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2025 Comprehensive Review undertaken by UN IAEG-SDG

UN IAEG-SDG (Inter-Agency and Expert Group on SDGs)

- conducting a Comprehensive Review of the global indicator framework throughout 2024 and
- submit proposed refinements, revisions, replacements, additions and deletions to the
- 56th session of the United Nations Statistical Commission in March 2025 for its consideration.



Guiding Principles of 2025 Comprehensive Review

- improve the indicator framework to help the global monitoring of the 2030 agenda and to provide the necessary guidance to countries, many of which are already well advanced in implementing their national framework and reporting platforms.

The principles include the following:

- The review needs to take into account investments already made at the national and international levels and should not undermine ongoing efforts;
- The revised framework should not significantly impose an additional burden on national statistical work;
- There should be space for improvements, while at the same time ensuring that the changes are limited in scope and the size of the framework remains the same;
- The focus of the Group's common work should remain on the implementation of the framework in countries for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.



Global Open Consultations on Proposals for 2025 Comprehensive Review

- The IAEG-SDGs invited public comments on proposals for the 2025 Comprehensive Review of the global indicator framework.
- Global Open Consultation - open for one month **15 July - 15 August 2024**
- A total of 68 proposals were submitted during the call for proposals in April 2024. The IAEG-SDGs carefully reviewed all proposals and decided to include 15 proposals in the global open consultation. The rationales for not including certain proposals in the consultation are available [here](#).



The 15 proposals for which comments were sought:

Description

1. Target 1.b revision proposal from Save the Children-UNICEF
2. Target 2.2 addition proposal from Switzerland FSO
3. Target 2.2 addition proposal from Global Breastfeeding Collective-UNICEF
4. Target 3.5 addition proposal from IARD
5. Target 3.8 revision proposal from WHO (proposal 1)
6. Target 3.8 revision proposal from WHO (proposal 2)
7. Target 3.9 revision proposal from Brazil IBGE
8. Target 3.b replacement proposal from WHO
9. Target 4.6 replacement proposal from Singapore
10. Target 8.9 addition proposal from UN Tourism
11. Target 8.a addition proposal from Russia Federal State Statistics Service
12. Target 9.3 revision proposal from UNIDO
13. Target 10.1 addition proposal from OXFAM (proposal 2)
14. Target 11.1 addition proposal from Ruff Institute of Global Homelessness
15. Target 15.9 revision proposal from UNEP

Criteria

1. The aim of the review is to **maintain the same number** of indicators currently in the framework to **not alter significantly the original framework**, which is already being implemented in most countries and to not increase the reporting burden on national statistical systems;
2. The proposed indicator must have an **agreed methodology** (tier III indicator proposals will not be considered) **and data available for at least 40% of countries and of the population across the different regions where the indicator is relevant** and be suitable for global monitoring;
3. Taking into account the first two criteria,
 - o An **additional indicator** may be considered **only in exceptional cases** when a crucial aspect of a target is not being monitored by the current indicator(s) or to address a critical or emerging new issue that is not monitored by the existing indicators;
 - o A **deletion** may be considered when a tier II indicator has not been able to submit any data to the global SDG monitoring or is proven to be challenging for countries to implement, and **a replacement** will be proposed if the deleted indicator is the only indicator monitoring the corresponding target;
 - o **Adjustments or replacements** will be considered when the indicator does not map well to the target or does not track the target well.

Timeline for 2025 Comprehensive Review

- **January - June 2024** : the Group will prepare a review framework containing possible deletions, replacements, adjustments and additions, based on previous analysis and assessments, with assistance from the Secretariat;
- **1-30 April 2024** : Open call for proposals. All proposals for indicator changes for the 2025 Review (replacements, deletions, refinements, adjustments and additional indicators) must be submitted to the Secretariat by **30 April**;
- **July-August 2024** : open consultation will be held on a preliminary list of a proposal of indicator changes;
- **September 2024** : the Group will review the results of the consultations;
- **October 2024** : at the 15th IAEG-SDG meeting on 22-23 Oct. in Oslo, the Group will review the draft proposal of indicator changes to be included in the 2025 Comprehensive Review;
- **December 2024** : the Group will prepare the final proposal for the 2025 review and submit it to the Commission for its consideration at the fifty-sixth session in March 2025.

Throughout this entire process, the IAEG-SDGs will continue to operate in an open and transparent manner and will consult with custodian agencies, member States, stakeholders and other experts as needed to clarify indicator proposals and respond to any questions the group has.



Working Group on Geospatial Information (WGGI) of the IAEG-SDGs

- **Objectives:**

The primary objective of the Working Group is to ensure from a statistical and geospatial perspective that one of the key principles of the 2030 Agenda, to leave no one behind, is reflected in the global indicator framework.

- **Key aims are to:**

- Provide expertise and advice to the IAEG-SDGs, custodian agencies and the larger statistical community as to how geospatial data, Earth observations and other new data sources can reliably and consistently contribute to the production and dissemination of the indicators.
- Review options and provide guidance to the IAEG-SDGs, as to the role of national statistical offices (NSOs) in considering geospatial data and Earth observations, as a mean to contribute to and validate datasets as part of official statistics for SDG indicators.



Seventh WGGI in-person meeting on 17–19th Sept, UN Office Nairobi, jointly-organised with the Expert Group on the Integration of Statistical and Geospatial Information (ISGI).

WGGI Paper - progress in developing its paper on 'Rescuing the SDGs: How geospatial information can transform the production, measurement, monitoring, and dissemination of SDG indicators.'

Rescuing the SDGs with Geospatial Information



What we propose happens next

- We intend to seek the feedback of UN-GGIM at the forthcoming session and invite them to provide their comments by 30 August 2024.
- In September 2024, we will then finalise the text for the IAEG-SDGs and produce a complementary Storymap of national good practices
- In October 2024, the IAEG-SDGs will review the paper, and hopefully adopt it for submission to the Statistical Commission. In providing its guidance to the WGGI, we aim to facilitate the review of focus SDG indicators with their support, using this to collaborate with SDG Custodian Agencies.
- In November 2024, we will format, style, and edit the paper for submission to the Statistical Commission **March 2025**

Shortlist

results of the analysis of the Global Indicator Framework with a “geographic location” lens – 2nd edition

Table A: List of Indicators where geospatial information has a direct contribution.

Shortlist A			
Priority #	SDG	Indicator	Data for at least one year since 2015
1	2	2.4.1	8.59%
2	9	9.1.1	10.36%
3	14	14.1.1	47.19%
4	6	6.3.2	50.78%
5	6	6.5.2	63.73%
6	6	6.6.1	74.36%
7	14	14.5.1	88.20%
8	11	11.3.1	89.12%
9	15	15.1.2	89.64%
10	11	11.7.1	91.19%
11	11	11.1.1	94.30%
12	11	11.2.1	94.82%
13	9	9.c.1	99.31%
14	11	11.6.2	100%
15	15	15.1.1	100%

Table B: List of additional Indicators where geospatial information has a significant/supporting contribution.

Shortlist B			
Priority #	SDG	Indicator	Data for at least one year since 2015
1	5	5.2.2	0%
2	11	11.7.2	3.63%
3	1	1.4.2	10.02%
4	5	5.4.1	17.96%
5	14	14.3.1	21.24%
6	5	5.a.1	21.50%
7	14	14.4.1	29.53%
8	5	5.a.2	39.38%
9	1	1.1.1	48.96%
10	4	4.5.1	49.78%
11	13	13.1.1	70.67%
12	15	15.2.1	86.22%
13	6	6.4.2	91.19%
14	17	17.6.1	99.22%

Thank you

Further information

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