

Africa Region

Revised/Final Narrative work plan 2018 (under GTF and EU funds)

Introduction and background

The Regional Office for Africa (RO) is pleased to present its 2018 revised/final consolidated annual Workplan/Budget. It has been built on the same model of 2017 and include the activities to be implemented by the African Development Bank (AfDB), the Economic Commission for Africa of the United Nations (UNECA) and the Global Office (GO), highlighted in blue, orange and green colour, respectively.

The revised 2018 workplan/budget is fully kept aligned with the Logical Framework of the Global Strategy for Improving Agricultural and Rural Statistics in general, and its Action Plan for Africa in particular. The related activities are grouped by regional output, which in turn are tied to the respective global outputs. An indication is also given as to what pillar of the Global Strategy each activity belongs. In fact, the Global Strategy is built on three pillars, namely:

- a) The establishment of a Minimum Set of Core Data (MSCD) that countries will collect to meet current and emerging demands.
- b) The integration of agriculture into national statistical systems in order to satisfy the demands of policy makers and other users who rely on comparable data across locations and over time.
- c) The foundation that will provide the sustainability of the agricultural statistics system through governance and statistical capacity building.

In response to that, the Global Strategy has set 5 global outputs among which the following three are expected to be addressed by regions: (i) Effective governing bodies set up and functioning at global and regional levels, (ii) Coordinating bodies of the national statistical system, legal frameworks and strategic plans established in target countries, and (iii) Increased capacity of agricultural statistics staff in regional training centres (i.e. trainers) and target countries.

In Africa, each of the implementing partners has set its own regional outputs which are broken-down by activities.

At the outset of the implementation period of the Action Plan for Africa of the Global Strategy, the management and coordination framework of the program have been put in place. Country Assessments (CA) to set up baseline information and monitor the progress being made in implementing the program have been carried out in 2014 and 2016, respectively. The Launching Workshop of the 3rd CA Cycle has been conducted in April 2018 to measure the impact of the implementation of the Global Strategy in the region. The preliminary results are being reviewed before analysis and publication. A mechanism for compiling the MSCD has been arranged and the first results have been published in 2017. This work has continued in 2018 to provide users with the most updated data, hence responding to the first pillar of the Global Strategy while showcasing how countries are improving their capacity to produce it. At that end, an MSCD Open Data Platform has been developed, including an online system for data compilation, submission, checking/validation and dissemination. A regional workshop to train country experts on its use will take place early July 2018, in Abuja, Nigeria. During the period 2015-2016, 24 countries were identified as having a strong need for developing their Strategic Plans for Agricultural and Rural Statistics (SPARS). So far, this has been achieved in 11 countries, the same is about to be done in other three countries, while that the process is expected to be completed by the end of 2018 for the remaining countries so that the second pillar of the Global Strategy is well addressed. Concerning the third pillar, it is addressed through Output 4 entitled "Increased capacity of agricultural statistics staff in regional training centres (i.e. trainers) and target countries". Related activities have been carried out by UNECA, AfDB and Global Office through Training component activities and Technical Assistance on the use of cost-effective methods (Agricultural Cost of Production, Master Sampling Frame, CAPI, Food Balance Sheets, Data Reconciliation, Livestock Statistics, and Post-Harvest Losses). In provision of training in newly developed methods in agricultural statistics, 40 countries have been targeted in the period 2016-2017. The target has been exceeded by successfully training 52 countries. As additional newly developed methods become available through the

Research component it is envisaged to continue capacitating experts and practitioners in these target countries during 2018. The successful implementation of this 2018 workplan will contribute to the attainment of the envisaged goals at the onset of the Action Plan for Africa of the Global Strategy.

It is with the purpose of keeping the momentum reached so far, and ensuring a strong finish towards achieving the objectives set by the Global Strategy, and as outlined in the corresponding logical framework, that the preliminary 2018 Workplan/Budget for the last year of implementation of the Global Strategy has been revised in June 2018 to take into account latest developments, including the actual 2017 expenditures and estimated expenditures of first semester of 2018.

In so doing, activities and corresponding budget were planned with the following assumptions:

- a) The implementation period of the Global Strategy is until the end of 2018;
- b) The remaining GTF funds (2nd 2018 disbursement) will be entirely made available to implementing partners early Semester 2 of 2018;
- c) As for EU funds, activities have been planned based on matching the needs of beneficiaries with the performance of the implementing partners (by the end of June 2018, a record of 75% expenditure rate has been reached);
- d) Given that the revised workplan does not foresee the use of all the remaining EU funds, and considering the remaining timeframe, it is expected to lay the grounds for a potential no cost extension of the EU funding agreement beyond 2018.

As per the related GSC decision, this 2018 revised workplan/budget is a final one since that it is based on actual 2017 expenditures and Carried-Forward for 2018, hence on the certified financial report which was made available in by April 2018.

This 2018 revised/final Workplan/Budget keeps focusing on the acceleration of the delivery of TA on cost-effective methods through a joint effort between the African Development Bank (AfDB) and the GO, as well as on the Training Component activities which are being implemented by UNECA. It also takes into consideration the need to complete the development process of SPARS where this activity has been already initiated (this is a recommendation made by the 25th Session of AFCAS which was held in Entebbe, from 13-17 November 2017).

AfDB and UNECA activities will continue to be funded from GTF and EU funds, while that the GO TA activities will continue to be exclusively funded from the GTF.

The 2018 revised/final workplan and budget are presented using the template endorsed by the RSTC in October 2015 and reflect both funding sources (the GTF and the EU). The approval of the GTF and EU budgets by the RSTC will be required before the 2018 revised/final workplan/budget can be submitted to the GSC/GEB. However, the GSC/GEB will ONLY be required to endorse the activities pertaining to the GTF; the EU budget and its-related activities will thus be presented to the GEB for information only.

Technical assistance (TA) activities on cost-effective methods will continue to be performed by the two implementing partners (the AfDB and the GO). The GO's TA activities will be financed through a part of GTF funding allocated to Africa and will conclude in December 2018. The TA activities performed by AfDB will be funded using the actual GTF's 2017 carried-over funds, non-allocated GTF, and the EU funds, including those of the 3rd instalment (after submission and approval of an activity and financial reports on the use of previous received funds to EU. In case that a non-cost extension for the use of the 4rd EU instalment is obtained from the EU, the members of the RO core team, including lead-consultants of TA subject experts, will need to have their contracts extended accordingly before the end of December 2018, hence the need to have related provisions secured.

The RO's mandate remains unchanged. As such, in its quality of overall coordinator of the Global Strategy in Africa, it will continue to ensure that there is an appropriate coordination mechanism between the three implementing partners (AfDB, UNECA and the GO). For that to happen, "Africa Coordination Meetings are

organized regularly to discuss and agree upon on a common work program, clarifying who will do what and when. Since July 2016, such meetings have been organized seven times. Furthermore, Concept Notes on how to deliver on a given TA is discussed jointly between the concerned implementing agencies, so that each TA is delivered to countries in consistent, harmonized and coordinated way. For TA activities of a common interest, there is share of responsibility and resources, to avoid any possible duplication of effort and resources.



