

Session 3: Effective partnerships to support national efforts in developing and implementing national indicator frameworks

**Regional/subregional resources and mechanisms to support national actions:
Framework for Action by the Asia-Pacific statistical community**

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Objectives

- Highlight key elements of the Collective Vision and Framework for Action by the Asia-Pacific statistical community: indicative regional resources & delivery mechanisms



- Link with national actions/strategies/challenges identified in session 2 on developing and implementing monitoring frameworks



- Frame issues for consideration and discussion in session 3: effective partnerships to support country actions

Collective vision: shared ambition level (2)

... by 2030, national statistical systems are **enabled and empowered** to **lead** the development of and **deliver** innovative, trusted and timely products and services for urgently needed and evolving statistical requirements of Agenda 2030.



- Skills base: “transcend traditional disciplines”
- “Purveyors of information”
- Legal and institutional structures support application of FPOS
- “Clients at the center”



A mix of action: at the national level and collaborative activities involving stakeholders at all levels

Framework for action: translates the vision into collaborative action at national, sub-regional and regional levels...

... to attain our collective vision for transformation, we need to take **collective actions** that will **accelerate** the needed transformation of the **organizations, processes and people** comprising national statistical systems



Priority areas:

Advocacy; Investment; User engagement; Production and use of integrated statistics through methodological work, modernization of business processes & skills strengthening

Action area A:

Engaging users and investing in statistics

Action area B:

Assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics

Action area C:

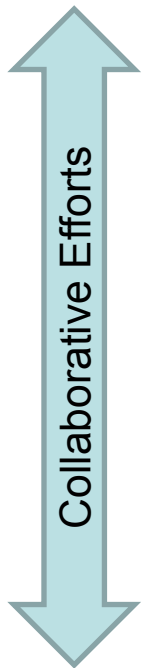
Integrated statistics for integrated analysis

Action area D:

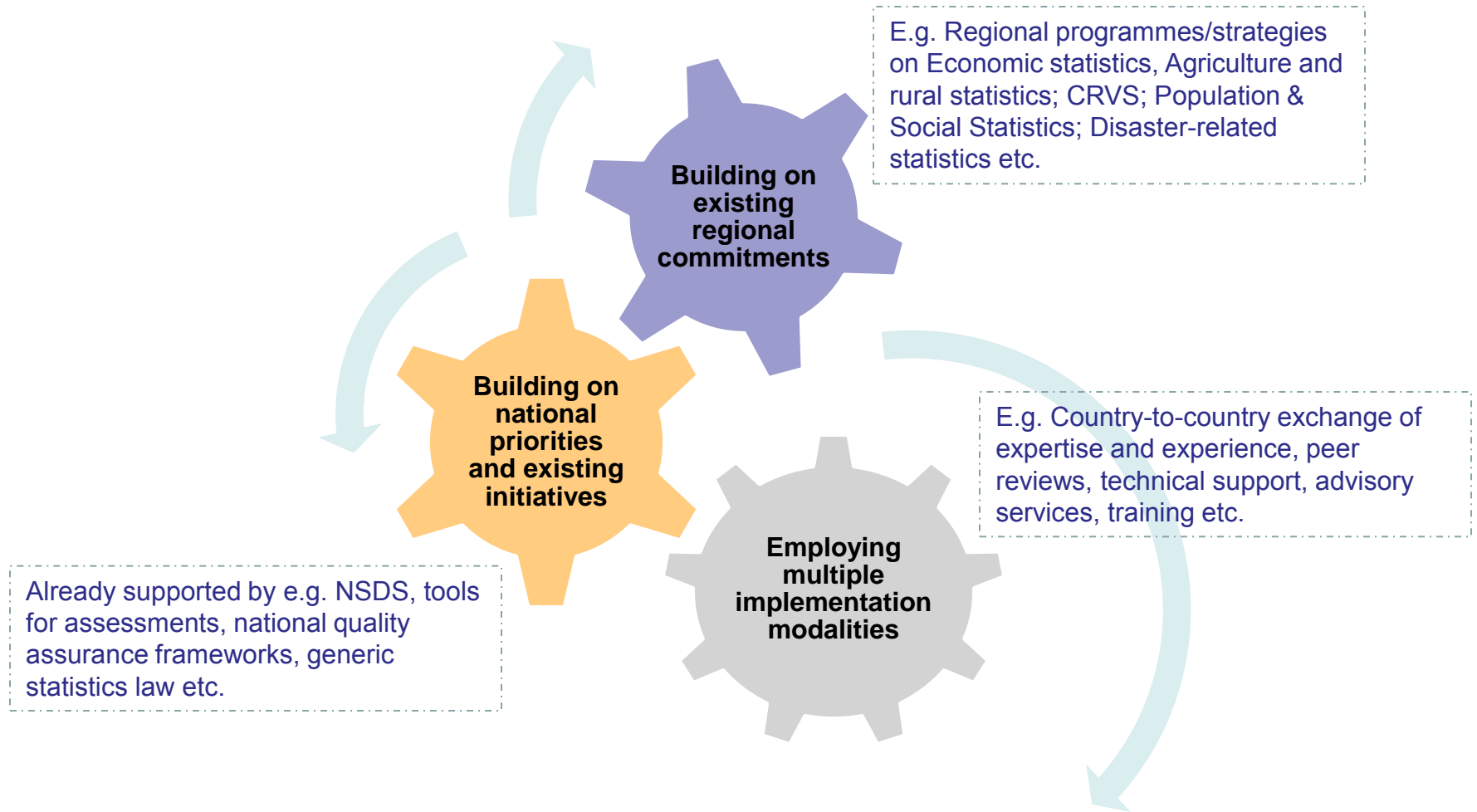
Modernizing statistical business processes

