



PARIS21 Secretariat Work Programme: 2009

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1. Introduction

The PARIS21 work programme for the period 2009–2010 was approved at the June 2008 Steering Committee meeting¹. The present document therefore is an updated programme of activities to be undertaken in 2009. A detailed breakdown of the activities is provided in Annex I, while the section below provides the major highlights.

2. Programme of Activities

A. Regional programmes

While the work programme in 2009 will continue to intensify country-level activities, regional activities, when appropriate, will still be conducted to allow countries to share experiences in statistical development. The main objective of the regional programmes is to provide **assistance to countries** to implement their National Strategies for the Development of Statistics (NSDSs) or to design one if the country has not yet done so.

AFRICA

Tailored support will be given in Africa according to the status of the existing NSDS. For all countries, support will be given for facilitating the establishment of a partner group for statistics, for producing advocacy material and facilitating national reporting on statistical development. For countries which are preparing a roundtable for NSDS funding, support to this process will be considered a priority activity: technical assistance will be provided in the organisation of the NSDS funding roundtable as well as support to finalise NSDS and advocacy documents. The programme of peer reviews will be pursued in Anglophone and Francophone Africa. PARIS21 will continue to participate in relevant regional events (and help participants from partner countries to participate when necessary) to deliver the appropriate advocacy messages and to co-ordinate the programme with recipient countries. In particular, active participation from PARIS21 in the 4th African Symposium on Statistical Development, UNECA Statistical meetings, AFRISTAT Boards of directors, and other sub-regional statistical meetings will be ensured.

LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN

The main objectives of PARIS21 in Latin America and the Caribbean will be to facilitate the funding of existing NSDSs and their design when not yet started, to advocate for the use of data and the need to support statistical development at the country level, to report on NSDS progress and statistical development, and to strengthen the PARIS21 regional partnership (in particular with IADB). In Central America, the key objective will be to facilitate the funding of NSDS and to launch advocacy activities. In the Andean region, the focus will be on Bolivia and Peru to help strengthen the NSDS design process. In the

¹ <http://www.paris21.org/documents/3098.pdf>

Caribbean region, PARIS21 will provide support to facilitate launching of the NSDS process through, as a first step, regional activities (regional seminars) with specific support to be lent to Belize and Suriname.

ARAB STATES

In the Arab States, the main priority will be the preparation of the 4th Arab Forum on Statistical Capacity Building to be held in Cairo where the issue of funding will be discussed in depth. PARIS21 will also provide standard support in the fields of advocacy (including translation of relevant documents into Arabic) and statistical development reporting.

ASIA AND PACIFIC

Activities in Asia and the Pacific will be mainly at the country level for mainland Asian countries and at the regional level for Pacific countries with the collaboration of UNESCAP and SPC. Several opportunities will be taken to facilitate the implementation of activities in recipient countries through UNESCAP statistical meetings or UNSIAP Management meetings. PARIS21 will offer assistance in the fields of advocacy, reporting and facilitation of NSDS funding when requested.

EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA

In Europe and Central Asia, PARIS21 has no specific objectives in terms of support in 2009 but is ready to provide assistance if requested by the partnership.

SPECIAL PROGRAMMES

The Secretariat intends to launch two specific programmes for:

(1) Small countries and island states: In 2009 two main geographical areas will receive specific support at regional level: the Caribbean region and the Pacific Islands. However, due to the specific situation of statistical systems in small countries and micro-states, approaches will have to be adapted: a programme grouping the two regions and other small states and islands in the world is therefore anticipated. PARIS21 intends to invite representatives from small states and islands to a specific workshop on NSDS as a side meeting of the UNSC's 2009 session.

(2) Fragile states and crisis countries: Depending on Steering Committee approval, the Secretariat could establish an informal reflection group on the topic of support to statistics in fragile and crisis countries.

B. Advocacy

PARIS21 will facilitate the design and implementation of country advocacy programmes including the production of "Why country X needs good statistics?" booklets, summaries of national statistical development plans, specific booklets on sectoral approaches when appropriate, and the organisation of national events. This activity will be implemented directly through the regional programmes. As direct support to this activity, the START toolkit (Statistical Advocacy Resources Toolkit), the guide for countries to advocate for statistical development at country level towards public administration, donors, civil society, etc.), will be continuously updated and proposed to the countries wishing to implement a specific advocacy strategy. In addition, PARIS21 will launch a joint programme with Eurostat to support the development of specific advocacy materials for Bolivia, Chad, Angola, Zambia, Bangladesh, and Papua New Guinea targeting NSDS implementation and funding. On the global advocacy level, a video on women in statistics will be finalised in early 2009.

