Update on SDG 4 implementation

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Outline

• Education 2030 Steering Committee
• UN Statistical Commission
• Inter-Agency Expert Group on SDGs
• Global Alliance to Monitor Learning
• Upcoming events and SDG 4 timeline
Outcomes of second TCG meeting

- 29 indicators identified for reporting in 2017
- 22 indicators requiring some further developmental work
- Agreement to establish three Working Groups
  - Indicator Development
  - Capacity Building
  - Country Reporting
Endorsement of SDG 4 indicator frameworks

Thematic

• Education 2030 Steering Committee

  • December 2017
  • Endorsed TCG’s list of 29 indicators for reporting in 2017.

Global

• UN Statistical Commission

  • March 2017: Agreed IAEG-SDG’s ‘refined’ global indicator framework.

• ECOSOC

  • June 2017: Should formally adopt global framework

• UN General Assembly

  • ???? 2017: Formal adoption
Key elements

• “adopts the global indicator framework ... as a voluntary and country-led instrument”

• “official statistics constitute the basis ... for the global indicator framework, while recommending that national statistical systems explore ways to integrate new data sources ...”

• “international organizations shall consult ... countries to produce and validate ... estimates before publication ...”

• “welcomes the Cape Town Global Action Plan for statistics for sustainable development ...”
UNSC decisions

- **Agreed** IAEG can propose annual ‘refinements’ to the global framework but ...

- **Rejected** proposal to consider additional indicators before first major review in 2019/2020

- **Agreed major reviews** in 2019 and 2024 for approval in 2020 and 2025

- **Approved** processes for rotation of membership of IAEG-SDGs and HLG
IAEG-SDGs

- Two meetings in November and March
- In November reviewed the Tier classification on global indicators
  - 4.1.1 (b) primary and (c) lower secondary now Tier II
  - 4.1.1 (a) early grades remains Tier III
  - 4.2.2 corrected to Tier I
- In March considered first formal requests to change Tier classifications
  - 12 proposals, 4 accepted
SDG Progress Report

- Annual publication coordinated by the UN Statistics Division published in July at the same time as the High Level Political Forum

- Custodians contributing draft storylines per goal

- And national and regional data for the global SDG database

- Custodians asked to validate global indicators with countries before submission
GAML

- Third meeting in May
- Seven Task Forces
  - 5 for learning outcome related targets (4.1, 4.2, 4.3, 4.6 and 4.7)
  - 2 cross-cutting
    - Data collection and assessment implementation
    - Capacity development and data use
Upcoming events

• Third meeting of EDUCATION 2030 Steering Committee – New York 29-30 June

• High Level Event on Education hosted by the President of the UN General Assembly – New York 28 June

• High Level Political Forum on SDGs – New York 10-19 July
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