

Target groups

Staff involved in or responsible for the development, production and dissemination of official statistics in statistical administrations at regional or national level (STATAFRIC, Regional Economic Communities, National Statistical Offices).

Programme components

In addition to the Service Contract, there are several grants that handle more specific parts of the programme.

- **OECD** assists in providing reliable and harmonised national revenue statistics for dissemination in both continental and international databases.
- **FAO** works on agricultural statistics and the implementation of Global Strategy to Improve Agricultural and Rural Statistics (GSARS II), in establishing a minimum set of core data to be produced and disseminated in NSOs. They also assist in integrating agricultural data into the national statistical systems.
- **ECOBUSAF** works on economic and business registers. They support some countries on the implementation of the 2008 SNA, tourism satellite accounts and experiments on distributed social accounts. ECOBUSAF also works with selected countries to improve and build business registers for statistical purposes.
- **SOCSTAF** works on social statistics. Their main objective is to reinforce the capacity of selected NSOs in producing social statistics in health, education, and labour.
- **ECA** gives support on data on SDG goals and modernisation of administrative sources. They contribute to modernise administrative registers in pilot countries to help improve the production of official statistics. They also assist on improving the centralization of data by producers of statistics in national statistical systems.

The Africa-EU Strategic Partnership

The Africa-EU Strategic Partnership is the formal channel through which the European Union and the African continent work together. It is now based on the Joint Vision for 2030 adopted by Heads of State and Governments at the 6th EU-Africa Summit in 2022.

It reflects the commitment of both sides to work together on a strategic, equal and long-term footing. Several areas of cooperation have been identified:

- Peace and security
- Democracy, good governance and human rights
- Human development
- Sustainable and inclusive development and growth and continental integration
- Fair and equitable access to vaccines
- Global and cross-cutting issues

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PAS II
*supports official
quality statistics in
Africa*





The second phase of the Pan African Statistics Programme, PAS II, was launched in 2022. The EU-funded programme aims at further developing institutional and statistical capacity within the African Statistical System (AfSS).

PAS II is divided into several components, which are implemented by various stakeholders.

Objectives

- Improve quality, production & dissemination of statistics to support policy decision makers
- Strengthen institutional capacities of the African statistical system
- Support STATAFRIC in becoming a main pillar of harmonized statistics in Africa
- Complement/increase the capacities of statisticians

These objectives can be achieved by improving within the African Statistical System:

• Statistics capacity

To help increase the quality of core statistics throughout the AfSS, PAS II assists countries in need in the compilation and timely dissemination of statistics in all priority domains.

• Institutional capacity

PAS II supports STATAFRIC in implementing the Strategy for the Harmonization of Statistics in Africa 2017-2026 (SHaSA 2) throughout the AfSS, including Regional Economic Communities (RECs) and National Statistical Offices (NSOs).

This includes improving the functioning of Specialized technical groups (STGs). The STGs agree on technical and methodological issues for all statistics in Africa and are led by STATAFRIC. PAS II assists STGs on trade, national accounts and agriculture.

PAS II supports peer reviews and the establishment of a framework to monitor the implementation of the recommendations from the reviews. PAS II also supports selected RECs in their efforts to produce quality and harmonized statistics.

• Professional statistical capacity

The production of quality statistics requires professional statisticians. PAS II supports the development of professional statistical capacity:

- *Stakeholder's events* on topics of interest for the AfSS
- *PAS Academy* / competence building through live and digital workshops
- *Digital collaboration platform* / promotion of professional networks within the AfSS
- *PAS Publishing House* / production and dissemination of methodology and analytical papers with contributions from AfSS

Priority areas

The PAS II programme is funded by the European Union and is divided into several components. The largest component is the Service Contract, implemented by a consortium led by Expertise France in partnership with AFRISTAT, GIZ, INSEE, DEVSTAT and Afrobarometer.

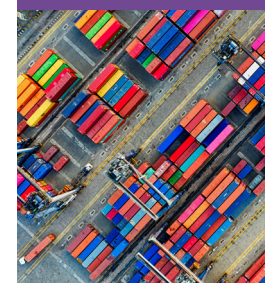
The Service Contract, managed by Eurostat, focuses on three priority statistical areas, aiming to achieve tangible impact.

National accounts



- 8 countries complete the rebasing and implementation of the 2008 SNA
- 14 countries publish Quarterly national accounts
- High-frequency regional and continental macroeconomic aggregates are made available by STATAFRIC

Trade Statistics



- Full use of the standard IMTS 2010
- Africatrade database and Africa Trade Yearbook available
- 20 countries use the EBOPS 2010 classification
- 9 countries estimate the Informal Cross Border Trade

Agricultural Statistics



- 30 countries produce and disseminate a minimum set of core data
- Food balance sheets (FBS) are available in 5 countries
- 18 countries integrate relevant variables on agriculture sampling in census

Other main objectives

- Support STATAFRIC in becoming a continental pillar of statistical harmonisation by 2026.
- Support RECs on methodology, harmonization and quality frameworks, with a special attention to COMESA and IGAD.