Action area E:

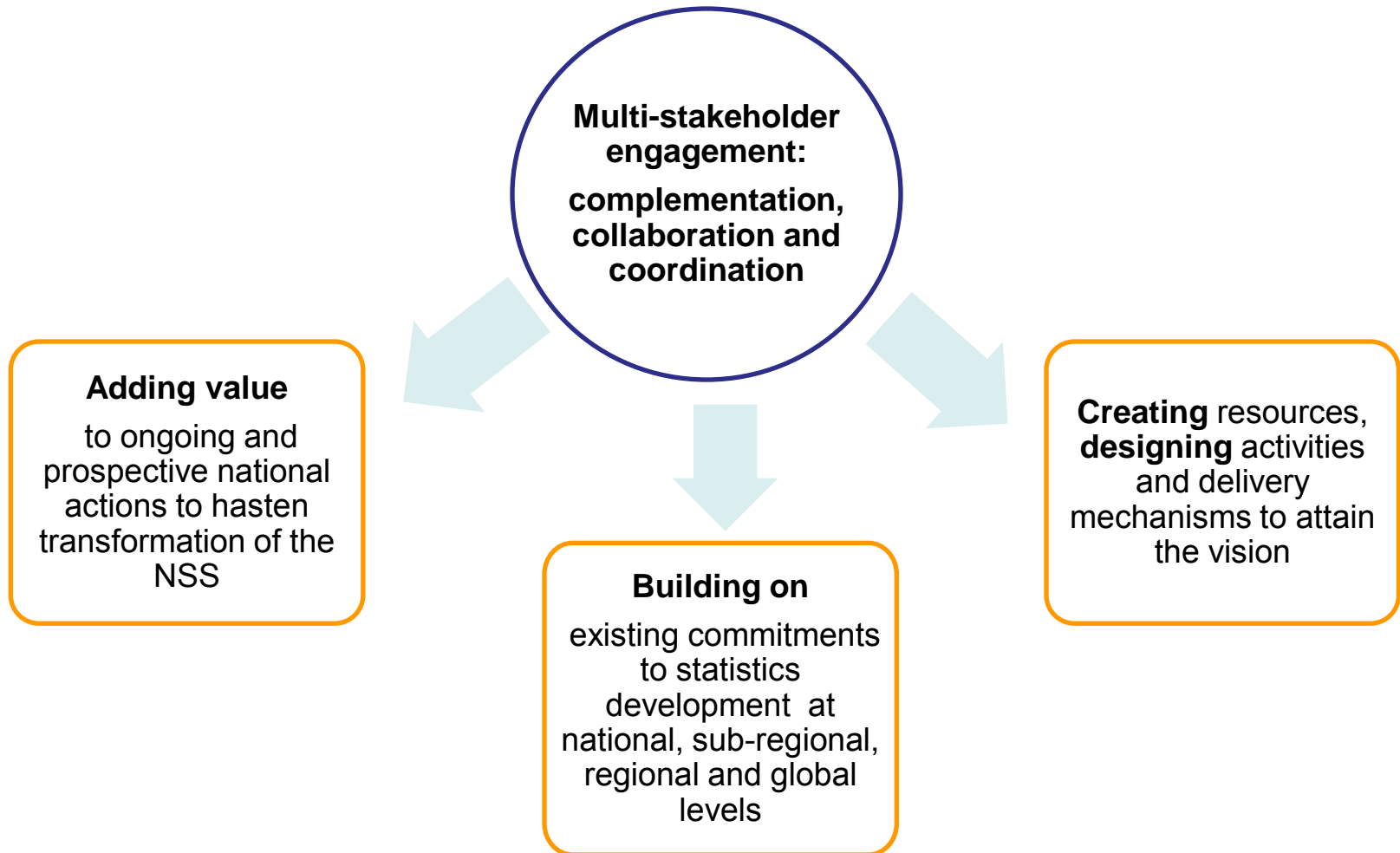
Having requisite skills set



Collective action: principles (1)



