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1. The success of the Statistical Commission.

- June 2015 to March 2016: Inter-agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goal Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) worked very intensively
- Inclusive, open and transparent process - involving a large number of stakeholders, through repeated interactive consultations – process lead by the countries' Chief Statisticians
- Statistical Commission agrees with the list of 230 global SDG indicators as a “practical starting point, subject to future technical refinement”
- Commission recognizes “that development of robust, high-quality indicator framework is a technical process that will need to continue over time, [...] and requested IAEG-SDGs to provide its proposals and a plan for reviews of indicator framework to 48th session of Statistical Commission”.
- Indicators for regional, national and subnational levels of monitoring to be developed at the regional and national levels
- Commission emphasizes need for coordination, capacity building and disaggregation.

2. Inter-Agency and Expert Group on Sustainable Development Indicators (IAEG-SDG).

- March meeting Mexico City: First step: assessment of the status of indicators – system of 3 tiers:
Tier I: an established methodology exists and data are already widely available;
Tier II: a methodology has been established but for which data are not easily available; and
Tier III: an internationally agreed methodology has not yet been developed.
- Currently IAEG-SDG is reviewing with international agencies existing standards and current data flows (end of July).
- Creation of 4 subgroups: Disaggregation, SDMX, Geospatial Information, Interlinkages
- Elaborate a strategy to develop Tier III indicators
- Propose refinement of indicator framework (March 2017)

3. High Level Group for partnership, coordination and capacity-building for statistics (HLG).

- May meeting in Budapest/Hungary;
- Decision on First UN World Data Forum, to be held in Capetown/South Africa 16-18 January 2017 as a multi-stakeholder discussion and exchange platform
- Discussion on Global Action Plan for Statistics

4. Our Collective Challenge: Build National Information Systems for the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.

- Define what we want to measure – notion of sustainable development based on national priorities
- Decide on new methodologies for new policy areas
- Integrate non-traditional data sources e.g. Big Data
- Develop a full National Information System