C. Partnership

Partner Report on Support to Statistics (PRESS)

In 2009, PARIS21 will disseminate the main findings and recommendations of the 2008 round of the PRESS. The 2009 exercise will involve, *inter alia*, support to partners to report to the PRESS, in particular the UN agencies.

Prepare and update partners' directory

The Partners Directory will be continuously updated for a new publication planned in 2010.

D. Reporting

Support to country statistical development reporting

PARIS21 will encourage and assist all developing and transition countries to report regularly on the status of their statistical systems and on the production and use of statistics for development policymaking within the framework of the NSDS. The Country Reporting Tool Kit will be fine-tuned in 2009.

Reporting on NSDS progress

With the NSDS at the very core of PARIS21's objectives, regular NSDS reports will be produced to address progress toward NSDS design and implementation, the main successes and constraints, and lessons to be drawn for the future. In addition, the Secretariat will maintain its NSDS country sheets and post them to an NSDS website.

E. Studies and knowledge development

The Secretariat intends to launch three studies (1. Statistics and governance; 2. Human resources and training policies in the framework of NSDS; and 3. Strategic management textbook) in 2009.

F. Task teams

The Virtual Statistical System task team may begin operations in 2009 if the Steering Committee approves its work. The Intersect team produced a manual in 2008 and may consider providing additional guidance in 2009. The training task team will close to consolidate efforts, at the recommendation of partners leading various training initiatives. Likewise, as the African Development Bank is leading some work on sub-national statistics, PARIS21 will link itself with this effort and provide input when appropriate.

G. Management

Funding

The Secretariat will continue to pursue deepened relations with DAC delegations as well as new potential donors to PARIS21 outside of the OECD.

Organise PARIS21 Partnership events (Bureau, Steering Committee, Consortium)

The Secretariat will organise two Steering Committee meetings in 2009 as well as a Consortium event in Dakar in November. Bureau meetings will be organised as necessary. The PARIS21 evaluation will be conducted in 2009 in time for presentation of its results at the Consortium meeting.

3. Satellite programmes

The International Household Survey Network (IHSN) Management Group has finalised the programme of IHSN and Accelerated Data Program (ADP) activities for the 2009–2010 biennium. The 2009–2010 activities will for the most part be the continuation of activities in the second half of 2008.

4. Costing

The table below presents a summary of the PARIS21 2009–2010 Work Programme Budget, excluding the satellite programmes. A more detailed breakdown of activities and costing is available with the Secretariat.

Activities	2009	2010	Total	% of Total
A REGIONAL PROGRAMMES	1,205,000	1,195,000	2,400,000	32.5
A10 Africa Global	80,000	80,000	160,000	2.2
A11 Francophone Africa	250,000	250,000	500,000	6.8
A12 Anglophone Africa	250,000	250,000	500,000	6.8
A20 Latin America & Caribbean Global	50,000	60,000	110,000	1.5
A21 Central America	60,000	60,000	120,000	1.6
A22 Andean Community	35,000	35,000	70,000	0.9
A23 Caribbean	60,000	60,000	120,000	1.6
A30 Arab States Global	100,000	80,000	180,000	2.4
A40 Asia and Pacific Global	250,000	250,000	500,000	6.8
A50 Small states and Islands	50,000	50,000	100,000	1.4
A60 Fragile States and crisis states	20,000	20,000	40,000	0.5
B ADVOCACY	158,000	158,000	316,000	4.3
B1 Support to countries advocacy	50,000	55,000	105,000	1.4
B2 Developing advocacy material	65,000	55,000	120,000	1.6
B3 Organise delivery of P21 messages	43,000	48,000	91,000	1.2
C PARTNERSHIP	179,500	154,500	334,000	4.5
C1 Expand partnership	15,000	15,000	30,000	0.4
C2 Implement PRESS	29,500	29,500	59,000	0.8
C3 Prepare and update Partners Directory	5,000	5,000	10,000	0.1
C4 Facilitate partners participation in relevant events	95,000	55,000	150,000	2.0
C5 Revitalise and enrich P21 website	35,000	50,000	85,000	1.2
D REPORTING	355,000	60,000	415,000	5.6
D1 Support to country stat dev reporting	25,000	15,000	40,000	0.5
D2 Reporting on NSDS progress	40,000	40,000	80,000	1.1
D3 Produce a global report on stat. development	290,000	5,000	295,000	4.0
E STUDIES AND KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT	190,000	185,000	375,000	5.1
E1 Studies on NSDS & Strategic Management	75,000	75,000	150,000	2.0
E2 Studies on Use of Data	75,000	35,000	110,000	1.5
E3 Studies on Statistical Development	40,000	75,000	115,000	1.6
F TASK TEAMS	60,000	55,000	115,000	1.6
F1 Virtual Statistical System	-	-	-	0.0
F2 Intersect	5,000	-	5,000	0.1
F3 Training	10,000	-	10,000	0.1
F4 Sub national Statistics	25,000	25,000	50,000	0.7

