Table 1. The 2008 SNA Implementation Plan Components

This document contains a 2008 SNA implementation table that includes the main stages and components to be taken into account in the implementation plan.

The implementation table includes the following main stages and milestones:

The main stages and milestones of the implementation plan

STAGE 1:	**Review of national or regional statistical strategic papers to include there the 2008 SNA implementation**
STAGE 2:	**Review of work needed to support implementation of the 2008 SNA**
STAGE 3:	**Development of National Accounts and changeover to the 2008**
	Milestone 1. Basic indicators of GDP
	Milestone 2. GNI and other primary indicators
	Milestone 3. Institutional sector accounts: first step
	Milestone 4. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 1
	Milestone 5. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 2
	Milestone 6. Institutional sector accounts: final step

The table aims to help countries in the development of an implementation plan. Stage 3 includes all milestones for the full implementation of the 2008 SNA. However, not all Milestones may be reflected in the implementation plan in the short or medium term, depending on the current development of the national accounts.

The table was presented to the participants during the workshop on Implementation of the 2008 SNA in Kiev (29 Nov-2 Dec, 2011). As a result of discussion the participants have agreed to complete the tables based on information on implementation plans of the 2008 SNA in their countries (after necessary discussions within the statistical office as well as with other producers of economic statistics in the country) and to sent the tables to UNECE by mid-February 2012.

UNECE will use the completed tables from countries for planning of further activities to support the implementation of the 2008 SNA.

Table 1. The 2008 SNA Implementation Plan Components - Country __Azerbaijan__

		Status[1]	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
1	**STAGE 1** - Review of national or regional statistical strategic papers to include there the 2008 SNA implementation				
a	Identification of main outstanding issues with SNA 1993.	completed		No need	
b	Understanding the main changes in 2008 SNA compared to SNA 1993 and their importance for the country.	completed		No need	
c	Identification of the main institutions involved in collecting and producing relevant data for the SNA and establishment of institutional agreements for 2008 SNA implementation	on-going	Agreement is signed with the Central Bank, It is planned to have also an agreement with Ministry of Finance	No need	2012
d	Prioritization for 2008 SNA, based on user needs and resources.	on-going	It is planned to have discussions with main users and providers of administrative data	No need	2012
e	Inclusion of the implementation of the 2008 SNA in the overall strategic plan of the statistical office	on-going	Activities on 2008 SNA implementation are included into the draft for strategic development – «State Program on improvement of statistical system in Azerbaijan Republic for 2013-2017»	No need	2012
f	Adoption of detailed implementation plan for 2008 SNA in short, medium and/or long-term period.	completed	Activities on 2008 SNA implementation are included into «Work plan on improvement of national accounts indicators for 2012-2014»	There is a need for technical assistance and/or methodological guidelines to facilitate implementation of activities, included into plan of implementation of 2008 SNA	
2	**STAGE 2** - Review of work needed to support implementation of the 2008 SNA				
a	a. Adoption of new classifications and other improvements in business registers and business statistics	Implementation of new classifications is finished; Improvement of business register	There is a need to improve business register data for better identification and sectorisation of institutional units according to 2008 SNA.	Yes, Technical assistance and training	2013

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[1] Not available yet, discussed, planned, on-going, finished, etc.

		Status[1]	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
		data is in a process			
b	b. Changes in business statistics surveys and questionnaires to collect the necessary source data	on-going	The changes in surveys and questionnaires of business statistics, which have been started in 2010, are being complicated as not all businesses made changeover to new standards in accounting.	Yes	2012-2014
c	c. Adaptation of administrative data sources to new requirements	In process of planning	Defining and discussing problems and requirements with the main administrative data providers	Yes	2012-2014
d	d. IT and other changes	on-going	Improvement of basic statistics data with implementation of modern methods in statistical surveys, data collection, processing and new IT technologies. SPSS and SAS software were bought and used in data analysis.	Yes	2014
e	e. Training for the staff	on-going	Monthly training with staff is taking place using own resources	Yes	2012-2014
3	**STAGE 3** - Development of National Accounts and changeover to the 2008 SNA				
a	**Milestone 1. Basic indicators of GDP**				
	Data categories				
	Outstanding issues from SNA 1993				
	i. Improvement of estimates for consumption of fixed capital;	on-going	Needed indicators were implemented into statistical report forms. Problems: Not enough long time series data for fixed capital formation by types and construction price indices for goods for investment	Yes, Technical assistance and training	2013
	ii. Double deflation in GDP at constant prices.	on-going	Work in progress to compile annual tables for resources	Yes, Technical assistance and training	2013

		Status[1]	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
			and use at constant prices		
	iii.				
	iv.				
	v.				
	New issues arising from the 2008 SNA[2]				
	vi. improvement in estimates for consumption of fixed capital	on-going	Needed indicators were implemented into statistical report forms.	Yes	2014
	vii. FISIM improvement	completed		No	
	viii. Measurement of market and non-market output of Central Bank	on-going	There is no corresponding recording in CB	Yes	2014
	ix. output of informal sector and illegal activities	on-going	Experimental calculations for estimates of illegal activities are in process	Yes	2014
	x. R&D expenditure	on-going	Needed indicators were implemented into statistical report forms.	Yes	2013
	xi. military expenditure	on-going	Experimental calculations are in process	No	2014
b	**Milestone 2. GNI and other primary indicators**				
	Data categories				
	For rest of the world – external accounts of primary income and current transfers, capital and financial accounts (BPM 6)	completed with BPM 5	Central Bank works on changeover to BPM 6	Yes	2014
	...				
c	**Milestone 3. Institutional sector accounts: first step**				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Production account	completed			
	For general government – Generation of income, Allocation of primary income, Secondary distribution of	completed (experimental financial account)	Incomplete data for government sector financial assets flows	Yes	2013

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[2] See details on new 2008 SNA elements affecting GDP in Table 3 of Annex to Report of the Intersecretariat Working Group on National Accounts (http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/doc11/2011-6-NationalAccounts-E.pdf). The priorities may be decided by each country depending on issues like resources, data sources and level of influence on GDP.

		Status[1]	Activities and problems	Need for TA, training, guidelines	Planned timeframe
	income, Use of disposable income, Capital and Financial accounts				
	...				
d	**Milestone 4. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 1**				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Generation of income, Allocation of primary income, Secondary distribution of income, Use of disposable income, Capital accounts	completed		No	
	...				
e	**Milestone 5. Institutional sector accounts: intermediate step 2**				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Financial account	on-going	Experimental calculations. <u>Problems:</u> Incomplete data for government sector financial assets flows	Yes	2013
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f	**Milestone 6. Institutional sector accounts: final step**				
	Data categories				
	For all institutional sectors – Other changes in assets account, Balance sheets	on-going	Needed indicators were implemented into statistical report forms. <u>Problems:</u> Incomplete data for government sector financial assets and liabilities` flows; revaluation of fixed capital	Yes, Technical assistance and training	2013
	...				