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Overview of **Global Strategy** implementation

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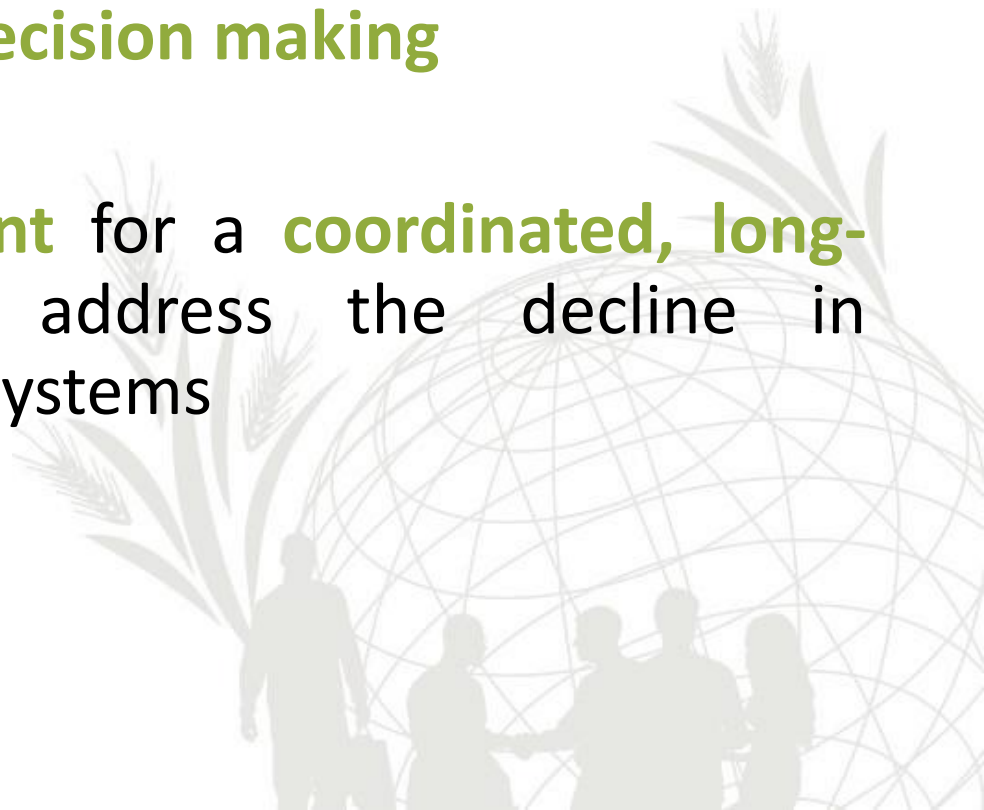
Outline

1. **Scope, outcome and main features: a reminder**
2. **GS implementation: progress to date**
3. **Lessons learnt: what could be useful for LAC region**



Purpose

1. a **framework** to enhance and expand the availability and the use of basic agricultural data for **evidence-based decision making**
2. to provide a **blueprint** for a **coordinated, long-term initiative** to address the decline in agricultural statistics systems