GLOBAL OUTPUT 1

Output A1.1 & 1.2 - Governance mechanism and TA component appropriately managed: Planning, Coordination & Monitoring and Evaluation of TA component

<p>A1.1.1</p>	<p>Staffing of the Regional Office for coordination and program management This is about fees for the long-term consultants dedicated to tasks of coordination and program management nature of TA component which have been funded under this budget line using the 2017-2018 GTF. Salaries of other long and short-term consultants, including support staff, are funded under the respective outputs to which they contribute (development and start-up activities of SPARS, and provision of TA to countries on newly developed cost-effective methods, data production, harmonization and dissemination, and administrative data).</p> <p>It should be noted that the Bank is completing the recruitment process of a Principal Agricultural Statistician who will leading the work of the Team from 1st September 2018 onward.</p> <p>In the 2018 preliminary workplan/budget, this budget line was to pay one-year contract of one AfDB long-term consultant (LTCs) of the Regional Office since that contracts for other LTCs were issued in 2017, hence not reflected in the 2018 workplan/budget although their assignments are executed in 2018.</p> <p>In case that a non-cost extension for the use of the EU instalment is obtained from the EU, the members of the RO core team, including lead-consultants of TA subject experts, will need to have their contracts extended accordingly before the end of December 2018, hence the need to have related provisions secured.</p> <p>In this revised workplan/budget, it is proposed to use the balance for covering the cost of the 8th RSTC Meeting to be held by the end of 2018.</p>	
	<p>Initial GTF budget: US\$ 173,244: Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: Salaries for one- LTC.</p> <p>Revised GTF budget: US\$ 145,000: Newly requested for 2018. Activities funded by the GTF: Salaries for one- LTC.</p> <p>Justification: The contract process was completed in March, hence to cover only 10 months. The balance from the initial budget will be used to cover the funding gap of Activity A1.1.3</p>	<p>EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>Revised EU funds: US\$ 1,200k (EUR 895k): Newly requested for 2018. Activities funded by the EU: Salaries for the RO Core Team and lead-consultants subject experts.</p> <p>Justification: In order to secure the availability of the RO Core Team, in case that a non-cost extension for the use of the EU remaining funds is obtained from the EU. If not,</p>
<p>A1.1.3</p>	<p>Regional Steering Committee (RSTC) meetings The 4th meeting of the RSTC for Africa recommended that at least two days be planned for following meetings to allow in-depth discussions. This to allow members to digest and deliberate adequately on different agenda items. In 2018, it is planned to have the first meeting during the first semester of 2018, and the other one by the end of the year. The first meeting will be mainly organized to review and approve the revised and final 2018 workplan/budget. The second one will be organized to take stock of the achievements and impact of the implementation of the Global Strategy in Africa, and review and approve the 2019 workplan/budget in case that a related no cost extension for the use of remaining EU funds is granted by EU.</p>	

	<p>In addition to the 21 members of the RSTC, some resource-persons will be invited to attend and present/discuss some specific subjects at the planned meeting, particularly to showcase the achievements of the implementation of the Global Strategy in Africa. The estimation is based on the unit cost of previous similar meetings.</p>	
	<p>Initial GTF: US\$ 0 Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>Revised GTF budget: US\$ 28,748: Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: RSTC Meeting of Semester 2 of 2018.</p> <p>Justification: To complement the cost of the first RSTC Meeting which was underestimated</p>	<p>Initial EU funds: US\$ 40,933 (EUR 30,700): US\$ 933 (EUR 700) carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 40,000 (EUR 30,000) newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: RSTC Meeting of June 2018.</p> <p>No Revision required</p>
<p>A1.2.1</p>	<p>Planning and coordination meetings of the Regional Secretariat</p> <p>As per the Africa Action Plan implementation requirements, the Regional Secretariat includes representatives of all implementing agencies of the Research, TA and Training components (FAO, AfDB and UNECA, respectively). Given that the GO is implementing part of the TA activities in partnership with AfDB, the GO is also part of the Secretariat.</p> <p>To ensure a smooth implementation of planned activities, regular Africa Coordination Meetings are organized to discuss planning, coordination and management aspects of the implementation of the program. So far, seven of such meetings have taken place.</p> <p>In 2018, Africa Coordination Meetings will continue to be held on a regular basis, with about 10 participants from implementing agencies (AfDB, FAO, and UNECA). Furthermore, as host of the Regional Secretariat of the Action Plan, and being the lead implementing agency of the TA component on the continent, AfDB will also be represented at coordination meetings which will be organized by the Global Office, including November 2018 Conference. This estimation is based on the cost unit of similar previous meetings</p>	
<p>Output U1.1 - Training component appropriately managed</p>		
<p>U1.1.1</p>	<p>Staff recruitment and preparation of project documents</p> <p>Payments for long-term staff in charge of implementing the training component.</p> <p>The following staffing is foreseen for the delivery of the training component:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - L4 (USD 211,600) coordinating the training component - L3 (USD 173,700) providing programme management - 2 Team Assistants (USD 85,875) - Communication Consultant (USD 61,250) ensuring that the results of the training component are adequately integrated in the communication material. 	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 424,100 (\$ 424,100 carried forward from 2017. No new budget is requested from 2018 allocation for this output in 2018)</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 140,626 (EUR 105,469): US\$ 54,751 (EUR 41,063 carried forward from 2017 and USD 85,875 (EU 64,406) newly requested for 2018.</p>

	<p>Activities funded by the GTF: Salaries for the L4, L3, one staff assistant for 12 months and recruitment of communications expert for 2 months</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 347,633 to cover the cost of the staff for the management of the training component activities (No new budget is requested from 2018 allocation for this output in 2018)</p>	<p>Activities funded by the GTF: recruitment of communications consultant for 10 months, salaries for the 2 admin assistants</p> <p>No revision required</p>
<p>U1.1.2</p>	<p>Backstopping the training program</p> <p>An allocation of additional US\$ 36,800 is made to maintain list of training courses available to help the HR managers identify the opportunities to build capacities in agricultural statistics.</p> <p>Backstopping the Training Programme</p> <p>An allocation of additional US\$ 15,000 is made to maintain list of training courses available to help the HR managers identify the opportunities to build capacities in agricultural statistics</p> <p>The budget is going to support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • US\$ 12,000 for Travel of selected 6 HR managers to regional Events to participate in training needs data gathering, planning and analysis = (US\$ 2,000 (Ticket +DSA)) • US\$ 21,800 to assess impacts of trainings delivered to date on selected agencies • US\$ 3,000 for further upgrade the database of Trainees 	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 15,000 (\$ 10,000 carried forward from 2017, \$ 5,000 New activities for 2018). Activities funded by the GTF: As above.</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 38,600 Carried forward from 2017 (No new budget is requested from 2018 allocation for this output as it has a sufficient carry forward)</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
<p>U1.1.3</p>	<p>Advisory missions</p> <p>25 travels are planned with an estimated average cost of US\$2,600 per travel.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Visiting statistical training centers in line with the upgrading of training facilities and the support to the implementation of the training curricula. - Raising awareness and presenting the strategies and the main recommendations of the project about the importance of strategic human resources management and training needs assessment to national authorities, preferably at the same times where the technical assistance component has sent mission to the country, to create synergy and show that the three components of the project are one. - Visiting the other components of the project and/or participating in selected events organized by the other components to align our strategies. - Coordination meeting with AfDB and the Global Office as well as taking part in high level conferences on agricultural statistics <p>For the development and roll out of the Specialized training program as well as supporting the administration of the scholarship budget.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$60,000 (\$ 35,000 are carried over from 2017 and \$ 25,000 requested as New activity for 2018) Activities funded by the GTF: As above</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A</p> <p>No revision required</p>

