sensitivity to Specific Contexts
- Promoting Self-Sufficiency
- Respect for Independence & National Sovereignty
- Ensuring Equality between Partner Countries
- Preference for the Use of Local Resources
- Diversification of Ideas
- Simplicity & Speed of Execution
- More Flexibility
- Preservation of Diversity & Cultural Identity
- Adaptation to National Priorities
SSC: MODALITIES

- **SHARING EXPERIENCES AND GOOD PRACTICES**
  Exchange of knowledge, experience, and expertise among countries

- **STRENGTHENING OF NETWORKS**
  Several institutions from difference countries form a network and work together within this network

- **CAPACITY BUILDING**
  Increasing the ability of a southern country to promote development through enhancing institutional (equipment purchase) and human resources capacities (trainings)

- **PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT**
  Setting up a common developmental project (Joint venture)
Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC)

Subsidiary organ of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC)

Resolution No. 2/8-E adopted by the 8th Islamic Conference of Foreign Ministers (ICFM), held in Tripoli in May 1977

Operating in Ankara, Republic of Turkey since June 1978.
THE MANDATES OF SESRIC: SESRIC’S ROLE IN STRENGTHENING SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

SOUTH-SOUTH COOPERATION

STATISTICS

RESEARCH

TRAINING
- **24.4%** of total world population and **39.7%** of total population of Non-OIC Developing Countries
  - [51.6% of total OIC population are aged 0 – 24 (Young People)]
- **56.9%** of global proven Natural Gas reserves and **64.4%** of global proven Crude Oil reserves
- **28.4%** of total Agricultural Land in the world

- 8.1% of World Production, 9.6% of World Merchandise Exports, 5.8% of total World FDI Stocks
- Economic Activities are Concentrated in few countries (70% by only 10 Countries)
South-South in Action: Transforming Potentials into Shared Prosperity

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Access the report at https://www.sesric.org
COMPILING AND DISSEMINATING STATISTICS TO FACILITATE SSC

Data and Information Hub on OIC MCs

The only OIC cooperation fora in the domain of statistics

SESRIC Statistical Capacity Building Programme

Yearbooks, Outlooks, and others

OICStat & Other Tools

Statistical Publications

OIC-StatCom

StatCaB
Flagship
Capacity Building Program

Year of Initiation
2007

Biennial
StatCaB Questionnaire

Analysis and Identification

Matching
the statistical needs and capacities of OIC countries

Achievements
309 StatCaB activities organised, for the benefit of 51 OIC countries, provided by 26 OIC countries

Modalities
Short-term Statistical Training Courses, Technical Missions, Workshops, and Online Courses
RELEVANCE OF OIC-STATCOM TO SSC


Secretariat by SESRIC.

Covering the most recent international statistical agenda.

Acts as the only cooperation fora for exchanging experiences among the OIC countries to develop statistical capacity.

A unique approach for strengthening solidarity among members based on South-South Cooperation principles.
To study and evaluate the economic and social developments in the member countries to help generate proposals that will initiate and enhance co-operation among them.
Utilizing research to promote South-South cooperation

Proposing broad policy recommendations and cooperation project ideas

Using policy research to facilitate the development and implementation of critical strategic frameworks

Active involvement in the monitoring and evaluation of strategic frameworks in OIC member countries

Evaluating the performance of OIC Countries (as a group) using key indicators

Identifying problems, challenges and prospects

Highlighting success stories

Knowledge exchange

Policy coherence
SESRIC CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMMES: MATCHING NEEDS AND CAPACITIES

- Central Banks
- Agriculture
- Health
- Stock Exchanges
- Public Audit
- Railway

- Diplomacy
- Tourism
- Environment
- Poverty Alleviation
- Treasury
- Cotton
Training Course on “Conflict Resolution and Mediation” for Junior Diplomats from OIC Member Countries, November 2019
Sixth Meeting of the Monitoring and Advisory Committee (MAC), December 2019
SESRTC TECHNICAL COOPERATION MODALITIES

- MOUs
- Networks
- Portals
- Reverse Linkages
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