

## Introduction to data governance for monitoring the SDGs (prerequisite course for StaTact workshop)

### Cross-fertilizing Knowledge

Type:	Course
Location:	Web Based
Date:	1 Apr 2019 to 31 May 2019
Duration of event:	2 Months
Programme Area:	Data governance, official statistics, data for SDGs, monitoring the SDGs, StaTact
Specific Target Audience:	No
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### BACKGROUND

This e-learning course is developed by the UN Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the UN Statistics Division (UNSD) drawing primarily on the outcomes of the consultations designed to inform the forthcoming edition of the Handbook of Statistical Organization. The course has benefitted from the expert contributions and review by Mr. Gabriel Gamez, Inter-Regional Advisor from UN Statistics Division. It is hoped that a more advanced course will be developed in the future, more specifically, for the management of National Statistical Offices based on the finalized latest edition of the Handbook[1].

It is expected that StaTact workshop participants complete the course before attending the workshop since the information contained in all modules is a baseline knowledge required to effectively participate in the workshop. In parallel, to the course, workshop participants will be invited to set up their StaTact accounts and start preliminary discussions in their country Working Group online before the workshop.

[1] This will be an extended version with a more technical focus. This advanced course will aim to attain the same primary objective as the Handbook "guide chief statisticians and senior managers of statistical organizations in developing and maintaining statistical capacity that is fit for purpose".

### EVENT OBJECTIVES

The overall objective of the introductory course is to raise awareness among the decision-makers about the value of official statistics by increasing knowledge about the fundamentals of official statistics, institutional set-up, coordination and communication around data ecosystems.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Following the completion of the course, participants will be able to:

- Identify official statistics from other data produced and describe UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics and their implementation through legislative frameworks;
- Describe various quality dimensions of official statistics from a user perspective as well as organizational set-ups and coordination within and outside of National Statistical Systems;
- Distinguish data types and sources and apply internationally practiced models related to data production and statistical organization.

## CONTENT AND STRUCTURE

The course will consist of 3 modules:

1. Understanding UN Fundamental Principles of Official Statistics;
2. Effective data governance systems for monitoring SDGs;
3. Managing data-related partnerships, capabilities, resources and processes in the context of SDGs.

## METHODOLOGY

This is a non-facilitated online course organized in 3 modules. Each module includes:

- an interactive lesson,
- a manual in a pdf format,
- a glossary and abbreviations,
- built-in formative assessments,
- a summative assessment (multiple-choice test) at the end of the Module.

This course edition will be hosted on UNITAR's Virtual learning Environment.

## TARGETED AUDIENCE

This is an introductory level course aimed at the broad audience, including decision-makers and data producers from within and outside the National Statistical Offices. The current edition is being delivered as part of the blended programme and will be followed by the participation in a face-to-face workshop.

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