

THE PRAIA CITY GROUP ON GOVERNANCE STATISTICS

The **Praia Group on Governance Statistics** will address the issues of conceptualization, methodology and instruments in the domain of governance statistics. The Praia Group will develop a Handbook on Governance Statistics for the use of National Statistics Offices (NSO). The first draft of the Handbook will be submitted on October 2018 for discussion at the 50th UNSC session and the final draft will be submitted on October 2019 for discussion at the 51st UNSC session.

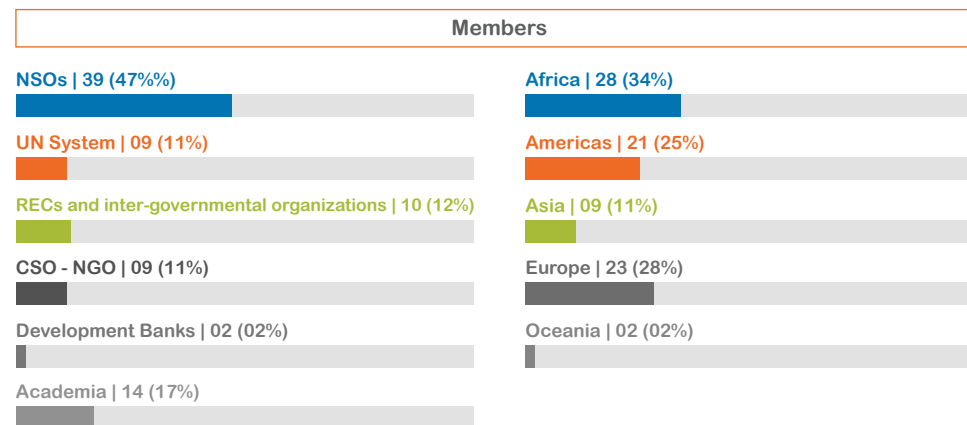
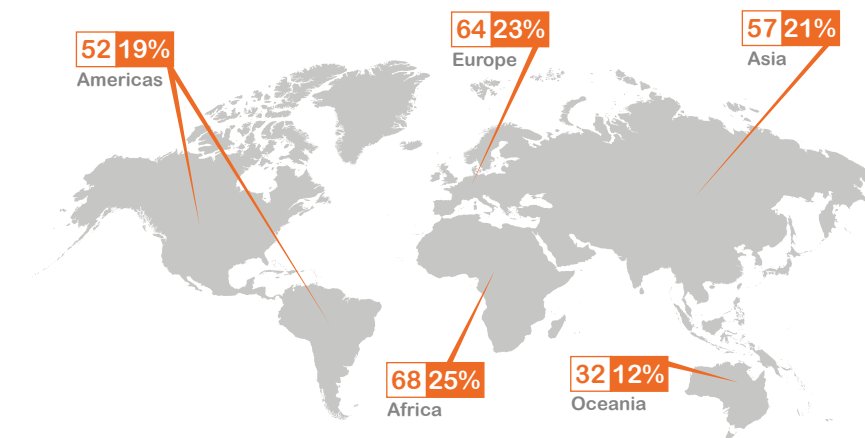
THE MAIN OBJECTIVES OF THE PRAIA GROUP

- (a) To provide a forum for national and international statistical organizations, international agencies, academia, research groups and civil society organizations to share and develop expertise in governance statistics;
- (b) To review, propose and promote the definition and harmonization of governance indicators, through the development of manuals and methodological guidelines;
- (c) To document sound practices and provide inputs for the development of an indicator framework for the measurement and monitoring of the goal and targets related to peace and governance in the post-2015 development agenda and in other global initiatives;
- (d) To assess the demand for governance statistics among potential user constituencies and highlight best-practices in their use;
- (e) To map existing producers and instances and their approaches on conceptualization and measurement of Governance; and
- (f) To provide advice on ways to enhance processes and standards for the public dissemination of governance statistics.

ORGANISATION AND MEMBERSHIP

of the Praia Group (as of January 2018)

The Praia Group includes more than 85 members and has a database of 273 institutions from the world statistical community



HOW MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE

Members contribute through 11 working groups corresponding to dedicated Handbook chapters. Each of these working groups is led by an international organisation: UNDP, OECD, UNODC, OHCHR, World Bank and PARIS21. Each working group includes NSO and Non-NSO contributors (International Organizations, UN System, Civil Society Organizations and Academia). Currently, the Working Groups include 81 contributors from 35 institutions generating a total of 126 contributions.

PROGRAM OF THE PRAIA GROUP

The program of the Praia Group for 2018 will focus on the drafting of the Handbook.

KEY MILESTONES



MAIN EVENTS FOR HANDBOOK DEVELOPMENT

To achieve its objective in producing the first handbook draft by October 2018, and in order to accelerate the drafting process, the Praia Group plans to attend and organize the following meetings, outstanding events of a continuous and sustained collaboration:

- a) 49th Session of UN Statistical Commission (6-9 March 2018, New York) Side Event - Praia City Group meeting (8 March 2018)
- b) 3rd Praia City Group meeting (September 2018, Paris)
- c) Online communications with frequent reports to Praia Group.

METHODOLOGICAL APPROACH TO GOVERNANCE

The Praia Group suggests a nine-component governance schema for Governance Statistics from which the handbook will devote dedicated chapters.

- Participation
 - Human Rights
 - Openness
 - Accountability
 - Rule of Law / Access to Justice
- Responsive institutions
 - Government effectiveness
 - Absence of corruption
 - Safety and security

The development of the Handbook is based on chapter working groups made of up Praia Group members. The year 2018 will be focused on drafting the content for each of the chapters and the Praia Group is looking forward to the active participation and contributions from all its members.

ADMINISTRATION of the Praia Group is provided by two bodies orientating and implementing the group’s activities:

- a) The Steering Committee comprising with: UNDP, OHCHR, PARIS21, AfDB, NSOs (Mexico, Cabo Verde and Philippines), PRIO, IRD-DIAL and Transparency International
- b) The Secretariat of the Group hosted by INE (Cabo Verde NSO)



SUPPORT TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOAL 16 ON PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

At the 47th session of UNSC, members welcomed the support of the Praia Group on the development of indicators for SDG 16. The Praia Group will assist the Inter-Agency and Expert Group on SDGs indicators in the necessary steps to upgrade the Tier III SDG 16 indicators. During the 2nd meeting of the Praia Group in July 2016, working groups were established for each of the 7 Tier III indicators of SDG 16. Chairs of working groups for each Tier III indicator include OHCHR (16.1.2, 16.10.1, 16.b.1), UNODC (16.5.1) and UNDP (16.6.2, 16.7.1, 16.7.2). The working groups will provide the IAEG-SDGs with information regarding the development of methodologies for each Tier III indicator.



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