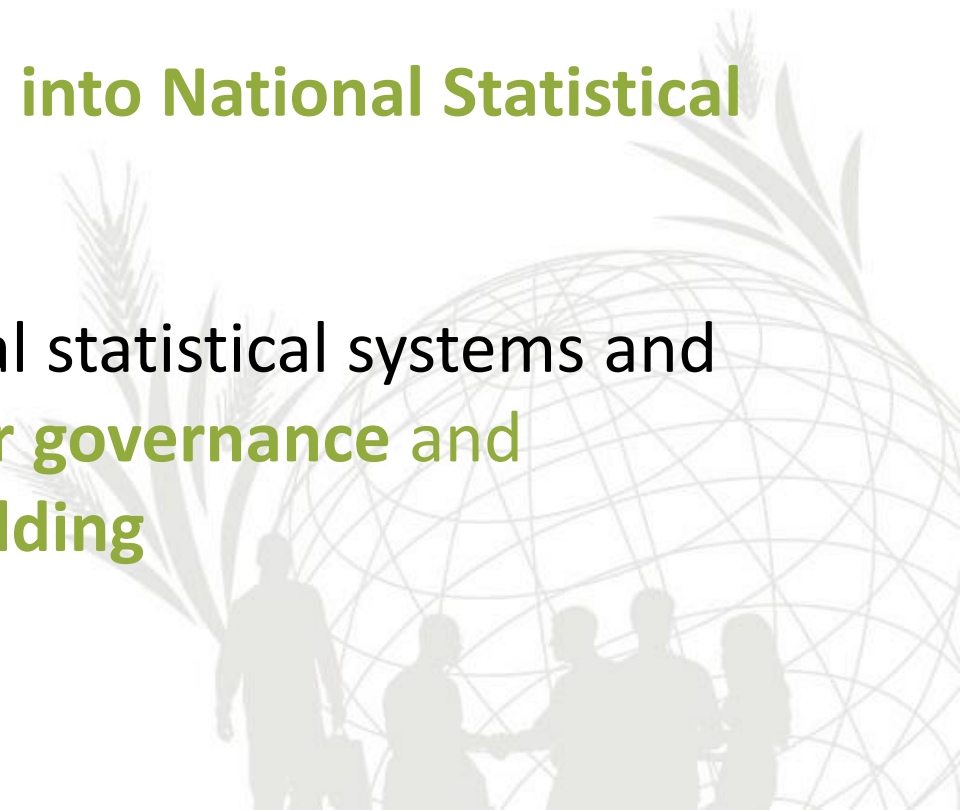
4 global outputs

1. **Effective governing bodies** to be set-up and functioning at global and regional level
2. **Coordinating bodies of NSS, legal framework and strategic plans** established in target countries to enable the **integration of agriculture into the NSS**
3. **New cost-effective methods** for data collection, analysis and dissemination developed and disseminated
4. **Increased capacity** of agricultural statistics staff in training centers and target countries