U1.1.4	<p>Project Communication and Advocacy (in line with the overall global strategy communication). A total allocation of USD 67,900 has been made of this output to cover the following activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Further development of Communication and advocacy materials and outputs - Maintaining the Training Component Website - Report to StatCom of the activities of the GS - Coordinate with the GO to disseminate the training material. - Preparation and dissemination of project materials in StatCom and other advocacy materials in major events 	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 46,000 (\$ 21,000 carried forward from 2017 and \$ 25,000 requested as New activity for 2018) Activities funded by the GTF: As above</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 67,900 (\$ 42,900 carried forward from 2017 and \$ 25,000 requested as New activity for 2018)</p> <p>Justification: Extending the contract of the Communications expert for additional 6 months at US\$ 30,000, Printing of remaining quarter newsletter, continued maintenance of the web space and publication of the 5 years' performance compilation of the training component</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A</p> <p>No revision required</p>
Output U1.2 - Monitoring and evaluation activities of Training component		
U1.2.1	<p>Annual meeting for project monitoring in the framework of AGROST</p> <p>A meeting for the monitoring of the implementation of the training component will be organized, which will gather 20 participants, with an average cost of US\$ 2,500 per participant (travel + DSA). US\$ 5,000 will be used for the conference facilities (room and equipment) and US\$ 5,000 will be used for translation. A total allocation of USD 103,854 is made for this output. This is aspired to cover the annual review meeting of 2017 that has been postponed to 2018 and the final AGROST review meeting to be held at the end of 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGROST meeting Jan 2018 will be held independently in Dakar, Senegal = US\$ 55,000 • AGROST Meeting November 2018 will be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia = US\$ 48,854. This reduces staff travel cost from the total budget 	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: N/A</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 103,854 (EUR 77,890): US\$ 60,000 (EUR 45,000) carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 43,854 (EUR 32,890) requested as additional funds for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: As above.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
U1.2.2	<p>Evaluation</p> <p>US\$ 30,000 will be used for monitoring the implementation of different activities of the project. This fund is expected to cover the planned end of engagement evaluation and its related preparatory and documentation activities.</p>	

	<p>GTF: US\$ 10,000: Requested as additional funds for 2017.</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: Contributions to global evaluation expertise.</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 20,000 (EUR 15,000): US\$ 10,000 (EUR 7,500) carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 10,000 (EUR 7,500) Requested as additional funds for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds for participation in Global and regional evaluation events.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
Output G1.1 – GO Management of the regional component		
G1.1.1	<p>Coordination of the regional component in Africa</p> <p>This activity aims to ensure effective coordination in the implementation of the GO's TA plan and adequate communication between its various stakeholders.</p> <p>In the 2018 approved work plan, activities to be performed under this output included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - General management of activities by the coordination team; - Preparation and participation in one RSC meeting; - Coordination with the other regional implementers (AfDB and UNECA) and implementing partners (AFRISTAT and ENSEA) through regular meetings; - Production of reports and communication of results; - Finalization of the Letter of Agreement with ENSEA for a joint-delivery of TA on CAPI and transfer of know-how on master sampling frame; - Organization of the final conference, highlighting the results of the GS, including those of the TA component managed by the GO. <p>Progress made between January and June 2018</p> <p>During this period, the Global Office (GO) ensured an adequate management of the technical assistance activities performed by the coordination team. Activities were planned and executed using the available budget, following proper management processes and according to the letters of agreement signed with the beneficiary countries. The renewal of team members' contract and procurement activities were processed on time. Reporting requirements were also provided on time. A Letter of agreement was signed with ENSEA for a joint-delivery of TA activities in Niger which were implemented during the first semester. And, regular communications on the TA activities performed by the GO were done through the GO's newsletter (4 articles), AFRISTAT's newsletter (2 articles) and various meetings (AFRISTAT's steering committee, AGROST meeting...). As for the organization of the final conference, very few progress has been made to date as the conference will take place in November 2018.</p> <p>Changes to initial workplan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No changes planned in the activities 	
	<p>Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 243,029: US\$ 327 carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 242,702 requested as additional funds in 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: As above</p> <p>Salary: US\$ 186,066</p> <p>Final Conference: US\$ 45,000</p> <p>Travel: US\$ 9,963 (4 missions)</p> <p>Procurement: US\$ 2,000</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: US\$ 255,710</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: As above</p>	<p>EU funds: N/A</p>

<p>Salary: US\$ 220,238 Final Conference: US\$ 10,000 Travel: US\$ 23,472 (2 missions + 6 appointment travels) Procurement and other supporting costs: US\$ 2,000</p> <p>Justification: Salary and travel costs were underestimated, in particular appointment travels of consultants. The budget for the final conference was therefore reduced to 10,000K to compensate for these extra costs. However, if any savings are made during the second semester, they will be used to increase the budget for the final conference.</p>	
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GLOBAL OUTPUT 2

Output A2.1 - National governance mechanisms supported			
A2.1.1	<p>Support to National Agricultural Statistics Committees and National Technical Working Group activities</p> <p>In addition to establishing National Strategy Coordination units which include heads of agricultural statistics within the Ministry of Agriculture and National Bureau of Statistics (50 countries have already done so), countries are further being supported, through the opportunity of developing Strategic Plans for Agricultural and Rural Statistics (SPARS), to set up National Coordination Committees (NCC) and Technical Working Groups (TWG) on Agricultural Statistics. The NCCs and TWGs include representatives of all sub-sectors of agriculture as a whole. It is therefore considered to continue supporting critical operations of those national governance structures in following ways, but not limited to: Technical support (through national consultancies) to local experts, technical and expert meetings to discuss, review and validate national work plans, validation of data such as Minimum Sets of Core Data (MSCD), workshops of data producers/users and decision-makers for advocacy purposes, etc., focusing on countries where SPARS development is being carried out. 11 countries (Congo Dem Rep, Congo Republic, Chad, Ethiopia, Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Guinea Conakry, Lesotho, Niger, Sao Tome & Principe, and Togo) are to be covered with an average unit cost of USD 30,000 per country (it covers, local transportation, conference room, logistics, reporting, printing, documentation, etc.).</p> <p>These activities were planned and budgeted for in 2017 under EU funds, but not executed as the 2nd EU funds instalment was not received yet and it was proposed to carry forward those activities in 2018.</p> <p>Between January and June 2018, NCC and TWG were supported in DRC, Ethiopia, Togo and Guinea.</p> <p>Changes to initial workplan was to cover part of the cost of the RECs capacitation workshop of June 2018.</p>		
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Output A2.2 - Country Assessment (CA) process			
A2.2.1	<p>Workshop on the CA processes, data compilation and publication</p> <p>The first CA carried out in 2013 has provided the baseline information on the state of National Agricultural Statistical Systems in Africa (Agricultural Statistics Capacity Indicators -ASCI-). The 3rd and 4th Regional Steering Committee meetings held in April 2014 and October 2015, respectively, recommended that the CA be undertaken every two years to measure the progress being made in implementing the Global Strategy in Africa, hence the 2nd and 3rd CAs in 2015 and 2017 reference years respectively. The Global M&E framework and GSC meeting also recommended that CAs results be used by regions for assessing specific performances at country and regional levels in the development of agriculture statistics during the course of the implementation of the Global Strategy. In 2016, Africa conducted its 2nd CA, with 2015 as</p>		

