Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia

ISPAR Meeting

Follow up on activities

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Discussion points and additional information

What is the value added compared to existing ones?

• Methodology

- Access to raw data (so the governance of data production can be improved)
- Transparency methodology and calculations (how many hard data compare to surveys, compare apples and oranges, etc...)
- Calculations are redone it is not guestimates
- Clarification of the underlying model used to evaluate performances

• Simulations and Policy Recommendations

- Focusing on one unique index
- Focusing on a theme (gender equality is not enough, financial inclusiveness, friendliness of business environment to women, etc...)
- Some elements influence gender balance but are not engendered such as the level of corruption that discourage disproportionately women so you may want to include additional KPIs on top of the engendered ones
 - On various international indexes
 - *in an index that is your creation and will monitor your performance against all the countries in the world but it is not any more*

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- Is it possible to keep track of previous simulations?
 - Yes: on a scoreboard after registration
 - Possibility to create a PDF, save in excel, create a sharable weblink
- Can we use national data to reflect the reforms?
 - Yes but the findings can not be compared to the initial ones
- Can cities be added?
 - Yes but the findings can not be compared to the initial ones
- Who will maintain the database?
- How does it help with the Covid-19?
 - Help the private sector rebound, insertion in GVC after reshuffling, etc...

Project Phase 2

Add new indices based on requests from MS

Suggested Options for the Simulator

- Simulate any indicator (current case)
- Training simulator (5-10 KPIs)
- Simulation by theme
- Group simulation (using all indicators)

Exploring the feasibility:

- Simulation using Curve (Score-Ranking)
- Pilot simulator (AI/ML/NLP): identify relevant policy recommendations

Additional case study



Discussion

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