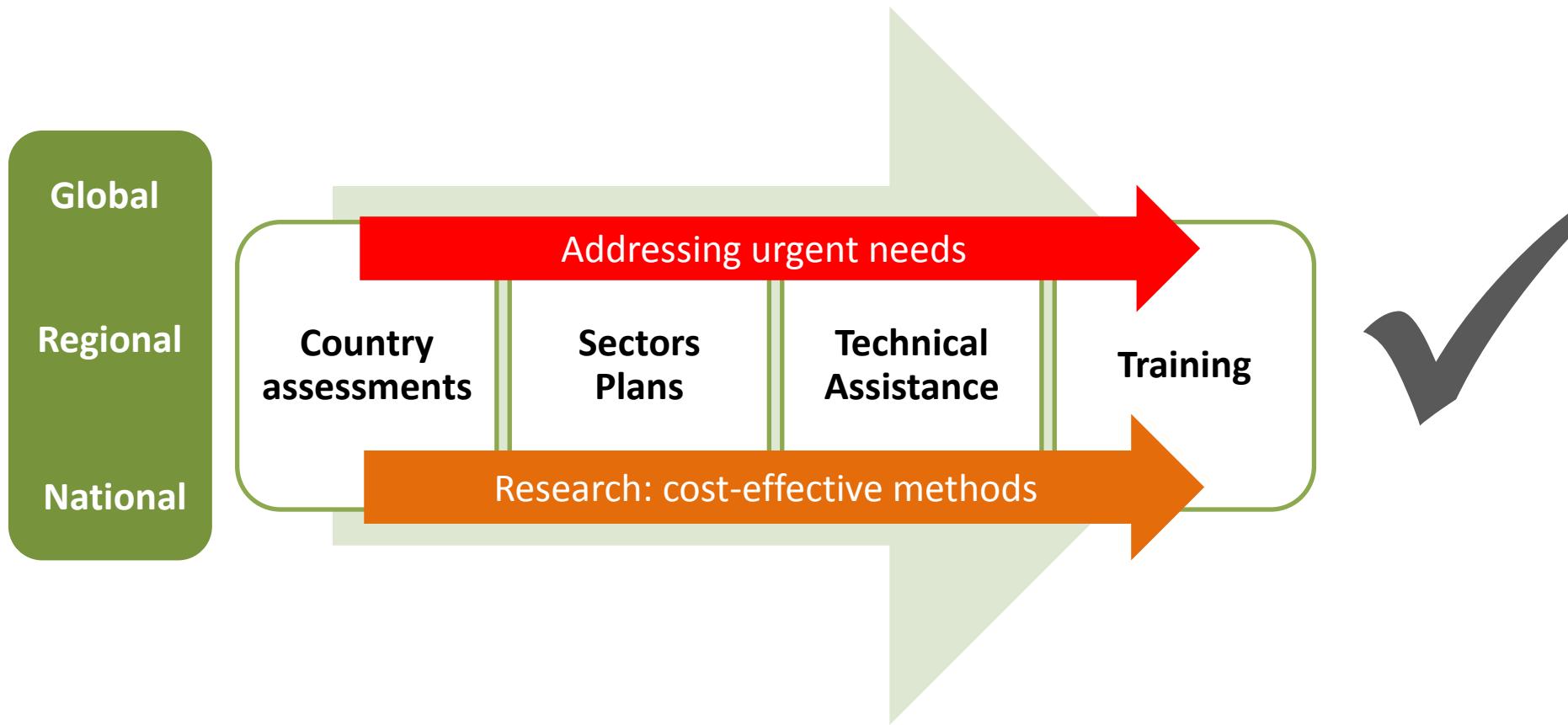


Scope: 3 pillars

1. Identifying **a minimum set of core data** and **determining national priorities**
2. **Integrating agriculture into National Statistical Systems**
3. **Sustainable** agricultural statistical systems and outputs through **better governance** and **statistical capacity building**



Main features of the Action Plan



Implementation of the GS

Progress to date



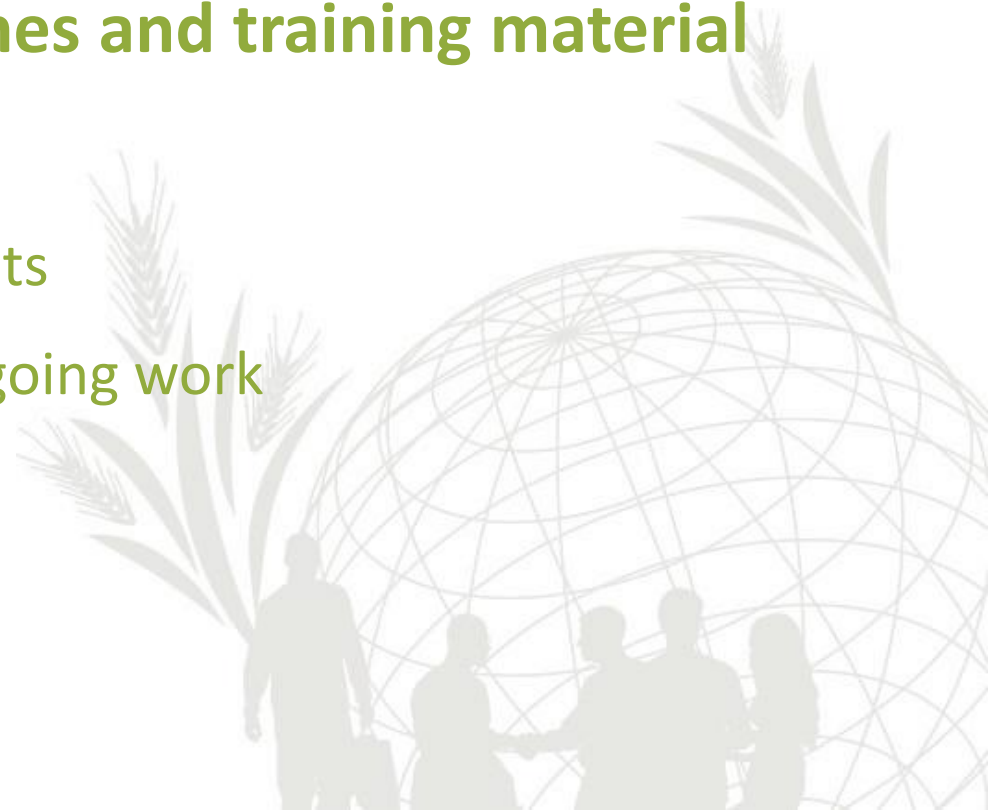
Governance

1. **Global Office established, Global trust Fund in place**
2. **At regional level: steering committees functioning in Africa, Asia-Pacific and LAC**
3. **Regional Office in place in Asia-Pacific**



Activities of the Global Office

- **Research activities: 12 topics started in 2013**
- **Preparation of guidelines and training material**
 - based on research results
 - or benefiting from on-going work



Regional Action Plans

- **Already endorsed for Africa, Asia and the Pacific**
- **Advanced draft for LAC**
- **First draft available for CIS**
- **Near East: in preparation**