	<p>reference year to measure the progress being made in implementing the Action Plan of the Global Strategy in Africa, and related ASCI results have published in August 2017.</p> <p>In April 2018, the 3rd CA process has been undertaken, for 2017 reference year, to measure the impact of the Global Strategy to countries, and a related report is expected to be prepared and published during the second semester of 2018.</p> <p>As per the past, carried out activities includes following activities: (i) a regional validation workshop for National Strategy Coordinators from all countries and resource-persons (about 65 participants) for EUR 150k (tickets, accommodation and per diem, conference room, interpretation cost), (ii) data processing and generation of ASCI results, and (iii) Publication of the report, with detailed analyzed results for USD 50k (editing, printing and distribution).</p> <p>The estimation of the cost is based on the unit cost of previous CAs.</p>	<p>Initial EU funds: US\$ 200,229 (EUR 150,172) Activities funded by the EU funds: As above.</p> <p>2018 Revised EU funds: US\$ 250,229 (EUR 187,672) Activities funded by the EU funds: As above.</p> <p>Justification: The travel cost for participants to attend the workshop was underestimated</p>
A2.2.2	<p>Proving TA to countries for undertaking in-depth CA as part of SPARS</p> <p>The second stage of SPARS development (Assessing) involves an IdCA of all subsectors of agriculture. Previously, the IdCA was understood to be a standalone activity. However, to speed up the process, the Rabat Workshop of November 2013 recommended to undertake this activity as part of the SPARS process, as per the standard Guidelines. Funds under this activity line is complementing that of the Activity A2.3 in terms of backstopping missions (20 missions in total, with USD 5000 per mission, including tickets and per diem).</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0 Activities funded by the GTF: N/A. No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 97,859 (EUR 73,394): US\$ 11,984 (EUR 8,988) carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 85,875 (EUR 64,406) newly requested for 2018. Activities funded by the EU funds: As above.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
<p>Output A2.3 - Strategic Plans for Agricultural and Rural Statistics (SPARS) as components of NSDS</p>		
A2.3.2	<p>Development and start-up activities of SPARS</p> <p>So far, 11 countries have already completed their SPARS development process (Benin, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cabo Verde, Cameroon, Cote d'Ivoire, Ghana, Senegal, Kenya, Rwanda and Zambia), and three other countries are about to do the same (DRC, Seychelles and Lesotho). The similar work is still being carried out in 10 other countries (Congo Republic, Chad, Ethiopia, Eq. Guinea, Gambia, Guinea Bissau, Guinea Conakry, Niger, Sao Tome & Principe, and Togo). By the end of the implementation period of the Global Strategy, this will make a total of 24 countries with SPARS developed.</p> <p>In fact, in their comments on the preliminary 2016 Workplan/Budget, the RSTC members have advised to decelerated the TA provision on SPARS development so that more attention, time and resources can be devoted to TA provision on newly developed methods. It was therefore decided to extend TA provision on SPARS development, in addition to those where the work is already going on, to only those countries (24) which have already received a positive firm</p>	

	<p>response from the Bank to support them. The target for the 2nd semester of 2018 is to finalise the work in the remaining 10 countries.</p> <p>Contracts of SPARS International consultants will be extended and new national consultants will be recruited to continue assisting with SPARS development process where this has not been done yet (in above 10 countries) For the 2nd Semester of 2018, the cost is of USD 51,000 for national consultants (USD 25,000 per country, for 5 consultants/country, and for 2 countries), and USD 30,000 for 60 man-day of international consultant.</p> <p>For RECs to own and support SPARS development and implementation process in their respective member countries, a related capacitation workshop has been organized to take place early July 2018 so that they can provide any future similar TA to other countries in need and/or to future SPARS generations.</p> <p>Bulk of these activities were planned and budgeted for in 2017 under EU funds. As the 2nd EU funds instalment was not received yet, it was proposed to carry forward those activities in 2018.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0 Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>Initial EU funds: US\$ 424,377 (EUR 318,283): Newly requested for 2017.</p> <p>2018 Revised EU funds: US\$ 638,710 (EUR 479,033) Activities funded by the EU funds: Contracts of international and national consultants, local expenses and backstopping missions.</p> <p>Justification: Due to additional cost REC capacitation workshop, and underestimation cost of backstopping missions</p>
Output U2.1 - Training program integrated, coordinated, and aligned to other parts of NSSs		
U2.1.1	<p>Integrating training needs into agricultural statistics plans No allocation has been made for this activity in 2018.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0 (EUR 0) Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0) Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
Output U2.2 - HR managers trained to be more effective (Phase 1 for 40 countries)		
U2.2.1	<p>Training of HR managers in Agricultural statistics offices on statistical Human capital strategy design and integration and statistical training needs assessment No allocation has been made for this activity in 2018.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0 (EUR 0) Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0) Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>

GLOBAL OUTPUT 4

Output A4.1 - Provision of TA to countries on the use of newly developed cost-effective methods, data production, harmonisation and dissemination

Providing TA on Agricultural Cost of Production (AgCoP) statistics

The identification of Technical Assistance needs conducted in November 2014 in Africa has indicated that 15 countries (Algeria, Botswana, Cabo Verde, Egypt, Gambia, Guinea-Bissau, Malawi, Morocco, Nigeria, Sao Tome et Principe, Seychelles, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Sudan, and Zambia) consider the AgCoP Statistics as one of their top three priorities. Later on, 8 other countries have also expressed the same priority need given that similar initiatives are on-going there (Burkina Faso, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Rwanda, Senegal, Togo, and Tunisia).

To launch and accelerate the provision of TA on AgCoP Statistics in above countries, countries' subject experts have been trained on the use of the manual developed to that end. Two training workshops for French and English Speaking countries have been organized in Hammamet (from 07-11 March 2016) and in Cairo (from 03-07 April 2016), respectively. Two participants per country (those responsible for AgCoP Statistics, or Agricultural Statistics if AgCoP statistics activities are not undertaken yet there) attended the workshops: one from the Ministry of Agriculture and another from the National Statistical Office. This has given them the opportunity to share experiences and best practices in producing good quality AgCoP statistics.

Among the recommendations and the conclusions made by both workshops, there is a critical need to deliver specific well targeted TA which is tailored to actual country needs on the matter. To better identify these TA specific needs, an assessment was made to enquire if AgCoP activities are undertaken, the level of implementation and sectors covered if yes, and specific activities/areas for which a technical assistance is needed to improve their AgCoP Statistics production.

A4.1.1

A detailed concept note on AgCoP TA delivery model has been developed, discussed and agreed upon by both implementing parties of TA (AfDB and GO/FAO). A user-friendly Excel Model to generate AgCoP indicators has been developed. Field tested and is expected to be used by countries in needs.

To that end, and complementary to a similar TA which is being provided by the GO to three countries (Botswana, Seychelles and Zambia), AfDB has been doing the same in **Tunisia, Cabo Verde, Lesotho, Madagascar, and Malawi** where the first exploratory/diagnosis missions have been undertaken resulting into the development of roadmaps of all then needed activities which are being implemented. In fact, the development of those Roadmaps for activities to be undertaken are being followed by actual TA backstopping missions, including on the use of the AgCoP Excel Model. It should be noted that Lesotho and Madagascar were added (comparatively to the list of last year) based on a strong interest for assistance that they have expressed.

On another note, AgCoP is one of the agenda items which are covered by the RECs capacitation workshop, hence the need for additional funding for this purpose (cos sharing between concerned activity lines).

The cost is estimated based on an average unit cost of USD 30k per country (based on the cost of the first country), excluding the cost due to RECs capacitation workshop.

GTF: US\$ 0

Initial EU funds: US\$ 149,667 (EUR 112,250):
US\$ 36,667 (EUR 27,500) carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 113,000 (EUR 84,750) newly requested in 2018.