Activities	2009	2010	Total	% of Total
F5 New Task Team A	10,000	15,000	25,000	0.3
F6 New Task Team B	10,000	15,000	25,000	0.3
G MANAGEMENT	500,000	285,000	785,000	10.6
G1 Managing PARIS21 Secretariat	80,000	80,000	160,000	2.2
G2 Organisation of PARIS21 partnership events	410,000	90,000	500,000	6.8
G3 Tracking progress of PARIS21 partnership	10,000	115,000	125,000	1.7
I HUMAN RESOURCES	1,302,176	1,347,510	2,649,686	35.9
Staff	1,302,176	1,347,510	2,649,686	35.9
GRAND TOTAL	3,949,676	3,440,010	7,389,686	100.0

Annex I: Detailed Breakdown of PARIS21 Activities for the 2009 Work Programme

		JANUARY-JUNE 2009	JULY-DECEMBER 2009
A - REGIONAL PROGRAMMES			
A1 Global AFRICA	4th African Symposium on the Development of Statistics – Luanda – December 2008	PARIS21 will participate in the 4 th African Symposium and proposes to organise a specific side-meeting on the financing of statistical systems and to support the initiative on fragile states (see A60). PARIS21 will also contribute to the funding of participants.	
	Contribution to African Statistics Day	PARIS21 will provide support to specific initiatives on request	
A11 AFRICA Francophone	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	Specific support is envisaged in the following countries: Congo, DRC, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, CAR, São Tomé e Príncipe, Chad, Guinea Bissau, Gabon, Burundi and Burkina Faso. Additional support to the countries already covered in 2008 could also be undertaken.	
	Peer reviews	A series of peer reviews will be launched in close coordination with AFRISTAT. A first list of participating countries is to be decided during the AFRISTAT meeting in October 2008 in Bamako. PARIS21 will fund the initiative and will participate in the joint Secretariat with Afristat.	
	Support to UEMOA	PARIS21 will support the process of designing a regional strategy for statistics of the UEMOA countries through the funding of a mission in the beginning of 2009.	
	Participation in regional events	The Secretariat will participate in the two AFRISTAT Board of Directors meetings and other events when necessary.	
A12 AFRICA Anglophone	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	Specific support is envisaged in the following countries: Sudan, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Angola and Western Anglophone countries. Additional support to the countries already covered in 2008 could also be undertaken.	

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	Peer reviews	A first series of peer-reviews will be conducted in Malawi and Mozambique in January 2009. Findings of the peer reviews could be discussed through the organization of a specific seminar in the region.	Two other groups of countries are envisaged: Botswana-Lesotho and Swaziland; Liberia, Sierra Leone and The Gambia.
	Support to SADC	PARIS21 could participate in a meeting in February 2009 with the aim to define a regional strategic plan dealing with integration and harmonization issues in relation to statistics for the SADC region (to be confirmed)	
A20 Global LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN	Participation in regional events	According to the potential interest to facilitate the support to country activities, PARIS21 could participate in specific regional meetings.	
A21 AMERICA Central	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	Further assistance needs to be provided to all the countries of the region, particularly on advocacy and financing of NSDS.	
A22 AMERICA Andean	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	Further assistance needs to be provided to Peru and Bolivia.	
A23 AMERICA Caribbean	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	The Secretariat will provide the necessary support for helping countries of the region in launching the process of NSDS. Support will be given in particular to Belize and Suriname.	
	Participation in regional events	PARIS21 will fund a special workshop in the region, allowing statisticians and high level policy makers to discuss the importance of statistics and its funding.	

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A30 ARAB STATES	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	Contacts with Yemen are to be kept to discuss further assistance in the NSDS process.	
	Participation to regional events	PARIS21 will organize in close collaboration with Egyptian partners the 4th Arab Forum on Statistical development to be held in Cairo. Decisions taken during the Dec 2008 Maghreb seminar will be also followed up by the Secretariat.	The Secretariat will attend other regional meetings when relevant.
A40 ASIA-PACIFIC	Supporting countries on NSDS and advocacy	Following the discussions end of 2008 with the support of our two new regional advisers specific support will be given to a first set of countries in 2009. A first list of priority countries could be Bangladesh, Laos, Cambodia and Papua-New Guinea.	
	Participation in regional events	The Secretariat will attend regional meetings organized by partners when opportune: AHSOM, ECSAP, SIAP, EASTC meetings.	
A50 SMALL COUNTRIES AND ISLAND STATES	Definition and implementation of a strategy for action	According to the situation of small countries and islands a specific strategy for support to statistical capacity building is to be envisaged. It is suggested to have a special workshop on NSDS as a side meeting of the UNSC in February 2009.	
A60 FRAGILE STATES AND CRISIS COUNTRIES	Implementation of a strategy for action	Following the papers discussed during the PARIS21 SC in November 2008 and the proposal to establish an informal reflection group on the subject, the Secretariat could start concrete actions in a selected number of countries or convene a specific workshop.	
B - ADVOCACY			
B1 Support to countries advocacy	This work programme item is reported under the individual regional programmes in section A.	See Regional Programmes A	

