

FORGING PARTNERSHIPS IN STATISTICAL TRAINING IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

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ABOUT PARIS21

- Goal: evidence-based policy making and implementation
- Purpose: greater demand, availability, and use of better statistics and statistical analysis
- PARIS21 website is www.paris21.org.



PARTNERSHIP

- Between statisticians, analysts, policy makers and development professionals
- Between developed, transitional and developing countries
- PARIS21 works mainly at the international and regional levels, through:
 - Advocacy
 - Facilitation





STATISTICS FOR DEVELOPMENT in the 21st CENTURY

Need for statistics and strategic approaches has been reinforced by:

- Managing for Development Results
- Poverty Reduction Strategies
- Millennium Development Goals





NATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF STATISTICS

The main objective of the 2004-2006 PARIS21 Work programme: To encourage all developing countries to have a National Strategy for the Development of Statistics (NSDS) by 2006 fits well with Marrakech Action Plan for Statistics aim: "to mainstream strategic planning of statistical systems and prepare (NSDSs) for all low-income countries by 2006."





NSDS KEY PRINCIPLES (1)

- Nationally led and owned, with high level political support and champions
- Demand-focused and integrated within national development policy processes
- Developed in an inclusive and consultative way
- Assess all statistical sectors and user needs and provide a vision and strategic plan for national statistics
- Set out an integrated statistical development programme





NSDS KEY PRINCIPLES (2)

- Address institutional and organisational constraints and processes, including resources
- Build quality "fit for purpose"
- Build on what exists and continue to satisfy immediate needs during the design process
- Respond to user needs but be realistic about resources
- Serve as a coherence framework for international support for statistical development





VALUE ADDED OF NSDS DESIGN APPROACH

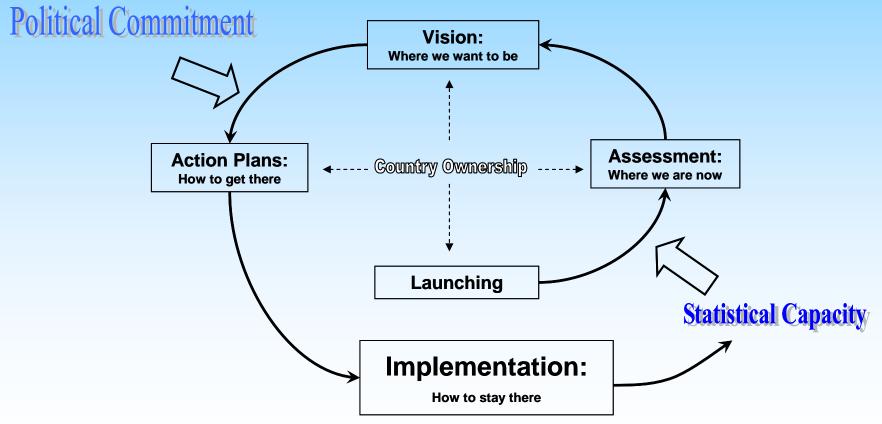
Merges best practice from:

- Existing statistical processes (GDDS, MISP, etc.) and UN Fundamental Principles
- Inclusive, participatory development processes (e.g., Poverty Reduction Strategies in developing countries)
- Organisational development and management





MAIN FEATURES OF NSDS DESIGN (1)





HOW CAN PARIS21 HELP(1)?

NSDS Essentials and key principles

Making the case

- Guide to designing an NSDS
- Guide to implementing the strategy

Knowledge Base





HOW CAN PARIS21 HELP (2)?

Advocacy:

- Role of statistics in development
- Need for strategic planning
- NSDS as a coherence framework for statistical capacity building and donor support
- Range of advocacy materials





HOW CAN PARIS21 HELP (3)?

- Task Teams :
 - Costing and funding of NSDSs
 - Training for officials statisticians
- Studies
 - Metagora





HOW CAN PARIS21 HELP(4)?

Partnerships and facilitation through regional programmes:

- Baseline assessments
- Workshops
- Resource mobilisation
- Building expertise
- Reporting





PARIS21 REGIONAL ACTIVITIES

NSDS INCEPTION	NSDS DESIGN	NSDS IMPLEMENTATION
Advocacy		
Baseline assessment		
Regional workshop (road map)		
Facilitating road map funding	Facilitation NSDS funding	
Facilitating technical assistance	Regional workshops (2)	Regional workshops
Strengthening partnership	Reporting	Reporting



CO-OPERATION WITH ASIAN COUNTRIES AND PACIFIC (1)

- Strengthening partnership and cooperation
- Learning from Asian countries experiences
- Base line assessment
- Regional workshops in Central Asia, South Asia, South East Asia
- Developing partnership on specific themes for China and India
- Linkage with SPC's events for Pacific Islands





CO-OPERATION WITH ASIAN COUNTRIES AND PACIFIC (2)

- Encourage use of NSDS and documentation (translation into Russian)
- Facilitate the search for financial supports (and effective way of mobilizing them)
- Set up a coordination process among donors
- Increase effectiveness of statistical developments at country level
- Organise peer review.

