UNOSSC Knowledge Management Initiatives

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UNOSSC Strategic Framework 2022-2025

Outlines a multi-faceted strategy that includes 5 service lines designed for advancing South-South and triangular cooperation towards the SDGs:

- Facilitation of and reporting on intergovernmental processes;
- Capacity development;
- Knowledge co-creation and management;
- South-South and Triangular Cooperation Solution Lab; and
- Trust-fund management.

The Knowledge Management team is leading on 2 of those service lines.
New Knowledge Management Team

- Chief – Knowledge Management; Research Specialist; Knowledge Management Platform Coordinator; and Data and Research Specialist. [Consultant: Content Management]

- Developing a series of integrated, complementary and new services to facilitate knowledge exchange, capacity development and technology development and transfer. First Corporate Knowledge Management Strategy is being developed.

- Existed services/initiatives will continue to be maintained, with fine tuning: South-South Galaxy; South-South Global Thinkers Initiative (new phase); South-South in Action; Good Practices in South-South and Triangular Cooperation; Thematic Publications; and the South-South Galaxy Featured Partner (formerly, Partner of the Month)
South-South Galaxy Platform

• Will continue to serve as our main knowledge sharing and partnership brokering platform.

• Currently undergoing a major overhaul aimed at improving functionalities & user experience, introducing new services and opportunities for collaboration - main hub for our integrated package of KM services.

• South-South Galaxy 2.0 will feature
  • Connect organizational pages with their respective solutions
  • Improved AI integration
  • Thematic pages
  • Trends, Regional/Sub-regional analysis; country snapshots
  • Communities of Practice – both UNOSSC and UNOSSC hosted
### UNOSSC Integrated Package of Knowledge Management Services

#### 1) South-South Global Thinkers Initiatives

- **1st phase with UNDP started in 2017 and ended in 12/2023.** Coalition of over 250 think tanks focus on promoting research on SSTC.
- New project document is currently being finalized, reflecting several new developments since 2017. Linked to UNOSSC SF, System-wide Strategy Outcomes. Focused on strengthening evidence-based policy making through rigorous research and analysis.
- Broadened partnership. Four windows of engagement: MS, Dev. Corp. agencies, UN system entities, and other stakeholders. Huge opportunities for UN entities to leverage this resource.
- The CoP will now be housed on South-South Galaxy.

#### 2) South-South & Triangular Cooperation Solutions Lab

- One of the main service lines in UNOSSC’s Strategic Framework.
- Identify & incubate innovative solutions to complex development challenges.
- Core objectives are to facilitate innovation and knowledge sharing, focusing on sustainable development solutions that are effective, scalable, and context-specific. (Linked to harnessing data, Global Thinkers, Galaxy etc.)
- Collaborative environment to harness the collective capacities of all partners. Extensive opportunities for partnerships with UN entities.

#### 3) Harnessing Data

- Upcoming projects with Microsoft, Digital Cooperation Organization, the European Space Agency, etc.
- South-South and Triangular Cooperation Country and Regional Snapshots (links to Galaxy)

#### Key Knowledge Products

- Global Report on South-South & Triangular Cooperation
- Good Practices in SSTC for Sustainable Development (Vol 5)
- South-South in Action – IAEA

#### GSSD Expo

- Ongoing negotiation with possible hosts.
- Location, date and engagement plans to be shared. Format will be streamlined. Focused on follow-ups, impacts.
- Virtual Exhibition to be hosted on South-South Galaxy
Thank you!

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