



**The statistical community
standpoint:**

**Where are we in the
measurement of the SDGs?**

*Progress, gaps and obstacles: are we on track
for leaving no one behind?
Part 1: Where do we stand?*

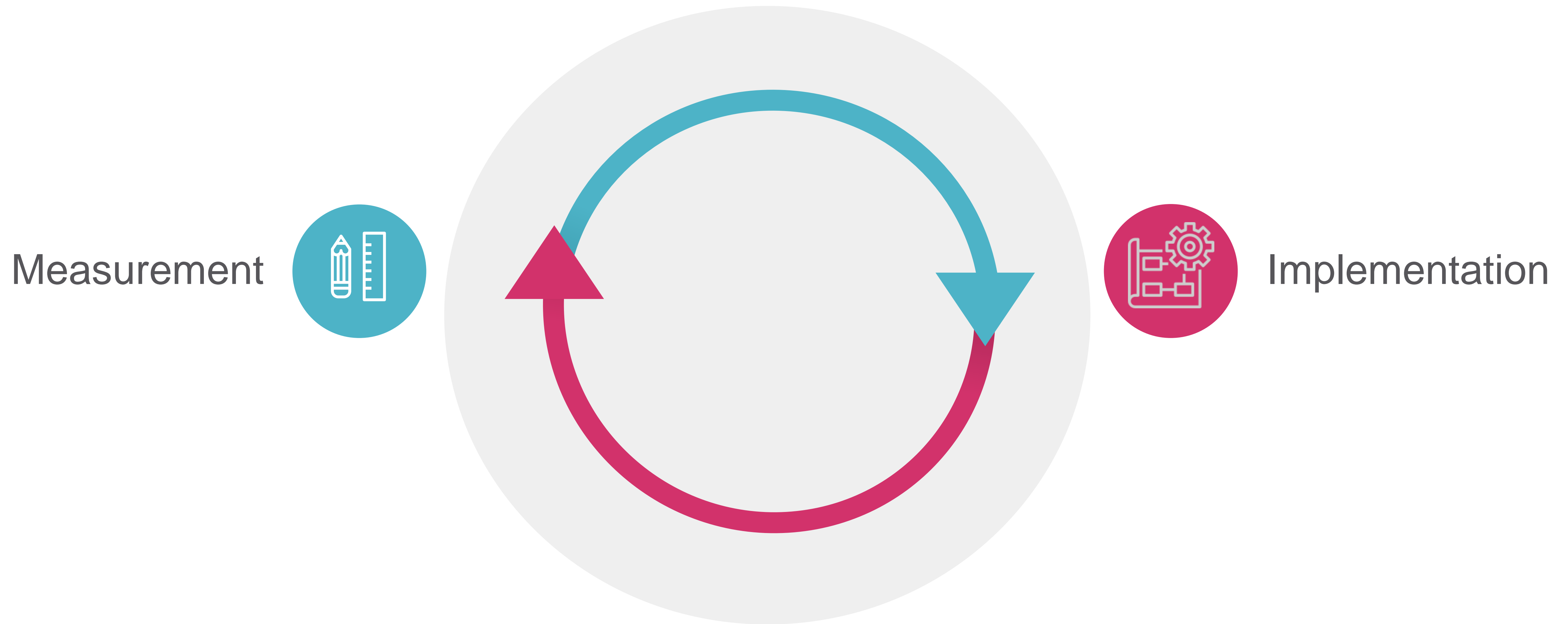
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The virtuous circle



Progress

The statistical advancement of the ambitious 2030 Agenda has been noteworthy

However, measurement of SDG indicators has been heterogeneous, both in terms of countries and indicators covered



Gaps



The patchy progress has been mainly due to:
Technical capabilities & complexity

01

Some national statistical systems (NSS) lack the capacity to comply with the demands of the SDG indicator framework

02

Technical difficulties and complexity around tier 2 and 3 indicators

03

Granularity of some indicators by disaggregation, geography, etc.

Obstacles

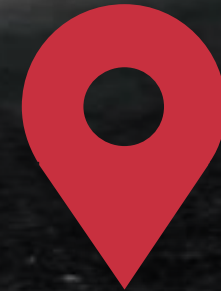


Despite the great global commitment behind the 2030 Agenda, it still needs to trickle down at the political level in various countries

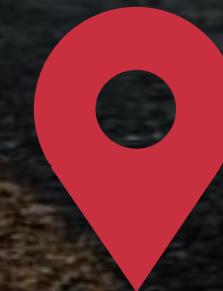
Way forward

2030

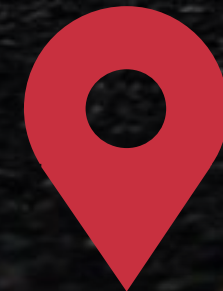
Harness innovative leading-edge methods



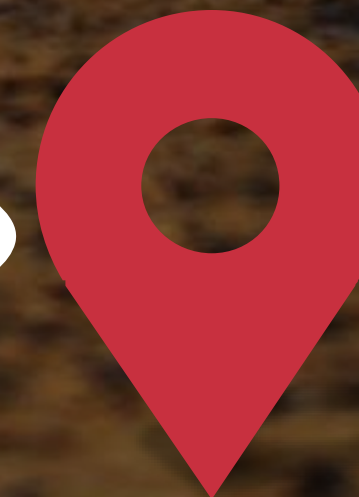
Reinforce the engagement effort at different levels in order to enhance the 2030 Agenda implementation



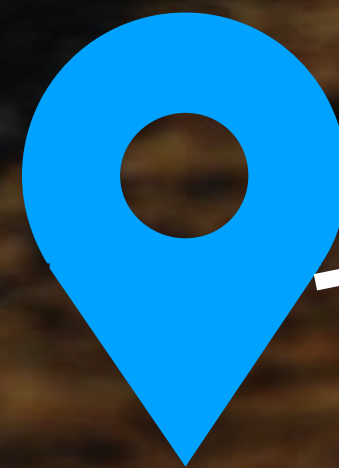
Invest more in NSS
Official statistics are the best source of trusted data



Continue the joint work between statistics (UNSC) and geospatial (UNGGIM) domains
With the idea of exploiting all possible data



The statistical community will shortly review the methodological issues
(2020 assessment of the SDG indicator framework)



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