

Regional initiatives in support of SDG implementation in Asia-Pacific

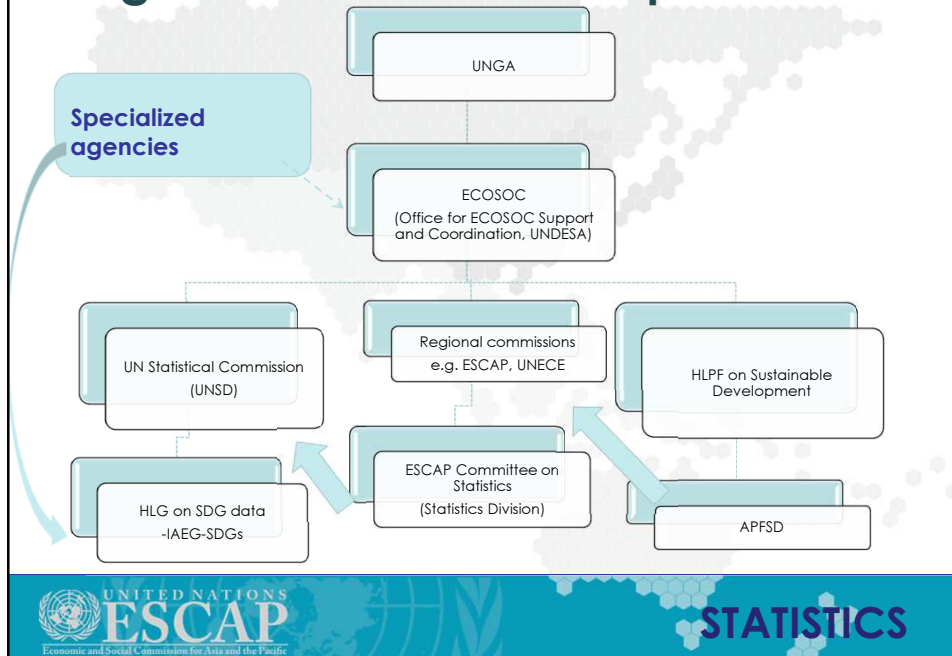
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Intergovernmental landscape for SDGs



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ESCAP is placed at the center for monitoring and review of the SDGs

- ESCAP's annual Commission sessions focus on SDG-related issues, e.g.
- Annual Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development (APFSD)
- Regional data user-producer forum important to raise awareness of statistical issues (e.g. in policy community) and policy priorities (among producers)
- Regional Roadmap for implementing the 2030 Agenda



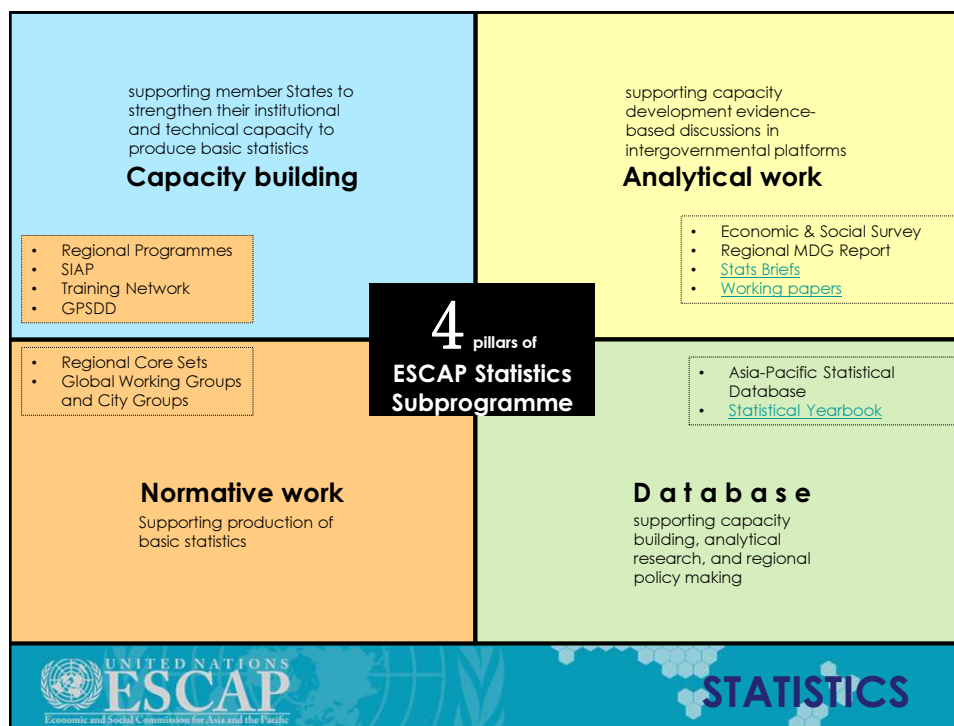
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ESCAP Committee on Statistics

