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Agenda 2030 monitoring – contributions from UNECA on the
sources of data for the indicators

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1. Background

Africa is implementing both **2030 Agenda** and **Agenda 2063**

2030 Agenda that is **A global framework for “achieving sustainable development in its three dimensions** -economic, social and **environmental-in a balanced manner;**and

Agenda 2063 : A strategic framework for inclusive growth and sustainable development in Africa, and a global strategy to optimize the use of the continent’s resources for the benefit of all Africans. It has a **Ten Year Implementation Plan of Agenda 2063 (2014 -2023)**

Both 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063: reflect the Common African Position on the Post-2015 Agenda (CAP) as they have been informed by Africa’s development priorities and aspirations contained the CAP.

These are grouped into six pillars: (i) structural economic transformation, and inclusive growth; (ii) science, technology and innovation; (iii) people-centred development; (iv) environmental sustainability natural resources management, and disaster risk management; (v) peace and security;

1. Background

2030 Agenda September 2015:

- 17 goals with 169 targets and 230 Indicators
- **The Global list of indicators will be complemented by indicators at the continental and national levels** (which will be developed by Member States)

Monitoring

- *At national level:* Members States are encourage to conduct regular and inclusive reviews of progress at the national and subnational levels which are country-led and country driven.
- *At continental level:* Inclusive regional processes **will draw on national-level reviews** and contribute to follow-up and review at the global level, including at the high level political forum on sustainable development.
- *At Global level:* Follow-up and review at the high-level political forum will be informed by an annual progress report on the Sustainable Development Goals to be prepared by the Secretary-General in cooperation with the United Nations system, based on the global indicator framework and data produced by national statistical systems and information collected at the regional level.

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AGENDA 2063:

During the fifth anniversary of the AU **in 2013**, the heads of state of African countries adopted Agenda 2063

They pointed out the **following 7 aspiration on** AFRICA they WANT in 2063

- 1. A prosperous Africa based on inclusive growth and sustainable development
- 2. An integrated continent, politically united and based on the ideals of Pan Africanism and the vision of Africa's Renaissance
- 3. An Africa of good governance, democracy, respect for human rights, justice and the rule of law
- 4. A peaceful and secure Africa
- 5. An Africa with a strong cultural identity, common heritage, values and ethics
- 6. An Africa where development is people-driven, unleashing the potential of its women and youth
- 7. Africa as a strong, united and influential global player and partner.

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CONTEXT:

- Following the recommendation of the *21st Ordinary Session of the Assembly of Heads of State and Government* held in May 2013, **ECA, NEPAD, AfDB, UNDP, UNFPA and other relevant organizations** working in the social domain **set up a technical working group composed of countries from each sub-region to translate *the African priorities for the post 2015 development agenda into goals, targets and specific indicators* for inclusion in the SDGs process and the Post-2015 Global Agenda. The member countries were requested to start working on development indicators based on the draft African Common Position.**
- In this regard, **the ECA, AUC and AfDB organized a meeting of the technical working group** in Kigali, Rwanda from 11-14, November 2013 with **the objective of developing a list of indicators on the post 2015 development agenda** based on the matrix of priority areas identified through various consultations thus far.
- The 9th Joint Annual AUC and ECA Conference of Ministers of Finance, Planning and Economic Development:
- **reaffirmed the importance of aligning Africa's Agenda 2063 and the SDGs, including in national development plans.**
- **requested the AUC, ECA and the AfDB to develop an integrated monitoring and evaluation framework on the implementation of Agenda 2063 and the SDGs.**
- The Meeting recommends **a harmonized set of goals, indicators and targets for measuring implementation of the two agendas and ensuring harmonization between them.**
- Ministers also encouraged the AUC and ECA to develop a common follow-up and review platform, such as the African Regional Forum for Sustainable Development.



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Integrated Regional Indicator Framework Development for Agenda 2030 and Agenda 2063

- At Africa level, there has been an ongoing activity to develop an integrated monitoring and reporting framework for both agendas for quite some time now.
- Activities to develop the indicator frameworks have been **undertaken separately but in partnership for Agenda 2063 and Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development.**
- Pan-African institutions (AUC, ECA, AfDB) have **worked with member States on the development of Indicators to measure** progress under the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the African Union's Agenda 2063. Meetings held in South Africa in April 2015 and Algeria in May **2015 to come up with a common set of indicators.** The indicators were **categorized as global, regional and national indicators** and were **submitted to the IAEG-SDGs at its second meeting held in Bangkok** in October 2015 . (Verde, Senegal, Algeria, Cameroon, Tanzania, Uganda, Botswana)
- September 2015 – Workshop of IAEG-SDG member countries and ASSD, AUC and ECA developed indicators for Agenda 2063 ten-year implementation plan
- September 2015 – AUC, ECA and ASSD met and matched targets from Agenda 2063 plan to SDG targets (two-thirds of SDG targets overlap with targets from Agenda 2063 implementation plan)

