Revision of the country progress table and summary of questionnaire responses

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Background

• ‘Summary of Progress in UNECE Countries’ tracks implementation of the Road Map recommendations
• Most updates date to 2019 – 2020

• Revision of the Road Map in 2022
• Revision of the table to better reflect new recommendations and current priorities
A pre-filled online questionnaire was sent to 63 countries.
Questionnaire also includes additional information that can be used in the work of the Steering Group.
50 countries responded – a response rate of 80%.

Thank you!

The Steering Group intends this to become an annual exercise.
Questionnaire Results

Availability of a National Indicator Set

- IAEG-SDG global monitoring framework often puts aside country-specific contexts
- Road Map recommends a national Indicator Set
- 80 percent of responding countries have a national indicator set
Questionnaire Results

Availability of a National Road Map

• Recommended in chapter 5 of the Road Map

• Approximately half of all countries have a National Road Map

• An additional 3 countries, indicated that theirs is pending.
Availability of a Web Platform

• A web platform to publish statistics on SDGs, e.g. a National Reporting Platform, is a key recommendation of the Road Map

• The large majority of countries has one

• Links to the web platforms are on the revised table.
NSO Coordinator of the NSS for SDGs

• Established responsibilities are necessary to fulfill the Principle *Coordinating the NSS*

• In eighty percent of countries the NSO is the coordinator for SDG Statistics
Questionnaire Results

Use of Non-Traditional Data Sources

- Approximately half of all responding countries use non-traditional data sources.
- Most prevalent is geospatial data for indicators under Goal 11.
Questionnaire Results

Number of global indicators produced

- 35 countries responded to this question
- On average, countries produced 128 indicators of the global set.
- 97 in full compliance with the framework
- In the UNECE database, the average number of available indicators is 168
- Large differences between countries
- But stark difference disappears when looking at the data in the UNECE database.
Thank you for your attention!