Country Assessments

- Finalised for Asia and the Pacific
- To be finalised by Africa and CIS
- Launched for LAC and Near east
- 2nd stage (in-depth) process started in Africa
- Guidelines to be published very soon



Lessons learnt:

**what could be
useful for LAC
region**



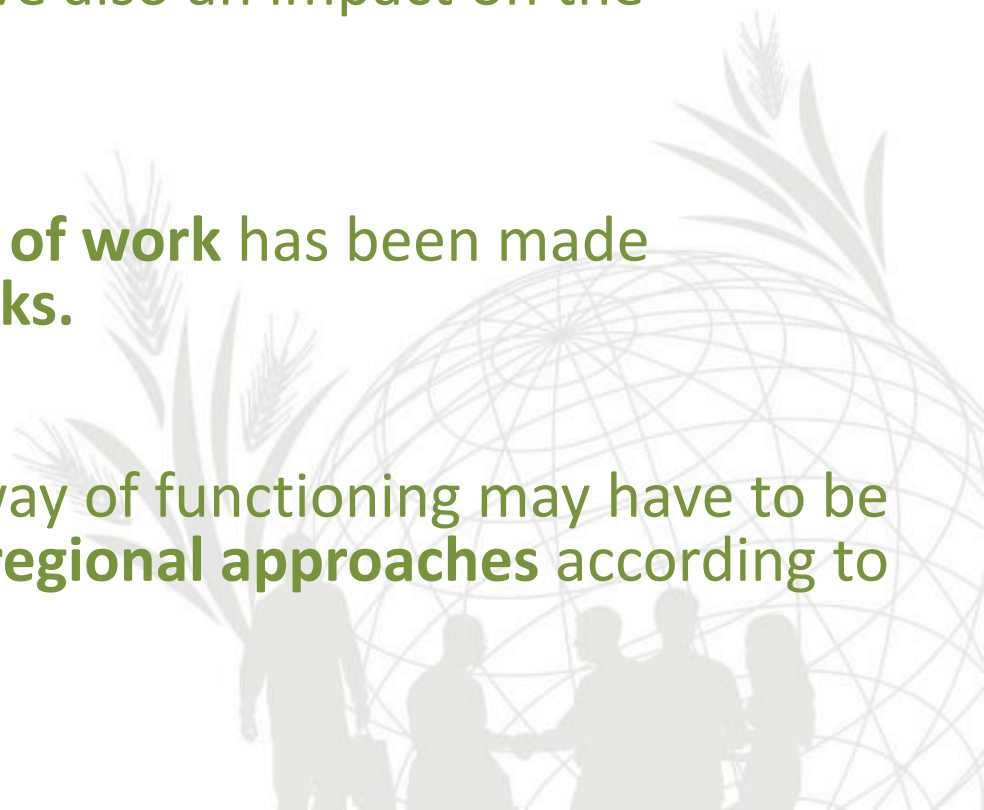
1. Commitment

- fundamental to associate **all the countries** of the region **in decisions** related to participation on Global Strategy activities.
- **Countries** should be **asked directly** on their willing to take part to in-depth assessments and preparation of sector plans
 - *(good practice from Asia and the Pacific region).*



2. Flexibility for implementation

- important to identify who will be the **implementing partners**
- **Preferences of donors** have also an impact on the organisation of the work.
- In **Africa Asia** the **division of work** has been made **according to technical tasks**.
- **For LAC region**, another way of functioning may have to be envisaged, including **sub-regional approaches** according to available funding.



3. Ownership

- **Ownership** of countries is a **cornerstone for building** the statistical systems
 - The **Global Strategy** will provide the **elements enabling to create such a favourable environment.**
 - **But countries will need to own the process**, to decide what the best fit for purpose is and find adequate solutions for combining long-term capacity building and addressing urgent data needs.
 - **South-south cooperation** should be also strongly encouraged
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The Working Group is invited to consider the endorsement of the following **recommendations:**

1

In selecting priority countries for the implementation of the regional action plan of the GS, recommends that the Regional Steering Committee (RSC) ensures full and formal country commitment

2

The IICA meeting recommends considering the possibility to use relevant sub-regional institutions as participating partners in the implementation of the GS action plan, in accordance with their respective capacity and availability of funding

3

The IICA meeting recommends that the RSC consider regional organizations, notably the IADB, ECLAC, etc. to help with the mobilization of resources for the implementation of the regional action plan of the GS, including the possibility of leveraging south-south cooperation where appropriate and relevant.