Collective action: principles (2)



Action area A: Engaging users and investing in statistics (1)

Objectives

1. NSS are **responsive to the needs of users**, including those arising from the 2030 Agenda

2. **Investments** in national statistical systems match the requirements for meeting demands and needs of users



- **Aligning statistics** to development policy priorities
- **Engaging** in national SDG coordination mechanisms
- User producer **dialogue**
- **Advocating** for increased investment in statistics
- **Conducting** action research on costing statistical products

Action area A: Engaging users and investing in statistics (2)

Indicative regional resources that may be developed/promoted collaboratively

- **Guidelines** on data dissemination: access/use of data (incl. microdata)
- **Guidelines** on use of data for national SDGs progress reporting, incl. statistical analyses/ methodologies.
- **Toolkit** for user engagement: documented experiences, lessons learned, good practices, tools for statistical literacy
- **Case studies** on value of official statistics.
- **Fundraising toolkit** : national investment plans, estimating financial resources for basic range of statistics & statistical products/services, cost-benefit analysis of increasing investments in NSS



National actions/challenges identified e.g.

- Awareness on value of official statistics
- Advocacy for sectoral support/understanding of statistics and need for monitoring of NDPs
- Complexities of coordination between relevant national agencies
- Need for micro-data hub
- Data access
- Financial resources

Action area A: Engaging users and investing in statistics (3)

Prospective delivery mechanisms e.g.	Potential opportunities to support national efforts	Issues for consideration e.g.
Thematic Working Group on Statistics under RCM for A-P	Objectives includes support to SDGs monitoring at national level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> What kind of regional resources/collaboration is needed for national SDG monitoring e.g. toolkits/guidelines? What are barriers to effective user engagement and what kind of regional collaboration can overcome those barriers? What roles can various partners play in regional collaborative efforts for national actions?
Partnership for Statistics Development in A-P	Wide membership can broaden advocacy and user engagement to multiple sector ministries of Governments across the region	
SIAP Management Seminars	Strategic dialogue among leaders of NSS on user engagement and resource mobilization	
Nine sector-specific committees of ESCAP	Intergovernmental forums that could be leveraged as platforms for engagement with users of statistics	
Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development	Engagement and advocacy vis-à-vis high-level Government users of SDGs statistics; Potential to host a regional SDG data forum to bring together providers, users, media, and academia	

Action area B: Assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics (1)

Objectives

1.NSS have in **place legal frameworks** that accord appropriate **coordination authority & responsibility to NSO** and fully in line with / facilitates adherence to FPOS.

2.NSS, as national authority on statistics, formulate/ implement **comprehensive, system-wide and transformative strategies** for development of statistics for progress monitoring **of national development plans and the 2030 Agenda**.

3.NSS have implemented a **system-wide quality assurance framework**.



- Legal framework; strategic and budget planning
- Governance and coordination of the NSS
- Dissemination and quality assurance policies and frameworks

Action area B: Assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics (2)

Indicative regional resources

- **Guidance materials** on the formulation or revision of statistics laws.
- **Documented good practices** on strategic planning for stat. devt.
- **Advocacy materials** for successful implementation of NSDS.
- **Guidance material** for communication strategies for NSS.
- **Generic quality assurance** framework for official statistics.
- **Guidance material on** implementation of quality assurance frameworks.



Challenges/needs identified in session 2 e.g.

- Need for legal frameworks / mandates for statistics
- Need for NSDS to be a component of national development plan
- Need for micro-data hub following principles of generic quality assurance framework

Action area B: Assuring quality and instilling trust in statistics (3)

Prospective delivery mechanisms	Potential opportunities to support national efforts	Issues for consideration e.g.
Partnership for Statistics Development in Asia and the Pacific	Objectives include strengthening leadership and coordination role of NSO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How can regional collaboration support the leadership/coordination role of the NSO? • What are the challenges related to implementation of system-wide quality assurance frameworks in NSS and how can regional collaboration help to address these? • What opportunities / barriers exist to build and sustain relevant partnerships?
SIAP Management Seminars	Peer exchange and learning among leaders of NSS on strategic planning, communication and assurance of the quality of statistical products and services	
Asia-Pacific Forum for Sustainable Development	Engagement and awareness-raising on legislative and institutional imperatives for production and dissemination of official statistics for the SDGs	
The ESCAP Resource Facility	Supporting national studies for improvement of economic statistics; Options for expanding Facility beyond economic statistics could be considered	
Asia-Pacific Economic Statistics Week	Platform for sharing documented country experiences on quality assurance of economic statistics	



Group discussion

1. Developing a comprehensive indicator set
 2. Compiling and using the comprehensive indicator set
 3. Strengthening data and statistics
- i. What are the national actions in the short-term?
 - ii. Role of partners in providing support:
who/role/activities?
 - iii. Challenges/opportunities to build effective partnerships?



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