

World Programme on Gender Statistics

Progress Report from January 2012 to December 2012

1. SUMMARY

During the period under review, UNSD organized the fourth *Global Forum on Gender Statistics*, which was held in the Dead Sea, Jordan from 27 to 29 March 2012. UNSD also completed the preparation of a gender statistics Manual – *Integrating Gender Perspective into Statistics*, in line with the request made by the Statistical Commission at its forty-second session for the development of manuals and methodological guidelines for the production and use of gender statistics. UNSD also developed an IT application based on the Gender Statistics Manual. Finally, a regional capacity building workshop was conducted from 4 to 7 December 2012, for countries in sub-Saharan Africa, based on the new Manual.

As related activities, UNSD also organized: (a) the *Expert group meeting to finalize the Trial International Classification of Activities for Time-Use Statistics (ICATUS)*, in New York, from 11 to 13 June 2012; and (b) the 6th *Inter-agency and Expert Group (IAEG) meeting on Gender Statistics*, held in the Dead Sea, Jordan from 25 to 26 March 2012.

2. EXPECTED ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR 2012 Tranche

The expected accomplishments for 2012 are as follows:

B1: Support participation of member states to the 4th Global Forum on Gender Statistics to be held in Jordan, in 2012

B2: Undertake a regional capacity building workshop for sub-Saharan countries, based on the UN Gender Statistics training manual

B3: Develop IT applications based on the Gender Statistics Manual

B4: Provide technical assistance to a selected group of countries in sub-Saharan Africa

3. REVIEW OF IMPACT AND ACTIVITIES

Expected Accomplishment 1 (B1)	Support participation of member states to the 4th Global Forum on Gender Statistics to be held in Jordan, in 2012
Results/Impact achieved for B1	<p>In the reporting period, UNSD organized the 4th Global Forum on Gender Statistics, which was held in the Dead Sea, Jordan from 27 to 29 March 2012. This meeting was organized in collaboration with the United Nations Economic Commission for Western Asia (UNESCWA), the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), the UN-Women, and the World Bank. The Forum was attended by over 70 representatives of 10 international agencies, 4 regional commissions and 32 countries. In this forum, participants focused on statistics related to women's empowerment, including economic empowerment, knowledge empowerment, autonomy and physical empowerment; as well as their uses in policy making. The forum also reviewed progress in measuring youth-related issues such as child marriage and its consequences on the girl child.</p> <p>UNSD also organized the 6th Inter-agency and Expert Group (IAEG) meeting on Gender Statistics, held in the Dead Sea, Jordan from 25 to 26 March 2012. The main objective of the IAEG-GS was the review of the work done by its advisory</p>

	groups over the last few months to implement the recommendations by the UNSC and the decisions made at the IAEG-GS meeting of October 2011, and to agree on a work plan for the year ahead.
Expected Accomplishment 2 (B2)	Undertake a regional capacity building workshop for sub-Saharan countries, based on the UN Gender Statistics training manual
Results/Impact achieved for B2	<p>In the reporting period, UNSD organized a Workshop on Integrating a Gender Perspective into Statistics from 4 to 7 December 2012, in collaboration with the Uganda Bureau of Statistics (UBOS). The workshop was attended by 14 statisticians and demographers from 10 countries in Africa, 1 representative of UNECA and 1 representative of the African Development Bank.</p> <p>The Workshop provided training to participating countries on how to produce and disseminate gender statistics from available data sources, including population censuses. Participants learned how to obtain gender statistics by integrating a gender dimension in all statistical processes undertaken by national statistical offices. The workshop also discussed the newly developed UN manual - Integrating a Gender Perspective into Statistics, which served as a basis for the general structure of the training.</p> <p>100 per cent of the participants reported that they had acquired substantive knowledge during the workshop on producing, analyzing and disseminating gender statistics. Participants, in particular, found that the workshop was useful in identifying gender issues in various statistical areas, in understanding analytical techniques for gender analysis and in obtaining gender statistics from population censuses.</p>
Expected Accomplishment 3 (B3)	Develop IT applications based on the Gender Statistics Manual
Results/Impact achieved for B3	<p>During the reporting period, UNSD developed an online wiki platform based on the content of the new gender statistics manual – <i>Integrating Gender Perspective into Statistics</i>. The platform enables authorized users to add, modify or delete its content via a web browser. The main purpose of the platform is to ensure a wide reach and distribution to potential users in national statistical offices as well as other national and international agencies. The flexible design process also allows for frequent updates and continuous enhancement of the content according to the most recent developments in the field of mainstreaming gender in official statistics.</p> <p>The platform is currently being tested and will be available online in April 2013 through the dedicated UNSD website on gender statistics at http://unstats.un.org/unsd/gender/default.html</p>
Expected Accomplishment 4 (B4)	Provide technical assistance to a selected group of countries in sub-Saharan Africa
Results/Impact achieved for B4	This activity was implemented through the training workshop described above.

4. RELATED ACTIVITIES

UNSD organized an Expert group meeting to finalize the International Classification of

Activities for Time-Use Statistics (ICATUS), in New York, from 11 to 13 June 2012. This classification will assist countries in the development of key gender statistics, such as on paid and unpaid work.

5. PROBLEMS ENCOUNTERED

No specific problem has been encountered in 2012.