ADVANCED DATA PLANNING TOOL (ADAPT)

WHAT IS ADAPT?

A free cloud based tool by PARIS21

Developed by PARIS21, ADAPT is a free, cloud-based, multilingual and consultative data planning tool for National Statistical Offices and other data producers to adapt their data production to the priority data needs from policy makers. ADAPT is presently used by 20+ countries for different purposes. The current version deployed is V1.2 (May 2019).

KEY FEATURES

1. ENABLES DETAILED DATA DEMAND & SUPPLY ANALYSIS

The figure to the right represents the ADAPT workflow: the arrows reflect the flow of data demand from policies and data supply from data sources – appearing as required and available indicators. The mismatch between these required/available indicators is reflected in data gaps that ADAPT addresses. ADAPT aims to align the linkage between these data gaps and data plans.

2. MONITORS DATA PLAN ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING COSTING & BUDGETING

ADAPT supports monitoring of data plans, which could be either strategic such as National Strategies for the Development of Statistics (NSDS) or operational such as statistical ‘programmes of work’ of governmental organisations supporting the implementation of a sectoral policy. ADAPT also allows for detailed costing and budgeting of data planning activities.

3. PRODUCES WIDE-RANGE OF KEY REPORTS

ADAPT produces a wide range of key reports in the form of tables and attractive charts to visualise what data demanded is not produced, what is the disaggregation required but currently missing, etc. ADAPT looks at policy and data at the systemic-level, hence it can easily be used in a cross-cutting manner, or applied in the context of a specific policy, sector, administrative unit, etc.

ADAPT & THE BIG PICTURE

An enabling policy environment is a key condition for sustainable development. Even after the numerous global (SDGs), regional or national calls for evidence-based policy making and data-driven development planning– many developing countries still don’t have policies that are adequately informed by evidence and data. Conversely, data needs are not adequately driven by policy priorities, leading to a lack of integration between data systems and policy-processes.

Many countries also face difficulties in planning, measuring and reporting their own national indicators, and even greater challenges for the SDGs. Hence NSOs and other data producers require innovative tools to help adapt their data production to the priority data needs of policy makers and to adjust data plans to different priorities. ADAPT is exactly that tool!
HOW CAN ADAPT HELP?

**CAPTURES DATA DEMANDS**
- Catalogs data demanded by key global, regional and national policies
- Maps these demands and shows potential for data reuse
- Identifies policies and sectors that do not have Monitoring and Evaluation (M&E) frameworks

**IDENTIFIES DATA GAPS**
- Connects data demand to data supply
- Checks compliance of available data
- Identifies current data gaps

**IDENTIFIES CAPACITY AND SKILL GAPS**
- Provides a detailed capacity gaps assessment, by indicator
- Provides an overview of skills missing throughout the organisation or National Statistical System
- Consistent with other standards like GSBPM and PARIS21’s Capacity Development 4.0 framework

**IMPROVES DATA PLANNING**
- Maps the different global, regional, national, sectoral or subnational data strategies relevant to an organisation
- Monitors implementation progress and institutional bottlenecks
- Enables activity-based co-ordination
- Allows detailed costing and budgeting of data planning activities
- Identifies data priorities that are not addressed in current plans

COUNTRY EXPERIENCE: TANZANIA

Following the adoption of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Ministry of Finance and Planning for both Tanzania Mainland and Zanzibar embarked on efforts to mainstream the Sustainable Development Goals into the National Development Frameworks; the Five Year Development Plan II for Tanzania Mainland, and the Zanzibar Strategy for Growth and Reduction of Poverty III.

ADAPT in Tanzania has been used to show how existing data could be better used in policy, outline SDG data gaps, and co-ordinate work between the NSO, line ministries and the Planning Commission.

The NSO is using ADAPT to identify overlapping data needs across development plans and data supply to inform the design of its next NSDS, and its data collection and production priorities.

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