- Biennial meeting place for leaders of NSSs
- High level of interaction with member countries during and between sessions
- Have guided regional/subregional consultations on statistics & data in support of global & regional monitoring (IAEG & HLG)
- Will support integration of SDGs monitoring & statistics/data in national development plans (Collective Vision and subregional workshops)



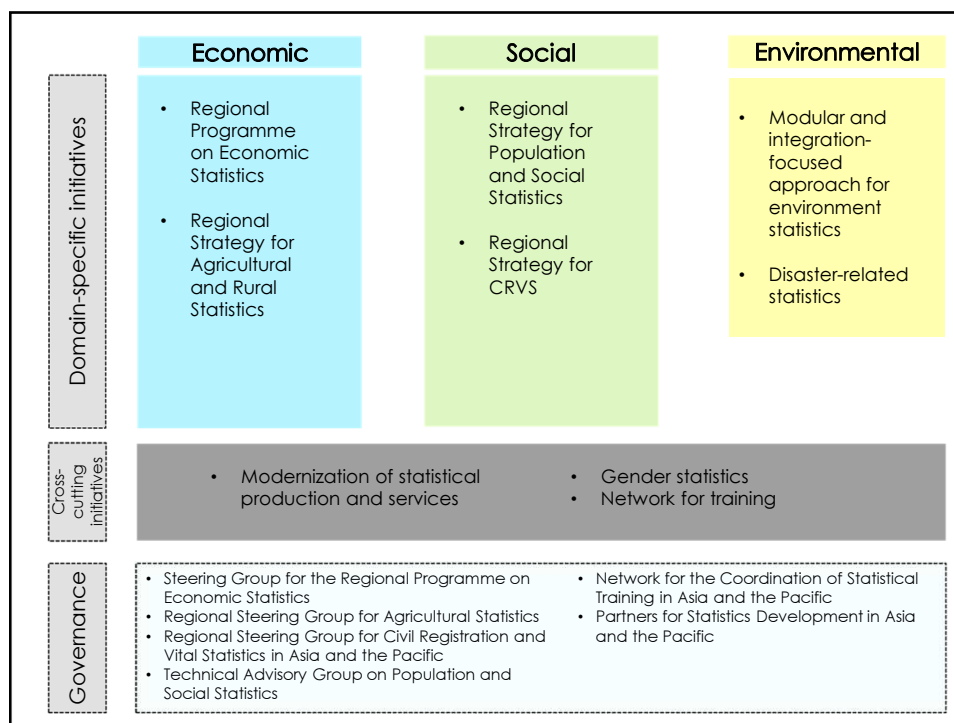
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ESCAP provides a data hub for the region

- The Statistical Database covers the region and contains over 600 data series on a wide range of topics on population, education, health, poverty and inequalities, gender, economy, environment and connectivity
- Data being repackaged and presented in line with the SDG requirements



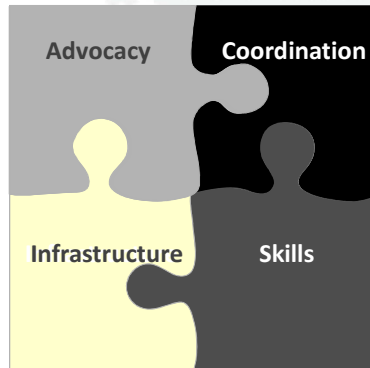


The case of Economic Statistics

- **Multi-year Regional Programme** on Economic Statistics embedded in the intergovernmental process
- Guided by **Steering Group for RPES** (heads of macroeconomic statistics departments from NSOs and CBs and international organizations)
- **4 Task Forces** leading the work on Capacity Screening Round II, Statistical Business Registers, Quality Assurance Frameworks for Economic Statistics and the substantive organization of the Asia-Pacific Economic Statistics Week 2017

RPES outputs organized in 4 categories to deliver an inspiring 2020 vision and measurable progress

4 categories of outputs ...



...to deliver our 2020 common vision...

NSSs in Asia-Pacific have capacity to produce & disseminate the Core Set in line with international standards

...and reach our key goal of RPES

Improved soundness of economic analysis & decision making through increased availability and effective use of timely, reliable and comparable economic statistics

Principles of ESCAP's economic statistics projects

- **Focus** on institutional, organizational and domain-specific issues (Peer Reviews)
- **Improve** underlying data for main national accounts indicators (including the SEEA) and business statistics (In-depth assessments & following research and technical assistance)
- **Build** capability not only for routine data production but also for understanding the statistics and scrutinizing the quality of statistics (National research projects)
- **Develop** institutional capacity for training (Materials, ToTs)
- **Coordinate** all of this under the NSO's leadership together with all concerned national agencies and development partners

Spotlight on the Resource Facility

- ESCAP Resource Facility is a pool of **funds** that supports **national statistical systems** to undertake analytical and research studies for developing economic statistics
- Allows countries to apply for funding to conduct national studies in line with national plans and geared towards developing statistics
- National studies become regional knowledge

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