# International Comparison Program

8<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Inter-Agency Coordination Group (IACG)

Updates on the ICP 2021 cycle Implementation in Africa

October 31 – November 3, 2023

World Bank HQ (MC 4-800), Washington, DC







- 1. Implementation status
  - Surveys + Expenditure compilation status
- 2. Data & metadata submission & validation status
- 3. PPP estimation status (2021, 2017, timeseries)
- 4. Forthcoming activities and meetings



# 1. Implementation:

## Surveys & Expenditure compilation status



#### Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(1)

- - 2= Somalia + South Sudan:
  - **ADF Countries Versus Concessional Countries**
- Besides the very late data collection commencement (July 2022), The convergence of data collection calendar was effective to July 2023:
  - Main survey HHC: July 2022 to March 2023
    - i. Interim comparisons: 2020, 2021:
      - a) Objectives: Keep Countries alive (after Covid-19): March 2020 to July 2022: Opportunity for the AFR Region to determine whether and how average prices and other 2017 comparison results will be used for computing both collected Prices during the interim exercise (March December 2020) as well as eligible prices from CPI database (2021, 2022);



#### Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(1)

- a) Finalization of Implementation procedures with COMESA, (Disbursements, expected outcomes, related timeline).
- AfDB requested all 52 countries to submit prices for CPI-ICP common products for 2020-2022. Such prices were received from August 2020 to June 2022.
- Special Surveys: July 2022 to March 2023
  - i. Interim comparisons: 2020, **2021**, 2022
  - ii. AfDB requested all 52 countries to submit the following:
    - **EDUC**: 2018/2019, 2019/2020, 2020/2021, 2021/2022;
    - **GOV**: Revised-2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021;
    - RENT: submitted Rents for 2020, 2021 and 2022;
    - HOUV: submitted Prices for 2020, 2021 and 2022;



## | Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(2)

- ICP Surveys Sampling and implementation
  - ✓ NOT SAME SAMPLES as in 2017! The 2021 SAMPLING vary from 55% to 75% different from 2017 (EDUC, RENT, HOUV, GOV)
  - ✓ GOV: the 2011 5-Years structure was used:
  - ✓ EDUC: Hybrid system applies: In-person & Distance Learning
  - ✓ **RENTALS**: 2021 Rents tend to lower from the 2017 Round: number of unoccupied Houses keeps growing since Covid-19 in March 2020!!!
- Expenditures Statistics: July 2022 to date.
  - 1. 2017, Revised 2017, 2021 Vectors
  - a) 2017 Revised Vectors
    - GDP rebasing milestones and SNA implementations
    - 02 countries still using SNA 1968: Sudan (1981/82), Libya (2013),
    - 13 countries still at 1993 SNA stage, (o/w: DZA, EGY,AGO, COG, GAB => AFDB Concessional Countries) but recorded significant changes from latest ES: EGY (85%), ETH (Very High!!!)



#### Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(4)

- 38 countries rebased from 1993 to 2008 SNA:
  - i. % change ranged from -3.6% (MWI), 27% (GHA), 33.5% (NGE),
     ETH (High!!!)
  - ii. Malawi (!): Upward (85%); Namibia + Botswana (-3.7%);
  - iii. All GDP rebased completed and/or reviewed and validated as from March 2020.
- b) The 2017 GDP Vector was "Very Preliminary for about 65% of Countries"
- Updates GDP vs revised STRUCTUES AND PPPS
  - a) Differences
  - b) Consequences
  - c) PPP times series



#### Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(5)

- Expenditures Statistics: July 2022 to date (Cnt'd).
  - 1. 2017, Revised 2017, 2021 Vectors
  - c) 2017 vs 2017-Revised

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Codes	→ ClassificationName	Lev€,,	Level	2017	2017-R 🔻	2018	2019	2020 🗸	2021 -
1000000	GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT	1	GDP	5,803,557.4	7,751,211.0	8,513,328.0	8,237,463.3	7,642,142.6	8,537,038.3
1100000	INDIVIDUAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY HOUSEHOLDS	2	Main Aggregate	4 102 041 0	E 204 104 0	5,487,513.0	4,987,071.5	4,900,156.6	5,145,977.2
1200000	INDIVIDUAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY NPISHs	2	Main Aggregate	128,965.0	49,818.0	43,376.0	32,015.0	32,442.0	49,761.6
1300000	INDIVIDUAL CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY GOVERNMENT	2	Main Aggregate	294,229.6	726,329.0	679,492.0	587,154.3	593,053.7	760,062.9
1400000	COLLECTIVE CONSUMPTION EXPENDITURE BY GOVERNMEN	r 2	Main Aggregate	336,454.1	15,317.0	14,787.0	16,200.6	15,250.4	15,376.3
1500000	GROSS CAPITAL FORMATION	2	Main Aggregate	1,273,990.6	1,436,815.0	1,866,654.0	2,155,931.0	2,362,233.1	1,977,131.2
1600000	BALANCE OF EXPORTS AND IMPORTS	2	Main Aggregate	(423,123.8)	238,828.0	421,506.0	459,091.0	(260,993.2)	588,729.1