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B2 Developing advocacy material	START Statistical Advocacy Resources Toolkit	The START toolkit will be continuously updated with concrete examples and best practices.	
	Production of advocacy videos and clips	The advocacy video on Women in Statistics will be finalised	Other opportunities in developing clips and videos will be identified
	Eurostat grant on advocacy	6 countries: Bolivia, Chad, Angola, Zambia, Bangladesh, Papua New Guinea will receive support in developing specific advocacy material in support of process of NSDS implementation and funding.	
B3 Delivery of PARIS21 key messages	Global advocacy programme Drafting a Global Advocacy Programme aiming at delivering appropriate messages following the international agenda of statistical and development meetings	Ongoing activity	
	Key advocacy messages Preparing and presenting key advocacy messages during selected international events	Ongoing activity	
C - PARTNERSHIP			
C1 Expanding partnership	Expand partnership	As a general rule PARIS21 will continue to reach out systematically to all partners and actors in the use of statistics and development of statistical systems through the organization of round tables at national level, in regional meetings and particularly in 2009 for the Consortium in Dakar.	
C2 PRESS	Implementing PRESS 2009	The booklet on main findings and recommendations from the 2008 exercise will be disseminated. The 2009 exercise will be carried out by the Secretariat. Focus will be put on the involvement of all partners in terms of reporting, particularly with the UN agencies	

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C3 Partners directory	Partners directory	The Partners directory 2008 will be continuously updated for a new publication planned in 2010.	
C4 Participation of partners in relevant events	Participation of partners to relevant events	Funding of participants from National Statistical services to relevant international events will be maintained. Priority will be given to UNSC annual meeting in February 2009. Other funding will be decided on a case-by-case basis.	
C5 PARIS21 website	PARIS21 website	The new version of the website will be regularly updated.	
D - REPORTING			
D1 Support to countries	Helping countries to report on statistical development	PARIS21 will continue to provide the necessary support to countries in terms of statistical reporting in the framework of general support on NSDS. Tools such as reporting toolkit, study on dissemination will be systematically disseminated to statistical agencies. Specific assistance on the design of national statistical websites is also envisaged.	
D2 Reporting on NSDS progress	Reporting on NSDS progress in 2009	The existing NSDS country sheets are updated regularly and harmonisation of concepts used for the status of the NSDS has been reached with the World Bank. The NSDS progress report will continue to be produced.	
E - STUDIES AND KNOWLEDGE DEVELOPMENT			
	Launching of the following studies: <i>Statistics and governance</i> <i>Human resources and training policies in the framework of NSDS</i> <i>Strategic management textbook</i>	The three identified studies will be launched and finalised in 2009. Other studies may be launched in 2009.	

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F - TASK TEAMS			
F1 VSS		Work on the VSS could begin in 2009, pending Steering Committee approval.	
F2 Intersect		The Intersect team will explore the possibility of providing additional sectoral guidance.	
F3 Training		As partners have decided to consolidate training efforts, this task team will be closed.	
F4 Sub-national statistics		The Secretariat will continue to provide inputs to the African Development Bank's work on sub-national statistics.	
F5 Fragile states		See A50	
G - MANAGEMENT			
G1 Managing PARIS21 Secretariat	New location	PARIS21 will be located on the 3rd floor of the Marshall Building.	
	Funding	Contacts will be reinforced with DAC delegations for securing future funding of the PARIS21 Secretariat. New potential donors will be contacted such as the Islamic Development Bank.	
G2 Organization of partnership events	Steering Committee	The two Steering Committee meetings will be organised during Spring and Fall periods.	
	Evaluation	Within the process of the tracking progress of the PARIS21 partnership, the evaluation will be organized and finalized as an input for the PARIS consortium	
	Consortium	The PARIS21 consortium meeting will be organized in November 2009 in Dakar. Organisational and scientific committees will prepare the event planned for 400 participants.	

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H - HUMAN RESOURCES			
		The new manager has been recruited as well as the second assistant for regional programmes.	