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Request/Mandate on the Strategy

- EC Decision 2017/63
- BAPA+40 Mandate (¶ 27 f); 20th HLC session

Why a system-wide strategy on SSTC: The scale, scope, volume and number of stakeholders of SSTC continue to witness exponential growth at all levels.

- **SG report to BAPA+40** “Today, SSC is contributing to the transformation of the norms and principles of international cooperation”

- **BAPA+40 outcome**: Stressing the need to reinvigorate the United Nations development system in supporting and promoting SSTC, aiming at implementing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development
Objectives of the Strategy

- **Interagency Mechanism on/for SSTC**, participatory and inclusive process to be owned by all UN entities, including RECs.

- Provide a **system-wide policy orientation** to United Nations entities to galvanize a **coordinated and coherent approach** to policy, programmatic, operatinal and partnership support on SSTC and **increase impact across United Nations activities** at all levels: national, regional and global.

- **Implementation** is governed by each entity individually, based on its mandate and programme of work.

- **Supporting the national priorities of countries** of the South under national ownership and leadership and to drive forward **the 2030 Agenda and the Decade of Action to deliver on the SDGs**.
Different levels of engagement (National, Regional and Global)

- The UNS support for SSTC will be **guided by the key normative and operational guidance** embodied in the QCPR, the Nairobi and BAPA+40 outcome documents and other United Nations policy documents adopted by Member States.

- The underlying objective of United Nations operational activities in support of SSTC at the country and regional levels is to **support the implementation** of national development goals and the SDGs, as well as agreed regional and subregional development agendas.

- **Alignment** with national plans and priorities and support to regional efforts and agreements.
- Alignment with the United Nations Sustainable Development Cooperation Framework (UNSDCF);
- Alignment with international, regional and national normative frameworks.
Regional Dimension
Privileged level for SSC

- RECs engaged in the preparation of Strategy/RCNY Office.
- Whole section dedicated to the regional level.
- **Assets:** Most SSTC initiatives are developed and implemented within regions: *commonality* of history, language, culture, ethnicity, geographical proximity and economic complementarities. **Regional institutions** are important venues for **policy dialogue**, agenda-setting, **policy coordination**, and the **design and implementation of regional programmes** and initiatives.
- RECs Mandate focused on regional development issues, they will play a key role in advancing SSTC at the regional level, in partnership with other UN development system partners.
- **Mechanisms of regional coordination and collaboration** provide the mechanism for **adapting the strategy and its subsequent Action Plan, as appropriate, to the regional specificity and context** for achieving strengthened policy coherence and collaboration of United Nations entities in support of SSTC.
- ECLAC is a good example to be followed Committee on SSC.
- Interagency Mechanism same participatory and inclusive process to be owned by all UN entities

- ECLAC leading AP outcome on regional dimension.

- The action plan will include a set of system-wide deliverables, activities, indicators toward ensuring a broad implementation of the specific outcome area moving forward.

- The action plan is meant to provide broad guidance to agencies when they engage in SSTC or when they prepare their agency-specific strategy or plan.

- Mechanisms of regional coordination and collaboration will coordinate and follow up on the implementation of the strategy in collaboration with South-South and triangular cooperation focal points in the wider United Nations system at the regional level.
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