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A - Agenda 2063:

- **In the development of the indicator framework for Agenda 2063's First Ten-Year Implementation Plan (FTYIP), seven workshops were organized by the AUC in collaboration with its partners. The last workshop was organized from 5 to 8 March 2017 in Nairobi, Kenya. The main objective of this workshop was to finalize the monitoring and evaluation framework and the handbook of core Agenda 2063 FTYIP indicators.**
 - **The workshop endorsed 63 core indicators that will be used to monitor and report on the progress of implementation of Agenda 2063. In addition to the core indicators, 61 complementary indicators have been added from the global list of SDG indicators. The AUC therefore has come up with 124 indicators that could be used in monitoring and reporting of Agenda 2063.**
 - **Further to the development of two separate indicator sets for the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063, the three pan-African institutions have agreed to initiate a matrix for matching the targets and indicators under the two agendas.**
- In summary, the indicators are classified as follows:

• Total number of indicators	124
• Core indicators	63
• Complementary indicators	61
• Indicators that fully mapped with SDGs	102
• Indicators with no overlap with SDGs	10
• Indicators which are Africa specific	12

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• B. 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

- At ECA level, the African Centre for Statistics (ACS) **has been leading the process of developing the regional indicator framework** for 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. During the second half of 2016, **ACS has proposed an initial list of 84** regional indicators and invited substantive divisions to supplement the list based on their data requirements.
- Accordingly, the ECA **substantive divisions have provided their inputs** during the consultation process. In November 2016, the **ACS has finalized the compilation process and came up with 199 regional indicators** that could be used to monitor and report on Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development.

The tier levels of the proposed regional Agenda 2030 indicators are:

- **Tier I: 71** (Indicators for which an established methodology exists and data are already widely available);
- **Tier II: 51** (Indicators for which a methodology has been established but for which data are not easily available);
- **Tier III: 72** (Indicators for which an internationally agreed methodology has not yet been developed).
- **Multiple tiers: 5**

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- **C. Integrated regional indicator framework for both Agendas**
- **The integrated regional indicator framework has to include a limited number of indicators that will be used to monitor and report on both Agenda 2030 and Agenda 2063.**
- As pointed out earlier, the AUC has come up with the final list **of 124 indicators** to monitor progress on Agenda 2063 implementation.
- At the **Task Force meeting of the Africa Regional Forum for Sustainable Development (ARFSD)** which was held on 8 June 2017, it was agreed **to use the 124 indicators selected by AUC** as the basis for the integrated indicator framework and add a few more indicators if there is a need.
- Accordingly, **ECA added 14 more indicators** to the ones selected by AUC. This therefore brings the total number of regional indicators that will be used for **regional monitoring and reporting to 138.**

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- **D. Other coordination between ECA and other African institutions in the M&I of the two agenda**

The establishment of the (RFSD) and its institutionalization, in 2015, by the Joint Conference of Ministers of the ECA and AUC: The RFSD is an intergovernmental mechanism convened by ECA, in collaboration with the AUC, the AfDB and other partners, on an annual basis to:

- **follow up and review** the Addis Ababa Action Agenda, Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable;
- **to review progress towards SDGs** in the continent and exchange experience in their implementation.
- It involves all stakeholder, including member States, United Nations agencies, RECs and pan-African institutions (AUC and AfDB).
- It provides the African inputs to annual sessions the High Level Political forum
- It is strategically placed to link the national and global discourse and serve as multi-stakeholder platforms to promote the implementation of the above mentioned agendas
- **The Regional Coordination Mechanisms** is another collaboration platform supporting development agenda monitoring in Africa. As it **allows to enhance cooperation and coordination of the united nations activities** at the regional level on issues pertinent to the development agenda of the continent. Africa. In the African context, **these agendas constitute the agenda 2063 and 2030 agenda** . The United Nations General Assembly has mandated ECA to coordinate the United Nations support to NEPAD at the regional level.