	<p>Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>Activities funded by the EU funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consultants backstopping missions; - Support staff and other local expenses; - National consultants. <p>2018 Revised EU funds: US\$ 299,667 (EUR 224,750)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: As above.</p> <p>Justification: Due to additional cost of RECs capacitation workshop and cost of contract extension of international consultants</p>
<p>A4.1.2</p>	<p>Providing TA on Master Sampling Frame (MSF)</p> <p>TA has been provided to Rwanda for using an efficient Multiple Frame Survey methodology (area and list) system, which is running successfully.</p> <p>To expand that initiative to other countries in need and complement the TA that the GO will be providing to Cabo Verde, Cote d'Ivoire, Madagascar and Mali on the same theme, an identification of the actual TA needs on MSF has been carried out, so that further support can be given to other 8 selected countries which have indicated that MSF is among the three top priorities (Senegal, Benin, Morocco, Burundi, Kenya, Mozambique, Seychelles, and Tanzania). To that end, a more focussed training workshop on MSF has been conducted in December 2017, in Rwanda, for above countries.</p> <p>The emphasis of the training was on hands on experience and concrete and best practices cases (through field-visits on sites), transfer of know-how, and discussion on countries specific problems on the topic. The purpose was to provide these countries with enough knowledge to address their specific tasks in the implementation of the concerned topics. The trainings was also be an opportunity to build partnerships and to identify further resource persons for south-south cooperation for future similar TA.</p> <p>Thereafter, bilateral exploratory missions have been provided to Benin, Senegal, Niger and Kenya, and follow-up further bileteral TA missions are being conducted to each of them (through follow-up/backstopping missions and possible local training workshops) to train a wide range of country participants on the use of MSF.</p> <p>On the other hand, RECs will also attend the dedicated RECs capacitation workshops to be held in Rabat early July 2018 and where MSF subjects will be discussed, so that they are empowered to take over for further MSF TAs to their member countries.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 60,250: Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Salary fees for one international short-term consultant <p>No revision required</p>	<p>Initial EU funds: US\$ 101,201 (EUR 75,901): Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fees for one international short-term consultant (for USD 55,000); - Consultant and RECs (ECOWAS and EAC) backstopping missions for USD 45,000 (9 missions in total). <p>2018 Revised EU funds: US\$ 140,010 (EUR 105,007)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RECs capacitation workshop, - National consultants and local expenses

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Backstopping missions. <p>Justification: Due to additional cost of RECs capacitation workshop and underestimation of cost of national consultants and local expenses</p>
A4.2.1	<p>Providing TA on data reconciliation and reviewing/compiling MSCD, and administrative data</p> <p>Following the recommendation made by countries, AfDB has developed a User Manual on MSCD compilation so that this work is undertaken by countries in a consistent and harmonized way.</p> <p>The User Manual has been reviewed and endorsed by countries, and has been used for effectively compiling MSCD time series for the period of 2000-2015.</p> <p>A workshop to discuss country MSCD was held in Tanzania, in December 2016. Data submitted by countries have been carefully checked and validated by AfDB team. Validated MSCD constitute baseline data to measure how countries are progressing in producing those data both in quantity and quality. Data for 47 countries have been onto the African Information Highway (AIH) Data Portal. In 2018, countries are required to update their MSCD with 2016-2017 data which will need to be reviewed and validated before their publication. A more user-friendly and robust online data compilation tool have been developed and countries, as well as RECs, will be trained for its use in July 2018. Furthermore, resources still need to fine-tune the Online Platform and working session for data review/check and validation before their publication. A publication on the MSCD is also expected to be produced before end of December 2018.</p> <p>Cote d'Ivoire, Mozambique and Nigeria which have indicated a need for TA on data reconciliation have started to receive related TA from AfDB.</p> <p>On another hand, Rwanda, Malawi and Zambia have indicated a need of TA on administrative data. Needed bilateral missions to discuss on the matter with concerned national counterparts will therefore be undertaken to those countries. These missions will be followed by related TA on identified key areas.</p> <p>The contract of the M&E Expert has been renewed for the remaining period of program (end of 2018) to continue overseeing M&E activities, including MSCD activities and related data reconciliation. For the junior consultant whom the one year-contract is ending, provision need to be made to extend the contract until end of December 2018.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 150,000: Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: Training workshop on the MSCD compilation tool, and validation of data (for 60 participants)</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 199,466 (EUR 149,600): Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Fees for 1 young statistician and in International Expert in Administrative Data (USD 65k); - Working Session for MSCD validation, and publication (USD 80k); - Consultant backstopping missions for USD 55k (for about 10 missions in total, for 2 missions/country) <p>No revision required</p>
A4.2.2	<p>Providing TA on compiling Food Balance Sheets (FBS)</p> <p>The new Guidelines on FBS and related FBS Compilation Tool have been produced by the GO for use by countries.</p>	

	<p>Based on above instruments, one technical meeting on setting-up Supply Utilization Accounts (SUA) and FBS systems will be organized in the 2nd semester of 2018; this workshop will be followed by bilateral TA follow-up missions to countries to ensure that the FBS Compilation Tool is installed and functioning properly, and that national FBS teams are fully trained on its use and analysis of the results.</p> <p>The following 12 countries have expressed that compiling FBS is one of their top priorities: Kenya, Cote d'Ivoire, Lesotho, Namibia, Togo, Eq. Guinea, Gambia, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Swaziland, and Tanzania. They will all participate in the above workshop, including their respective RECs. Thereafter, the following four selected countries (Cote d'Ivoire, Togo, Tanzania, and Kenya) will be bilaterally assisted, through backstopping missions, to set up functioning national SUA/FBS systems during the year 2018 (in addition to the other countries which are being assisted by the Global Office for the same). Yet, missions to above countries are scheduled to take place in June-September 2018 to elaborate Roadmaps on FBS.</p> <p>Two short-term consultants have been recruited to assist on TA provision on FBS compilation and a junior consultant to join the team is being recruited.</p>		
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<p>A4.2.3</p>	<p>Providing TA on Computer-Assisted Personal Interviewing (CAPI)</p> <p>As per the identification of TA priority needs conducted in November 2014 by AfDB, following six countries are in need of CAPI: Burkina Faso, Ghana, Malawi, Mali, Swaziland, and Tunisia. Later on, five other countries (Cameroon, Liberia, Rwanda, Senegal, and Zambia) have expressed the same need and interest. There are also twelve countries where surveys and/or censuses are ongoing or planned, hence potential candidates for using CAPI (Congo, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Niger, Togo, Angola, Botswana, Kenya, Mozambique, Namibia, Tanzania, and Uganda). This makes a total of 22 countries in need of TA on the use of CAPI.</p> <p>To respond to that need, and based on training materials produced by the Global Office of the Global Strategy, two training workshops have been organized for English and French speaking countries, respectively. An identification of the actual needs on the use</p>		

