



An Interagency and Experts Collaboration to Improve the Production and Dissemination of SDG Indicators from Official National Sources

Series of SDG Webinars Fostering South-South Cooperation:

Central Administration of Statistics - Lebanon

SDG 5.5.2, 8.3.1, 8.5.2 and 8.6.1

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Summary

The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN ESCWA), in collaboration with Central Administration of Statistics – Lebanon organized a south-south cooperation webinar on selected SDG indicators that are less produced in the Arab region.

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- 1. The United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (UN ESCWA), in collaboration with CAS organized a south-south cooperation webinar on selected SDG indicators that are less produced in the Arab region, on 21 November 2023— on Zoom platform, as part of the third wave of series of SDG webinars. The webinar is in response to the resolution (A/RES/70/1) on the adoption of the 2030 Agenda of Sustainable Development in September 2015 to strengthen the capacity of national data systems through collaboration between national statistical systems and the relevant international and regional organizations to enhance data reporting channels and ensure the harmonization and consistency of data and statistics for the indicators used to follow up and review the Sustainable Development Goals and targets. It also responds to Member States' request to the 14th Statistical Committee for ESCWA to organize capacity-building webinars emphasizing the methodology, method of computation, and data collection tools of selected SDG indicators.
- 2. The webinar was attended by 21 representatives from 10 countries namely: Algeria, Djibouti, Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia and Yemen.
- 3. The main objectives of the webinars are to share national good practices in the successful collection and dissemination of SDG indicators produced by a handful of Arab countries and available in the Global SDG Database as country data.
- 4. The Workshop agenda covered the following items:
 - SDG indicator 5.5.2 Proportion of women in managerial positions
 - SDG indicator 5.5.2 Proportion of women in senior and middle management positions
 - SDG indicator 8.3.1 Proportion of informal employment, by sector and sex
 - SDG indicator 8.5.2 Unemployment rate, by sex and disability
 - SDG indicator 8.6.1 Proportion of youth not in education, employment, or training, by sex and age
- 5. During this webinar, CAS presented the definition of each indicator, methodology, method of computation as well as the sequence of survey questions used to collect data on these indicators.

6. Workshop Evaluation: Among 21 participants, 12 participants provided their feedback. Overall, 56% of the participants rated the methodologies as Easy, and 44% Moderate. Participants were asked if the workshop objectives were met, 56% of the participants gave an excellent rating and 44% gave a good rating. In terms of future data collection of these indicators, 67% of respondents confirmed their future plans to collect all indicators and 33% confirmed future collection of SDG indicator 8.5.2.

As for the other polls, the results came as follows:

For SDG 5.5.2, only six participants engaged in the relevant poll. Among them, 83% indicated that their countries report on the proportion of women in managerial roles, while 67% confirmed reporting on the proportion of women in senior and middle management positions. Additionally, 25% confirmed the collection of data on the proportion of women in senior and middle management positions without computation.

As for SDG 8.5.2, 90% of respondents confirmed reporting, whereas 25% reported on SDG 8.3.1, and 50% reported on SDG 8.6.1.

- 7. The workshop presentations and resources will be available on the ESCWA website, accessible at the following link: https://www.unescwa.org/events/series-sdg-webinars-arab-region.
- 8. Further useful resources:
- ► ILO Labour Force Survey Questionnaire