

Global Assessments

History, purposes and development of global assessments in the EECCA region

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Aim of Global Assessments

The aim of a Global Assessment (GA) of the national statistical system is to:

- Set up a sound legal and institutional framework for the NSS
- Establish priorities and plan the development of a NSS that meets users' requirements in an effective and efficient way
- Allocate necessary financial and human resources to producers of official statistics
- Guide international and bilateral partners in designing, implementing and coordinating their efforts and contributions to the development of national statistical capacities.

Challenges for NSS

- Increasing demand for internationally comparable, reliable and timely statistics to monitor economic, monetary, social and environmental policies
 - Development of information and communication technologies
 - Economic and financial crises with additional budget constraints for national administrations and official statistics
 - Pressure to further reduce response burden
- **Building an efficient and sustainable NSS delivering product and services fit for purpose.**

Prerequisite for GA

- GA shall be initiated in a country only in response to a formal request from national statistical authorities
- GAs shall cover the quality dimension of the final output in a user oriented perspective
- GAs shall also cover the organisational and technical capacity of NSSs to produce and disseminate official statistics

First GAs Where and When

In Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA):

- 2007: Kazakhstan by **UNECE and UNESCAP**, in the framework of the 2008 - 2009 Master Plan
- 2009: Armenia by **Eurostat, EFTA and UNECE** in the framework of the ENP-East programme in statistics

In 2009, the partner organisations (EFTA-Eurostat-UNECE), at the initiative of EFTA, decided to organise in Yalta a Management Seminar for EECCA countries on GAs.

GAs Where and When

Conducted by UNECE, EFTA and Eurostat in Eastern Europe, Caucasus and Central Asia (EECCA):

- 2008: Kazakhstan
- 2009: Armenia
- 2011: Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan
- 2012: Ukraine
- 2013: Belarus, Georgia, Moldova, Tajikistan
- 2014: Turkmenistan (on going)

With the exception of one country, Global Assessments were requested by and conducted in all EECCA countries.

Outcome of GAs

- In many countries, outcome and recommendations were incorporated into capacity development programmes
- Support from international and bilateral partners for the implementation of the recommendations
- Increased awareness among national authorities, users and other stakeholders of the necessity to implement a sound legal and institutional framework for the NSS

In Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan and Belarus recommendations were presented to government agencies, ministries, international organizations, media and other stakeholders.

For Tajikistan, a letter signed by the UNECE Executive Secretary was sent to the President of the Republic of Tajikistan.

Thank you for the attention

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