	<p>of CAPI has been also carried out. Since then, actual TA on this subject is being provided to countries in need. Yet, such bilateral TA have been already initiated in Senegal and in Burkina Faso , including follow-up missions to Senegal, and the same will be done for Liberia, Malawi, Mozambique and Tunisia. These countries have been selected based on their strong need for the use of CAPI.</p> <p>The RECs capacitation workshop of July 2018 will cover this theme and this activity line will cover part of the workshop.</p> <p>A long-term consultant on CAPI has been recruited for his contract will need to be extended for 4 months; a short-term expert on CAPI is also being recruited for 60 days.</p>
	<p>Initial EU funds: US\$ 80,000 (EUR 60,000): Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: Salary fees for 1 consultant EU funds: US\$ 180,000 (EUR 135,000): Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: - Salary fees for 2 ST consultants (USD 80k); - Backstopping missions and national workshops (USD 100k)</p> <p>Justification: Increase of countries to be covered, RECs capacitation workshop, one more expert to be recruited, and underestimation of country expensed</p>
	<p>GTF: US\$ 50,037: Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: - Consultants backstopping missions (for 10 missions in 4 countries)</p> <p>No revision required</p>
Output G 4.1&4.2 - Provision of TA to countries on the use of newly developed methods, data production, harmonisation and dissemination	
<p>G4.1.1</p>	<p>Provide TA on the use of Computer-Assisted Personal Interview (CAPI) tools for effective data collection</p> <p>For 2018, activities to be performed under this output included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The provision of in-country hands-on training on Survey Solutions in Niger and Botswana; - The provision of support to Niger and Botswana in the development of CAPI questionnaires and the organization of field work using CAPI; - The transfer of know-how to ENSEA-Abidjan during TA activities in Niger; - The preparation of reports for each country (Niger, Botswana and Kenya), which will include some cost estimates and recommendations on how to implement CAPI in a large-scale agricultural survey. <p>Progress made between January and June 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In-country hands-on training on Survey Solutions were provided in Niger and Botswana respectively in February and March; - Support were provided to the technical teams in charge of developing the CAPI questionnaire and preparing the field work in Niger and Botswana between March and May; - The training of enumerators in using CAPI for data collection took place in May in both countries and field work started at the end of May.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Two trainers from ENSEA-Abidjan participated in the technical training in Niger and one of them provided support during the development of the CAPI application, training of the field staff and the set-up of the field work. - As the data collection activities will continue until end of August, the preparation of the final reports will take place in the second semester of 2018. <p>Changes to initial workplan No changes planned in the activities</p> <p>Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 77,000: US\$ 77,000 carried forward from 2017. Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 34,383 Travel: US\$ 24,867 (6 missions involving 1 to 2 experts) Training and field test: US\$ 5,000 Transfer of know-how (ENSEA): US\$ 12,750</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: GTF: US\$ 95,000 Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 19,130 Travel: US\$ 22,352 (4 missions involving 2 to 3 experts) Training and field test: US\$ 3,122 Transfer of know-how (ENSEA): US\$ 8,800 (travel expenses were included in travel expenses) Procurement and other: US\$ 22,352</p> <p>Justification: The purchase of tablets and related equipment took longer than expected, therefore the procurement costs were carried forward from 2017 to 2018. The costs of the salary, travel and training were reviewed according to the actual expenses.</p>	<p>EU funds: N/A</p>
<p>G4.1.2</p>	<p>Providing TA on building Master Sampling Frames (MSFs) for agricultural sample surveys such as AGRIS</p> <p>Providing TA on building Master Sampling Frames (MSFs) for agricultural sample surveys such as AGRIS</p> <p>In 2018, the following activities will be undertaken by AFRISTAT and the GO according to the letter of agreement signed with AFRISTAT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Master sampling frames will be developed in the four targeted countries (Cape Verde, Côte d'Ivoire, Madagascar and Mali) and tested through field work; - Results of the field test will be analyzed and presented during restitution workshops; - Assistance will be provided in formulating an AGRIS proposal that will ultimately be integrated into countries' SPARS; - If time permits, support in the mobilization of resources for funding AGRIS at national level will also be provided. <p>Progress made between January and June 2018</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In-country trainings on the construction and use of an MSF took place in Madagascar and Côte d'Ivoire respectively in January and February; - National workshops to harmonize agricultural surveys, survey questionnaires and sampling design approaches and aiming at adopting an integrated survey framework approach such as AGRIS took place in Madagascar and Mali in April and May respectively. - In June, field work activities were initiated in Côte d'Ivoire and Mali to test harmonized questionnaires, the envisioned master sampling frame and sampling strategies. These data collection activities will be finalized in July/August. - Similar field tests in Madagascar and Cabo Verde are under preparation and are expected to start in July and August respectively. - Results of the field work will be used to formulate a comprehensive plan of agricultural surveys which were or will be included in the countries' SPARS during the second semester of 2018. - The technical assistance activities in Cabo Verde, Madagascar and Mali have been led by AFRISTAT and they participated in the TA activities in Côte d'Ivoire. <p>Changes to initial workplan</p> <p>No changes planned in the activities</p>
	<p>Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 144,501: US\$ 43,923 carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 100,578 requested as additional funds in 2018. Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 108,048 Travel: US\$ 36,453 (6 missions involving 2 to 3 experts)</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: GTF: US\$ 193,915 Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 134,370 Travel: US\$ 50,987 (9 missions involving 2 to 3 experts) Field test and training: \$US 8,558</p> <p>Justification: The complexity of the technical assistance activities on MSF were underestimated and additional missions will be required to ensure a proper implementation of the methodology at the country level. In addition, it was decided to complement the team working in AFRISTAT by a more senior statisticians which explains the increase in the salary costs. Finally, in Côte d'Ivoire, it was decided to increase the budget of the field experiment in order to have representative results for two regions instead of one, and therefore ensure that the conclusions on the implementation of an area frame in Côte d'Ivoire better take into account the diversity of the country's agricultural landscape.</p>
<p>G4.1.3</p>	<p>Provide TA on measuring Agricultural Costs of Production (AgCOP)</p> <p>In 2018, activities to be undertaken under this output were:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The organization of field work on the measurement of cost of production in Botswana; - The analysis of the data collected during the three field tests in Botswana, Seychelles and Zambia using the compilation tool developed by the Global Office and presentation of results in a validation/restitution workshop; - The production of a final report. <p>Progress made between January and June 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In Botswana, a questionnaire validation meeting was held in February to finalize the content of the field test questionnaire on agricultural costs of production. The training of the enumerators for the field test took place in May and the data collection started in June. The data collection is scheduled to end in September but a data analysis plan has already been prepared. The data analysis and restitution workshops are planned in October. - In Zambia, the final data analysis and restitution workshops took place in January. The final report has also been completed. - In Seychelles, the survey on agricultural costs of production was conducted in 2017 but the data processing took longer than planned, therefore the data analysis will take place in the second semester of 2018. <p>Changes to initial workplan No changes planned in the activities</p> <p>Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 103,000: US\$ 103,000 carried forward from 2017. Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 71,839 Travel: \$US 31,161 (5 missions involving 2 experts)</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: GTF: US\$ 97,000 Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 58,885 Travel: \$US 38,115 (5 missions involving 2 experts)</p> <p>Justification: The budget was reviewed based on more accurate estimates of the salary and travel costs using the actual expenses and high commitments.</p>
<p>G4.1.4</p>	<p>Providing TA on Post-Harvest Losses (PHL)</p> <p>In 2018, the following activities were planned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Field work on the assessment of post-harvest losses will be conducted in Malawi, Namibia and Zimbabwe; - Data collected during the field tests will be analyzed with national staff during a workshop using a set of SPSS programs developed by the GO; - Results of the field work will be presented in a validation/restitution workshop; - A final report will be produced for each country. <p>Progress made between January and June 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In Malawi, the training of enumerators for the declarative part of the post-harvest survey took place in February and the related data collection has been finalized. The training of the enumerators for the direct measurement part took place in April and the data collection will be finalized in August.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In Namibia and Zimbabwe, the training of enumerators took place in March. The data collection started in April and will be finalized in August. - In these three countries, data analysis plan have been prepared and discussed with local authorities. The three data analysis and restitutions workshops will be organized in the second semester of 2018. <p>Changes to initial workplan Activities on the direct measurement of PHL were introduced in Malawi. They will consist in the provision of a training of enumerators on direct measurement, the co-funding of field test activities and the participation of the GO in the data processing and analysis of the field test data.</p>
	<p>Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 175,000: US\$ 89,497 carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 85,503 requested as additional funds in 2018. Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 102,873 Travel: \$US 47,442 (12 missions involving 2 experts) Training and field test: US\$ 24,685 (Zimbabwe)</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: GTF: US\$ 180,777 Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 95,577 Travel: \$US 40,016 (7 missions involving 2 experts) Training and field test: \$USD 45,184 (US\$13,027 (Malawi), US\$ 5,500 (Namibia) and US\$ 26,657 (Zimbabwe))</p> <p>Justification: The budget was adjusted based on the followings: 1) The budget of the field test activities in Namibia was reviewed to reflect the changes in the currency rates between the design of the TA protocol and budget and its implementation as well as some unforeseen expenses. 2) The budget for the field test in Malawi was increased to allow the direct measurement of PHL on a sub-sample of farms covered by the initial field work. This cost of this additional activity was shared among the Global Strategy (\$USD 13,027 for the field work + \$US 6,000 in additional travel +\$USD 10,000 in salary) and the Norway project (\$USD 25,000 for field work activities and the procurement PHL measurement tools) 3) The budget for Zimbabwe was also slightly increased to reflect expenses that were carried forward from 2017 to 2018 (the procurement of some PHL measurement tools was finalized in 2018).</p>
<p>G4.1.5</p>	<p>Provide TA on Livestock, including Production and Nomadic Livestock (LIVE)</p> <p>In the 2018 approved work plan, activities to be performed under this output included:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Technical training on livestock statistics including the enumeration of nomadic and semi-nomadic livestock in Mali - Field work on the measurement of livestock products and productivity (including for nomadic and semi-nomadic livestock) will be conducted in Botswana, Mali and Niger; - Data collected during these field tests will be analyzed with national staff during a workshop and the results will be presented in a validation/restitution workshop; - A final report will be produced for each country. <p>Progress made between January and June 2018</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In Mali, a technical training on livestock statistics was provided in January and a small field experiment on the enumeration of nomadic and semi-nomadic livestock took place in March. A final report which includes some recommendations for the upcoming Census of livestock in Mali has also been prepared. - In Niger and Botswana, the questionnaires to be field tested have been validated during validation meetings which took place in January and February respectively. The training of enumerators took place in February and March respectively and the data collection activities have started. Even though the data collection will continue until September, data analysis plans have been prepared and discussed with the local authorities. The data analysis and restitution workshops for these two countries will be held in October. <p>Changes to initial workplan No changes planned in the activities</p>
	<p>Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 152,500: US\$ 71,655 carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 80,845 requested as additional funds in 2018. Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 67,685 Travel: \$US 66,123 (8 missions involving 2 experts) Training and field test: US\$ 18,692</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: GTF: US\$ 164,000 Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 71,709 Travel: \$US 46,198 (8 missions involving 2 experts) Training and field test: US\$ 45,993</p> <p>Justification: The budget was adjusted to reflect: 1) the addition of TA field work activities in Mali (\$US 6,500) 2) the carry forward of 2017 fieldwork expenses to 2018 (these expenses were supposed to be committed in 2017 through an LoA agreement with Zimbabwe that was replaced by an FBA agreement in 2018) 3) the adjustment of travel costs based on actual expenses</p>
<p>G4.1.6</p>	<p>Provide TA on compiling Food Balance Sheets (FBS)</p> <p>In 2018, the following activities were planned:</p>

