





Improvements in East African Statistics through Capacity Development

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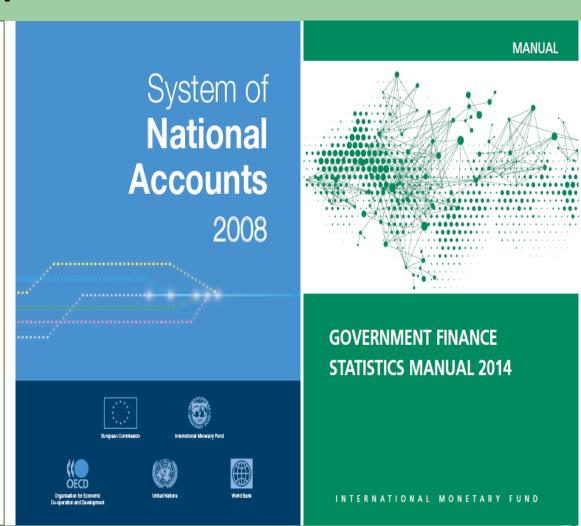
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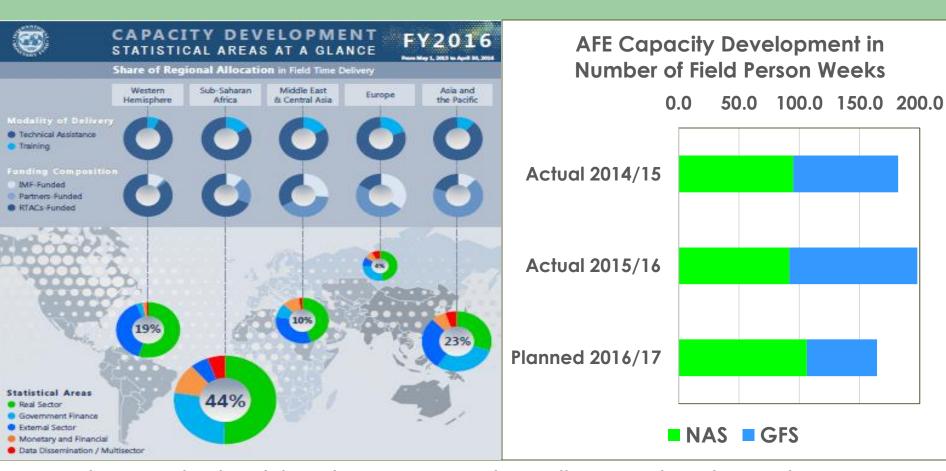
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Capacity Development in East Africa



Statistical capacity developed through: country ownership; well-conceived Results-Based Management Work Plans; and continuous engagement (regional workshops, national training, and technical assistance missions). Graphics prepared by IMF staff.



National Accounts Statistics (NAS) Program

Timely

 Accelerate annual GDP compilation and dissemination, and produce quarterly NAS.

Comprehensive

 Improve and expand the scope of NAS that were being compiled.

Comparable

 Align NAS for all EAC Partner States with the international standard—initially the SNA 1993, and later the SNA 2008.

Rebasing GDP

		Kenya (2013)	Tanzania (2013)	Uganda (2013/14)
1	Change in base year	From 2001 to 2009	From 2001 to 2007	From 2002 to 2009/10
2	GDP Old Series (in billion)	\$44.1	\$33.3	\$21.5
3	GDP New Series (in billion)	\$55.2	\$43.8	\$24.7
4	Percent Change	25.3	27.8	13.1

Source: Brookings Institute.



Government Finance Statistics (GFS) Program

EAMU

2013 East African
 Monetary Union Protocol included key fiscal criteria and 2021 deadline for monitoring compliance.

Gap

 There were wide gaps in required fiscal and debt statistics.

Data

 Operational focus of the program: produce timely, comprehensive, and comparable GFS for monitoring regional convergence.

In 2013:

Timely

No EAC Partner State was producing timely GFS.

Comprehensive

• Partner States were producing GFS mainly for budgetary central government. Spotty reporting of public sector debt statistics.

Comparable

 No Partner State was producing GFS according to the international standard—the GFSM 2014.



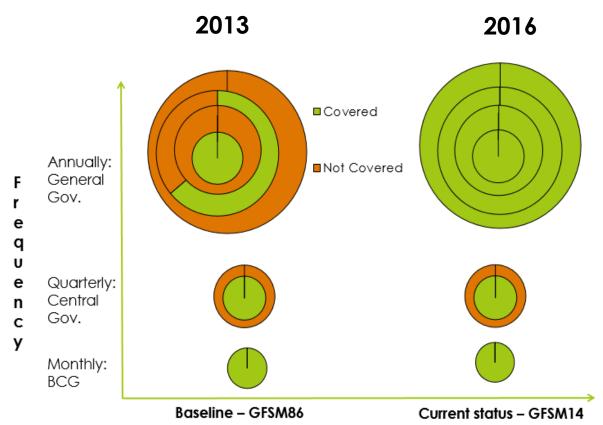
NAS Achievements

		Kenya	Rwanda	Tanzania	Uganda
1	Annual GDP (Production)	•	•	•	•
2	Quarterly GDP (Production)	•	•	•	•
3	Annual GDP (Expenditure)	•	•	•	•
4	Quarterly GDP (Expenditure)		•		
5	Consumer Price Indices	•	•	•	•
6	Producer Price Indices	•	•	•	•
7	Trade Price Indices			•	

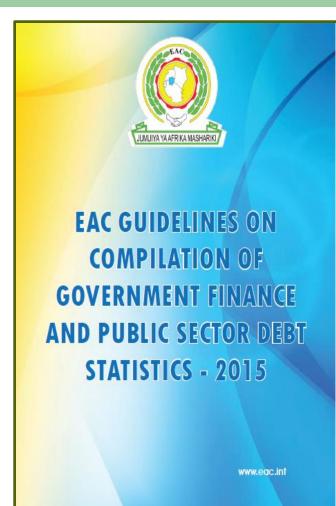
- Quarterly GDP on a production basis
- Manufacturing PPIs
- Regularized and harmonized rebasing of GDP



GFS Achievements



Source: Statistics on pre- and post-capacity development program coverage provided by Partner States' GFS Technical Working Groups; graphics prepared by IMF staff.





Next Steps

Data Collection and Compilation Systems

 Automate data collection and compilation systems, particularly for highfrequency statistics

Data Harmonization and Quality

Improve quality and comparability

Data Dissemination

 Emphasize dissemination - positive impact on policy decision-making and investment decisions



Thank you