

#### WAY FORWARD

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### Outline

- Identify the areas of interest
- Build a coalition with partners
- Respond to the call of the global office
- Spearhead testing and implementation

# Identifying Areas of Interest

- After a good understanding of the progress of the SNA update programme and the structure of the new SNA
- In this Webinar, six GNs under five the priority areas and thematic topics have been introduced: (a) communication, (b) financial and payments systems, (c) globalization, (d) well-being and sustainability, and (e) Islamic finance.
- In total, there are 66 GNs.
- SNA update website:
  <a href="https://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/Towards202">https://unstats.un.org/unsd/nationalaccount/Towards202</a>
  <a href="mailto:5.asp">5.asp</a>

# **Building Coalition with Partners**

- We have the partners here: INSEE France, ONS UK, IMF, Afristat, AfDB, AUC, UNSD, ECA ++ with resources and enthusiasm to support.
- We have even broad partners: AEG/ISWGNA/TTs: (Eurostat, IMF, OECD, UNSD, WB ++)

### Responding to Global Office Call

- Check the "kick-off letter" (mail) that UNSD sent in December 2021 to the heads of the statistics offices.
- Reply to the "standard request letter" to UNSD with the following information:
  - Specific topic(s) and related Guidance Note(s) subject to experimentation
  - Human recourses that will be devoted to the project (staff and time)
  - ❖ Type and source of the <u>data</u> to be used in or developed for the estimates

#### Spearheading Testing and Implementation

The advantage and benefits for Member States to participate in testing and early implementation are significant:

- To be supported financially and technically by a group of partners who have expertise in the related areas.
- Become a pioneer: the results and outcomes will provide feedback to the GNs and ultimately to the SNA update.
- Working together with countries across the world to build synergies, share experiences, and overcome challenges and difficulties.

## THANKS / MERCI