- **In-country training** on the compilation of FBS will be conducted in **Mali**;
- National staff from **Benin, Guinea, Madagascar and Mali** will prepare their Supply and Utilization Accounts (SUA) table and compile their FBSs with support at distance provided by **AFRISTAT** and the GO team.
- The results of the SUA tables and the FBSs will be discussed and finalized through **validation workshops**;
- A **final report** will be produced for each country.

In addition, another country (**Cameroun**) was supposed to receive assistance on the compilation of FBSs in 2018. As for the other countries, the activities in Cameroun would consist in:

- The organization of an inception mission to launch the activities related to FBSs compilation (creation of a technical working group, analysis of potential data sources, determination of the scope of the FBS commodities) and to mainstream the TA activities to be performed;
- The provision of in-country hands-on training, which will allow Cameroun to collect all the necessary information to compile its FBSs;
- The analysis of the first results obtained during the compilation of Supply and Use Accounts and Food Balance Sheets and correction of errors;
- The validation of the FBSs and preparation of the final report.

Progress made between January and June 2018

- In **Mali**, the **technical training** took place in May and resulted in the production of **preliminary SUA table and FBS**. These results have been analysed and some recommendations have been made to improve them. The **final SUA table and FBS** should be validated in **July or August**.
- In **Guinea**, the **technical training** on the compilation of FBS took place in February. In June, a follow-up mission was conducted to analyse the **preliminary SUA table and FBS** obtained. Some recommendations have been made with regards to the data sources and imputation methods used. The **final SUA table and FBS** should be validated during the second semester of 2018.
- In **Benin**, a follow-up mission was conducted in May to analyse the **preliminary SUA table and FBS** obtained. Some recommendations have been made following this mission. The **final SUA table and FBS** should be validated during the second semester of 2018.
- In **Madagascar**, the **follow-up mission to analyse the preliminary SUA table and FBS** has been postponed from May to July since the local FBS experts are involved in the country's Census of Population. The **final SUA table and FBS** will however be produced as planned by the end of October 2018.
- **No progress** was been made in the delivery of TA activities in **Cameroun** despite numerous follow-ups with the local authorities and the country's Director General of statistics himself. Given the lack of commitment from the country, the delivery of TA activities in Cameroun will likely be cancelled.
- **AFRISTAT** took the lead in the delivery of TA activities in all countries targeted under this output.

Changes to initial workplan

Activities in Cameroun might be cancelled. If it's the case, the savings (\$USD 17,000) will be used to either allow additional missions at the country level for the validation meetings of the SUA tables and FBS figures or sponsor the participation of countries to the final conference.

Initial budget: GTF: US\$ 141,500: US\$ 27,629 carried forward from 2017 and US\$ 113,871 requested as additional funds in 2018.

EU funds: N/A

	<p>Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 77,000 Travel: \$US 56,000 (8 missions involving 2 experts) Training: US\$ 8,500</p> <p>2018 Revised budget: GTF: US\$ 115,000 Activities funded by the GTF: As above Salary: \$US 80,149 Travel: \$US 26,851 (8 missions involving 2 experts) Training: US\$ 8,500</p> <p>Justification: The budget was reviewed based on more accurate estimates of the salary and travel costs using the actual expenses and high commitments.</p>	
Output U4.1 - Reinforcing the capacity of training providers in agricultural statistics		
	<p>Strengthening the capacity of training centers through partnerships and twinning arrangements</p> <p>A total of US\$ 97,000 have been budgeted for this output. The two activities within this output for the year 2018 are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sponsoring of 10 training center teachers/lecturers to participate in Global Office and Technical Assistance trainings. US\$ 22,000. (Calculated @ US\$ 1200 for tickets and US\$ 1000 for DSA of 5 days) • Trainers exchanges between statistical training centers teachers (3-4 weeks in another training center) for 8 trainers. (Calculated at Ticket US\$ 1000 and DSA for 15 days at US\$ 197/day) = US\$ 31,000. • Trainers exchange of Universities and research institutions targeted by the Tc implementation. = US\$ 44,000 	
U4.1.1	<p>GTF: US\$ 53,000 (\$ 38,000 carried forward from 2017 and \$ 15,000 New requests for 2018)</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: As Above</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 97,000 (\$ 82,000 carried forward from 2017 and \$ 15,000 New requests for 2018)</p> <p>Justification: The resource will be used to support additional twinning arrangement requests from other national and regional statistical training centers, universities and institutions that are positioned to provide trainings in agricultural statistics. These entities have been part of the training of trainers during the implementation in 2017</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>

