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Partnerships between Arab Statistical Offices to Build a National Statistical System

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1- Introduction

The international community plays an important role in statistical development by implementing internationally agreed standards.

The World Bank has established a special fund to support statistical capacity by providing financial support and technical assistance, in order to develop national strategies for the development of statistics and strengthening statistical capacity in Arab countries.

The international statistical system allows identifying the best practices and experiences through seminars, international conferences, and meetings which aim to improve the performance and quality of statistical products.

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1- Introduction (cont.)

Despite the achievements of the Arab statistical agencies in statistical work, but there is still some relative disparity between the countries, which need more efforts to keep up with statistical levels in developed countries.

This paper aims to identify the most important areas of cooperation and exchange the experiences between the Arab Statistical agencies, and sheds light on the development of the national statistical system to ensure the statistical product quality according to international Statistical standards.

2- Methods

This study depends on a descriptive analytical approach
based on International reports



European Union



United Nations
Statistics Division



to identify the relationship between international statistical agencies.



3- Statistical Capacity Building in Arab Countries

The World Bank has presented statistical capabilities indicator for international assessment of national statistical capacities, and comparison between member's countries, which include 149 countries from the developing countries.

This indicator is divided into 3 main dimensions :

- Methodology.
- Periodical.
- Data Sources.

**3- Statistical Capacity Building
 in Arab Countries (cont.)**

□ The Statistical Capacity Indicator for the Arab Countries, 2016



Source: World Bank



4- Best Practices and Experiences Used in Statistical Capacity Building

Arab Countries have **limited experiences** in capacity building **Although** these countries focus on the importance of Statistical building.

□ A summary of the best practices of the Arab countries:

1. Benefit from regional and international training opportunities.
2. Job Rotation for employees and its role in capacity building.
3. The qualifying specialist team in the field of censuses.
4. Exchange of experiences between generations within the statistical organization.
5. Good planning contributes to Statistical Capacity Building.
6. Annual evaluation review of employees and identify training needs.
7. Benefit from a team of experts in the statistical organization.





5- Development of National Statistical Systems

□ **Arab statistical agencies are started in applying the Excellence Model of the European in the administration (EFQM), in order to:**

1. Raise the capacity of employees and Restructuring.
2. Improve the IT environment.
3. Update internal work environment.
4. Disseminate of the culture of excellence among employees.
5. Ensure a comprehensive framework for the management of work according to international standards.



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5- Development of National Statistical Systems (cont.)

Egypt has begun to apply self-assessment
for European model **CAF** in Jan. 2016,
to achieve the Total quality Management.

Palestine has obtained on
ISO 9001:2008 certificate in **2010**

PCBS began the preparatory
phases for applying **the Excellence
Model** in management (**EFQM**) in **2014**.

The United Arab Emirates is an
example of a mature and successful experiments
globally in the application of **Excellence Model**, This
success has led to a superiority of the public sector on the
private sector in the quality of services and institutional status.





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6- The Most Important Areas of Cooperation and Exchange The Experiences between the Arab Statistical Agencies



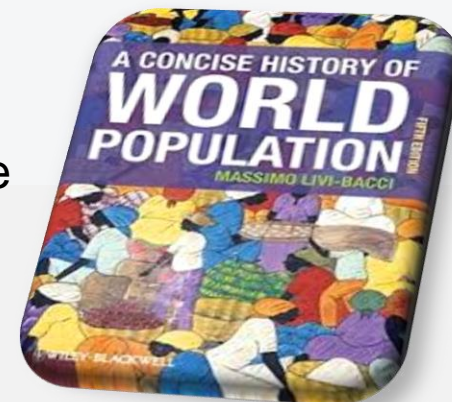
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Population Atlas

This is the most important method to view and analyze demographic statistical data and information.



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Prepared a unified guide of statistical concepts for Arab countries

to facilitate international comparisons.

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Established Centers and Special Committees

to manage the development of data quality

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6- The Most Important Areas of Cooperation and Exchange The Experiences Between the Arab Statistical Agencies (cont.)



Provided the [matrix linking](#) between [International Standard Classification of Occupations](#) and [Arab Standard Classification of Occupations](#)



Evaluated the [Administrative Records Data](#), and Put the necessary to improve the level of accuracy.

7- Results

Financial Obstacles The **decrease in the funding** is one of the most important constraints, which is faced by statistical agencies so that they cannot compete with private sector

Administrative Obstacles is wasting the efforts without clear objectives

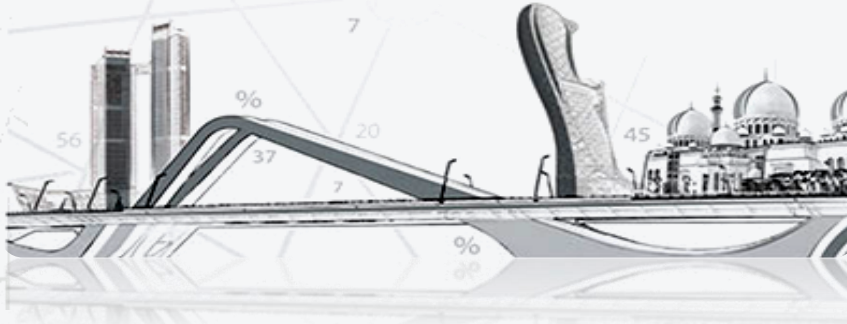
Professional Obstacles are collect of statistical data without practical benefit.

External Obstacles is Represented in the state's general policy conditions

8- Conclusions

1. The importance of **coordination between ministries and government agencies** and decision-makers through the electronic linking to prevent inconsistencies in statistical data.
2. Increasing the **regional forums on a statistical capacity building** regarding the statistical system at the national and regional levels.
3. Necessity of **applying to self-assessment** on the statistical products.
4. Necessity of **good marketing of statistical products** so that they are published in attractive way, clear and understood by everyone.

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