Follow up and review

Global

High Level Political forum (HLPF)

Under the auspice of the UN General Assembly

(Convened Every four years for two (2) days at the Head of State or Head of Government and

Annually under the auspice of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC): for a period of Eight (8) days , including a a three-day ministerial segment held during the High-level segment of ECOSOC

Review of Global progress

Thematic Review

Country voluntary Nationalk reviews

SG global SDGs Progress Report

Global SD Report (4Y)

Inter Agency Task Force Report on

Regional

Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

Focus on the selected SDGs for the HLPF and the corresponding Goals of the 10 years implementation plan of Agenda 2063

Specific Objectives:

Carry out Regional follow up and review

Deliberate on progress and address challenges and opportunities

Provide platform for Regional peer review: Sharing experiences, good practices and lesson learned in the implementation of 2030 Agenda and Agenda2063 , Focus on regional public goods

Africa SDGs -Agenda 2063 Report

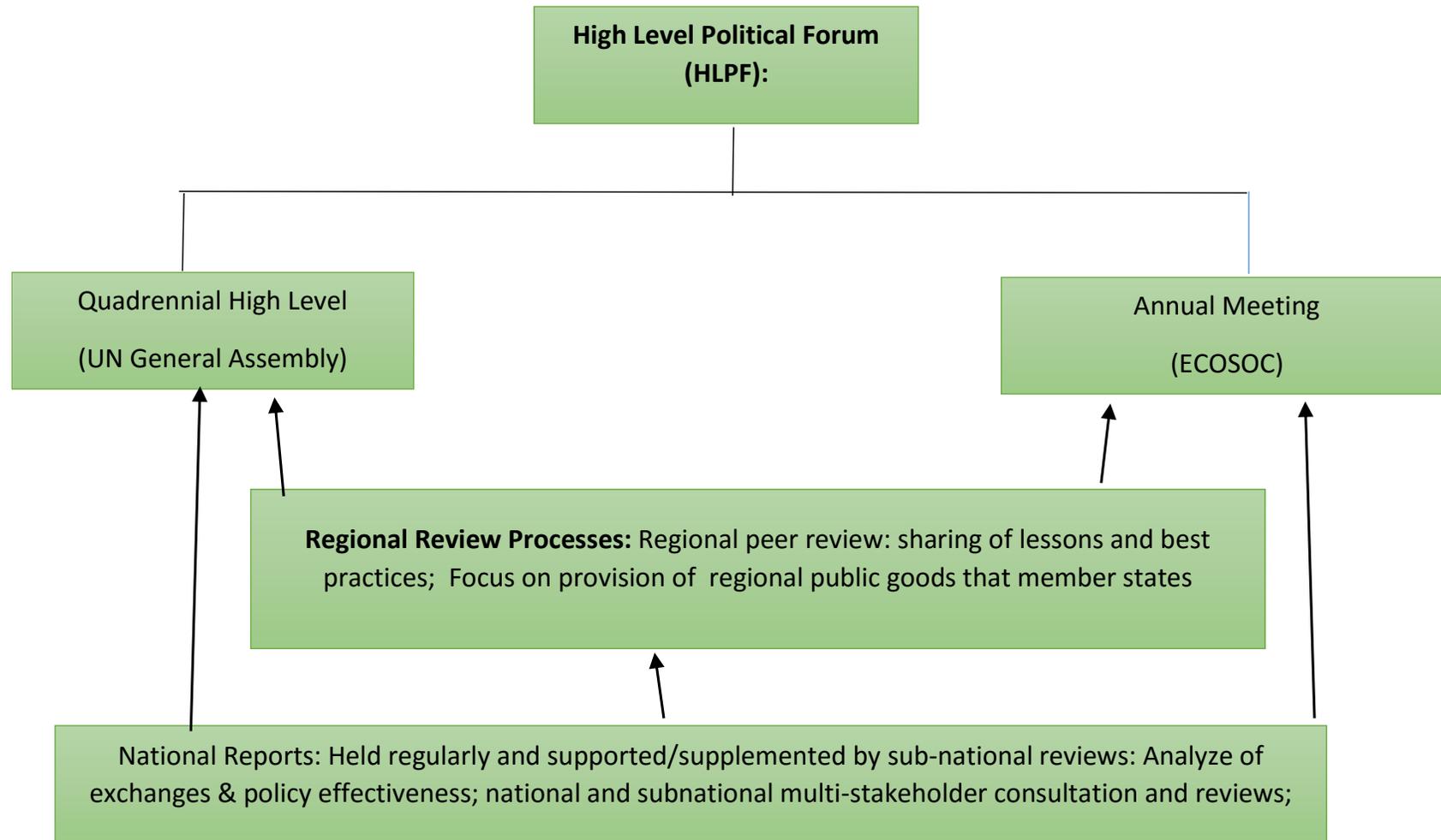
National

National Follow-up and Review

National SDGs Reports (participatory and supported by the UN system)

Country-led reviews at national level are the foundation for voluntary reviews at the regional and global levels

Follow up and review at Global Level., Regional and national level



3. ECA Support to the implementation and structuring the monitoring at national level

Capacity building

- **Development of manuals and guidelines:**

1 - UNSD in collaboration with the five UN Regional Commissions are developing guidelines on :

- The use of internet and electronic devices by countries in conducting a population and housing census. A meeting was organized to review them.
- The use of CRVS registration data on measurement of completeness and quality assessment

2 - UN-Habitat in collaboration with the five UN Regional Commissions are developing guidelines on the collection, analysis and reporting on human settlement indicators, including the use of spatial data, based on the tools and guidelines produced

2 - ECA is developing a handbook on how to align national development plan to SDGs

- **Training and technical assistance:**

- Regional training workshop on the guidelines and gender issues
- National training on gender (users producers collaboration)
- Advisory services on census, CRVS, Gender, national account, mean of implementation etc,...