	and will continue to be the target of the TC in ToTs of the ensuing quarters of this year.	
	<p>Review/adaptation (to Africa context) of guidelines and training material produced at global level, and development, production and translation of curricula, syllabuses & relevant teaching materials</p> <p>For the development, adaptation, testing and dissemination of 4 short training modules and syllabi US\$ 20,000 and 1 EGM (US\$ 45,000) for the validation of the materials has been allocated for 2018. The detailed activities under this output include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Development of syllabi in collaboration with GO ▪ Adaptation of the training material developed by the GO to the African context ▪ Two Expert Group Meetings for validation of short training modules and syllabi ▪ To ensure that the syllabi are in line with the latest methodologies, the GO will be included in the validation process. <p>For carrying out above activities the following budget has been allocated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ US\$ 20,000 (at USD 5,000 adaptation cost per training material. The cost involves hiring subject matter expert to gather and adopt contextualized training material). Four training materials will be adopted. ▪ US\$ 64,000 for One Expert Group Meeting for the validation of the materials has been allocated for 2018. 	
U4.1.2	<p>GTF: US\$65,000 (Carried forward from 2017)</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: As Above</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 88,837carried forward from 2017 and No New requests for 2018)</p> <p>Justification: These resources are to be used for financing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standardization of the remaining training materials with the harmonized regional curricula for agricultural statistics – US\$ 25,000 • US\$ 63,837- for yearend expert group meeting for the validation of the sets of training materials and guidelines as per regional standard and harmonized curricula. The EGM will also devise roll out strategy for the effective use of the training materials. 	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
U4.1.3	<p>Upgrading training facilities and improving access to relevant material</p> <p>USD 40,000 is allocated under this output to provide infrastructure and training equipment support for additional two statistical training centers in the region (USD 20,000 per STC).</p> <p>Support has been already provided to 4 lead STCs (ENSEA- Abidjan, ISSAE- Yaoundé, ENSAE- Dakar and EASTC- Dar es Salaam) in the region. Four additional STCs have been identified as potential candidates for implementing agricultural statistics training development owing to their current experience in providing training in the same area. As a result, based on a comprehensive assessment of infrastructure capacities, the support will be provided to two selected STCs out of the following four.</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Makerere University , Kampala, Uganda • ENE-Maputo, Mozambique • INSEA-Tunis, Tunisia • CAPMAS, Cairo, Egypt 	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 60,000 (Carried forward US\$ 60,000)</p> <p>Justification: The budget will be used to provide technical infrastructure support for additional three STCs.</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 40,000 (EUR 30,000)</p> <p>New requested funds for 2018</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: Support to additional 2 statistical training centers as mentioned above.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
U4.1.4	<p>Harmonizing & synchronizing curricula & qualifications between training centers and countries, conducting course evaluations and establishing a process for accrediting qualifications for different courses</p> <p>No budget allocations have been made for this output for the year 2018.</p>	
	<p>GTF: US\$ 0:</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
U4.1.5	<p>Training Workshops on Newly developed methods to support the curricula profiles of Statistical training centers</p> <p>A total of USD 800,612 is allocated for the year 2018 in regard to the provision of short term training of trainers' workshops in newly developed methods in agricultural statistics. With a focus on Statistical Training Centres, the following training of trainers have been planned in the year 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Training of trainers events on newly developed methods in agricultural statistics are planned for this year. These training of trainers are based on the materials developed from the Global office on the following topics. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cost of Production - Post-harvest losses - Decent work and youth employment - Gender and agricultural statistics - Basics in agricultural statistics ○ Five regional training of trainer's workshops, one per topic, in Francophone countries are planned. The total cost breakdown for this is US\$ 352,190, consisting Costs per training of Trainers session (US\$ 70,438) will cover travel for 30 participants per training, Conference logistics and arrangements as well as documentation. ○ Five regional training of trainers' workshops, one per topic, in Anglophone countries. US\$ 352,190. Similar breakdown as above will apply. ○ The methodology is to have these trainings available at the various sub-regional and regional STCs in the region. As a result, these Training of Trainers will be delivered in two regional training centres (EASTC-Dar Es Salaam and ENSEA-Abidjan) and ECA's Institute of Economic Development Planning –IDEP located in Dakar, Senegal. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The budget breakdown also includes sponsoring the participation of 13 trainers/lecturers in the 9-month training program on agricultural statistics in order to strengthen the capacity of the STCs: US\$ 96,231. 	
	<p>GTF: US\$0</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: N/A</p> <p>No revision required</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 800, 612 (EUR 646,992): US\$ 96,231 (EUR 72,173) carried forward from 2016 and US\$ 704,381 (EUR 528,286) requested as additional funds in 2017.</p> <p>No revision required</p>
Output U4.2 - Providing scholarships for short and long term studies and funding short term training arrangements		
	<p>Providing short term, in-service training in priority area and promotion of distance and e-learning</p> <p>In support of the specialization program, a total of US\$ 103,048 has been allocated for training staff in agencies producing agricultural statistics using various short-term, in service, distance or eLearning methods. These training activities will be organized, with the participation of statistical training centers, and will focus on staff working in agencies producing agricultural statistics that cannot leave their offices in order to take a nine months training abroad, or staff from countries for which no statistical training centers is able to give the nine-month specialization program in their official language.</p> <p>List of workshops to be confirmed after the training needs assessment. Possible short term training courses include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Basics in Agricultural Statistics - Decent Work – youth employment - Gender and Agricultural statistics - Cost of Production - Post-harvest losses <p>And other additional courses to be further developed in 2018</p>	
U4.2.1	<p>GTF: US\$ 55,700: Carried forward from 2017. Activities funded by the GTF: Preparation of the eLearning materials and syllabi- Consultants for materials preparation, upgrading the eLearning platform</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 0 (Carried forward US\$ 123,742 to be shifted output U.4.2.2 to support scholarship fund for specialization in Agricultural Statistics)</p> <p>Justification: The recurrent request from member states to continue the scholarship to at least ensure additional countries benefit from the provision and upgrade their staff skills. This was also evident from the AGROST meeting.</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 53,048 (EUR 39,786): Newly requested for 2018.</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU: trainer fees and travel, logistical expenses as well as documentation</p> <p>No revision required</p>
U4.2.2	<p>Providing scholarships for long and short term studies</p> <p>Providing scholarships for long and short term studies</p>	

<p>A total of 34 scholarships have been planned for the year. Each scholarship for the specialization programme in agricultural statistics is calculated at US\$ 7,500 per student for a maximum of one year in 2018. The cost includes return ticket from the origin country and monthly stipend for the student to be calculated per country of study. This year, the scholarship support will go to countries that have not been previously serviced through this arrangement. Currently, there are four STCs administering the scholarship programme through a framework MoU signed with ECA. These are ENSEA- Abidjan, ISSAE- Yaoundé, ENSAE- Dakar and EASTC- Dar es Salaam.</p> <p>The strategy for the scholarship provision is to cover the basic statistical training for a large number of beneficiaries targeted at creating the required critical mass of experts in agricultural statistics.</p>	
<p>GTF: US\$ 255,394 (USD 244,235 carried forward from 2017 and \$ 11,159 newly requested for 2018).</p> <p>Activities funded by the GTF: 34 scholarships for the year 2018</p> <p>Revised GTF: US\$ 200,105 (US\$ 60,204 carried forward from 2017; US\$ 123,742, shifted from output U4.2.2 to support scholarship fund for specialization in Agricultural Statistics. US\$ 16,159, newly requested for 2018.)</p> <p>Justification: The recurrent request from member states to continue the scholarship to at least ensure additional countries benefit from the provision and upgrade their staff skills. This was also evident from the AGROST meeting.</p>	<p>EU funds: US\$ 0 (EUR 0)</p> <p>Activities funded by the EU funds: N/A.</p> <p>No revision required</p>