d) MEQ+CON: data is still be reviewed and addressed identified issues

Countries	Last Base Year	Year Impact on GDP			
Egypt	2021/2022	85.0%	1993 SNA		
Comoros	2011	72.0%	1993 SNA		
— Gambia	2013	52.0%	2008 SNA		
Côte d'Ivoire	2015	38.2%	2008 SNA		
Benin	2018	36.7%	2008 SNA		
Niger	2018	33.5%	2008 SNA		
Senegal	2014	29.4%	2008 SNA		
Ghana	2013	27.0%	2008 SNA		
Chad	2005	25.4%	2008 SNA		
Mauritania	2020	22.7%	2008 SNA		
Madagascar	2018	20.5%	1993 SNA		
Burundi	2016	20.0%	2008 SNA		
Mali	2019	19.0%	2008 SNA		
Burkina Faso	2018	13.5%	2008 SNA		
Cape Vert	2015	9.6%	2008 SNA		
South Africa	2015	9.2%	2008 SNA		
Algeria		8.5%	1993 SNA		
Maroc	2014	8.2%	2008 SNA		
Kenya	2016	8.1%	2008 SNA		
Cameroun	2016	8.0%	2008 SNA		
Tunisie	2021	6.0%	2008 SNA		
Seychelles	2014	3.3%	2008 SNA		
Rwanda	2017	2.0%	2008 SNA		
Uganda	2016/17	1.0%	2008 SNA		
Botswana	2016	-3.6%	2008 SNA		
Namibia	2010	-3.7%	2008 SNA		
Ethiopia	2015/2016	High	1993 SNA		
Malawi	2017	Upward (85%)	2008 SNA		
Swaziland	2011	Upward	2008 SNA		
Zimbabwe	2019	20% (No change in growth rate)	2008 SNA		
Centrafrique	2005		2008 SNA		

1	Countries	Last Base Year	Impact on GDP	SNA implemented	
	Lesotho	2012	NA	2008 SNA	
	Liberia	2016	NA	2008 SNA	
	Libya	2013	NA	1968 SNA	
	Angola	2002		1993 SNA	
	Congo	2005		1993 SNA	
	Djibouti	2015		2008 SNA	-
	Equatorial Guinea			1993 SNA	
	Gabon	2001		1993 SNA	0000
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	Guinee	2016		1993 SNA	0000
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	Mozambique	2014		2008 SNA	
	Nigeria	2010		2008 SNA	
	RD Congo			1993 SNA	
	Sao Tomé et Principé	2010/2011		1993 SNA	
	Sierra Leone	2006		1993 SNA	::::
	Somalia	2017		2008 SNA	
	South Sudan	2009		2008 SNA	2222
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	Tanzania	2015		2008 SNA	0.0. 6
	Togo	2016		2008 SNA	
	Zambia	2010		2008 SNA	
	Eritrea				



## (1) Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(6)

### **GDP Validation – Review (1):**

Levels

## **Types of Validation**

1. NIAs (Countries) Intra-Country Validation: Data QUALITY CONTROL

National statistics offices still:

- reviewing and evaluating expenditures 2017 and Revised 2017 as well as relevant metadata, and build 2017-2021 series;
- validating against implemented SNA requirements vis-à-vis previous data

2. AFR -Regional

#### Inter-Country Validation (!!!)

The regional implementing agencies review the expenditures on a rolling Approach and focus on **Country Intra- Validation values across countries & regions** 

**AFR Focuses** on NIA Compliance to SNA

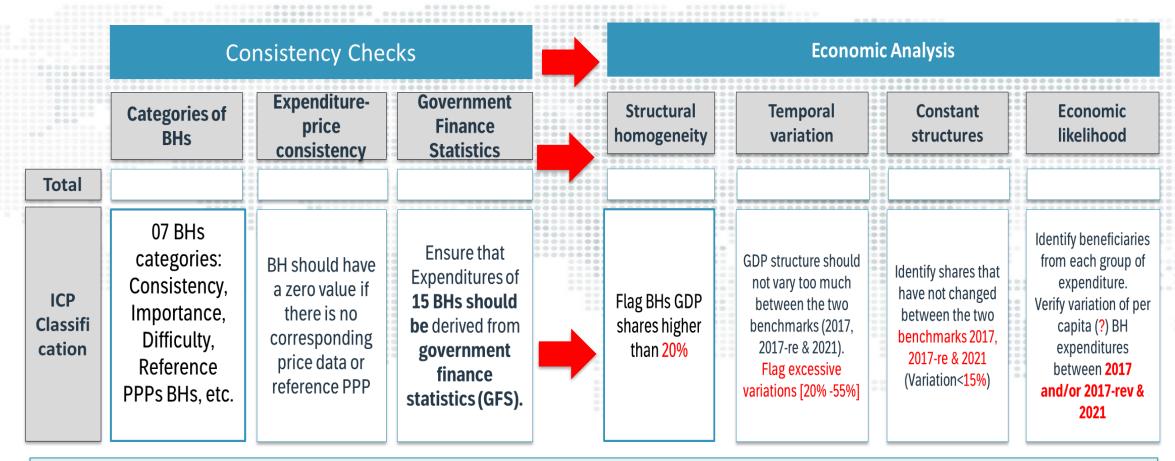
#### **BASIC CHECKS:**

- Additivity Check (Up to aggregates = GDP)
- **Should be Non-Zero (Basic Headings)**
- **Should be Negative (Basic Headings)**
- **Should be Positive (Basic Headings)**



#### (1) Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(7)

#### **GDP Validation – Review (2):**



Comparing 2017 AND 2017-Rev is challenging !!!



#### Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023

#### **REVISED DATA**

- Special Surveys: July 2022 to March 2023
  - EDUC: 2018/2019, 2019/2020, 2020/2021, 2021/2022;
    - ➤ End-November 2023
  - GOV: Revised-2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021;
    - > End-November 2023
  - RENT + HOUV: submitted Rents for 2020, 2021 and 2022;
    - ➤ End-November 2023
  - GDP: submitted Prices for 2020, 2021 and 2022;
    - Ongoing process: Cut-off day end December 2023
- Dual countries: harmonization process for SS and GDP



#### Implementation Status: as at 31 October 2023-(3)

#### Key Questions FROM Countries

- EDUC: Why the sources of tuition data can not be accessed on annual basis instead of organizing specific surveys?
  - a) NO Uniformity of Modalities in Private School year and across education sectors,
  - b) Cross-country comparability of System and "Concept of Private"
  - c) Full Price vs Subsidy practice in private education system (Cabo Verde, etc.)
  - d) Regulations of private education system differ across the 52 countries:
  - e) Country-based or central data collection at RIA?
  - f) Concept of "Room", & "Pieces", "Usable Surface", etc.
- RENTALS : Data Challenges :
  - a) Data sources: Population and housing censuses, Housing surveys and
  - Household expenditure surveys are NOT conducted on a regular basis! 2017 Prices still Apply in 2021 for many countries delay of statistical activities impacted by the Covid-19;
  - b) Differences in capacity level: Differences in capacity builting between countries (Absence of SUTs = No Housing Expenditures) ESTIMATES (!)



#### Submission Status: as at 31 October 2023

- ☐ Intra-Country Validation: PERMANENT PROCESS
  - = Still being affected by movement: Retirement, movement of staff: 45% is new as from March 2023
  - a) HHC: submitted for the MAY 2023 IACG meeting
  - b) GIU / AFR Data review in July 2023
  - c) Rolling SUBMISSION to GIU: 6 versions from July to 22 October 2023
  - d) CONstruction is yet to be submitted: Web Scraping and DCF IDENTIFIED issues are being Fixed
  - **21 Countries reviewed GDP, RENT, EDUC and GOV:** submit this morning (31st OCTOBER 2023)







#### Data & metadata submission & validation status

- 1. Population: 2015 2022
  - WPP the 2022 Revision, Priority to Country Figures
- CPI: 2015 2022 monthly Indices (National GDP Deflators);
   Last HHBS, LSMS, EBCs,
  - objective is to improve the type and quality of household data collected in NIA and appraise the ICP-CPI Common Items received
- 3. SFQ: being finalized
- 4. NA: Questionnaire is now being finalized
- 5. HOUV, RENT: requested Countries to submit all their metadata used
- 6. GOV: Received DECREES for various Countries where significant changes were observed, Sampling methods

whenever possible!



#### Data & metadata submission & validation status

- 6. XRs: 2015-2022
- Zimbabwe:
  - a) USD from 2011 to 2019 then USD;
  - b) USD/ZWL: 2020 (51.33), 2021 (88.55), 2022 (374.95)
- Somalia: USD
- Liberia: Stabilized Using LRD for all Surveys

#### **Two Regional Workshops: January and June 2023**

- Data validation
- GDP rebasing and structure issues





## - Next Steps : ForBaC Data

# Finalisation of ForBac; Extrapolation of 2020->2021 & BackCasting of 2022->2021

	HHC-ICP Items	ICP-H/CPI Common Items	H/CPI Item Averages	National Accounts	Private Educatio n	Govt Comp	Housing (R+V)	MEQ+CO N	Mores	
2017-19	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	•	
2020	+				+		+			
2021	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	5
2022	+				+		+	+		



# PPP Computation and African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA)

- Budget is now allotted & Processing on Getting Expertise on Board Next Month!
- 2017: definitely will be different with Revised 2017
  - 2018-2021 prices and Vectors to be stabilized after ForBac is completed.
  - publication is expected ate same time or after the AOE 2024 (Mid-March, 2024)
    - AFDB publications cut-off date for data is 28 FEB each
       Year; Annual Meetings=> May 2024.



#### **2024 Implementation Status**

- Reviewing and ADRESSING the HHC 2021 issues: Coverage, UoM, Localities!
- Finalized the draft List for the following:
  - EDUC:
  - HOUSING
  - GOV
  - MEQ+CON: 70% of HHC: countries find two much!!!!
  - Wait Feedback from countries: 24th DECEMBER 2023
  - → FINALIZE & UPDATE ILMT by end JANUARY 2024
    → START OF 2024 ROUND (!!!?!!!)

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