4. Data Issues

Data gaps are key issues in SDGs & Agenda 2063 monitoring

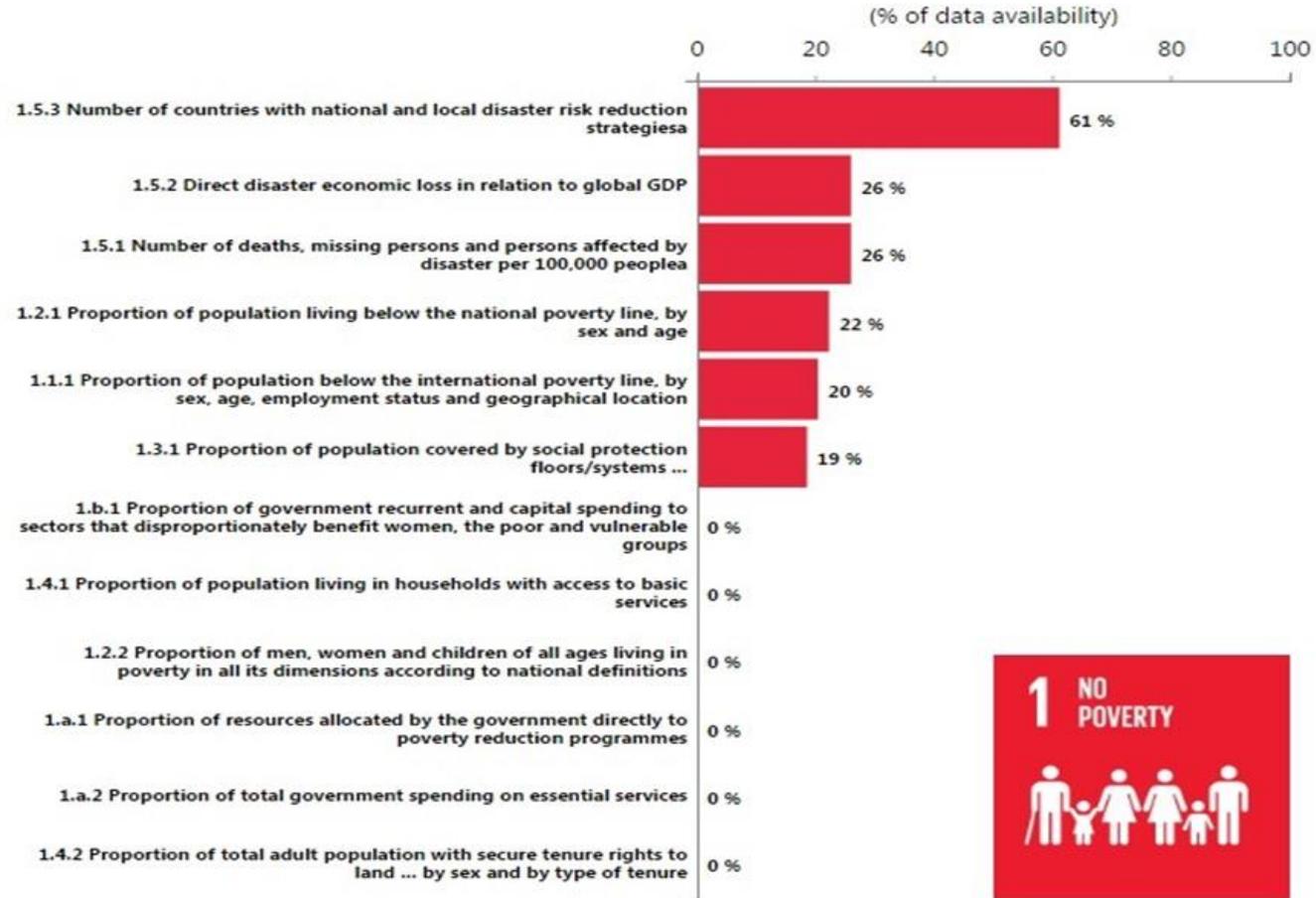
- In Africa only **37.8% of the SDG indicators have** data to measure progress.
- **Coverage of each goal/target is uneven:** Goals 3, 7 & 9 have >60% coverage; but Goals 11 & 13 have < 10%.

Key challenges to statistical development in Africa:

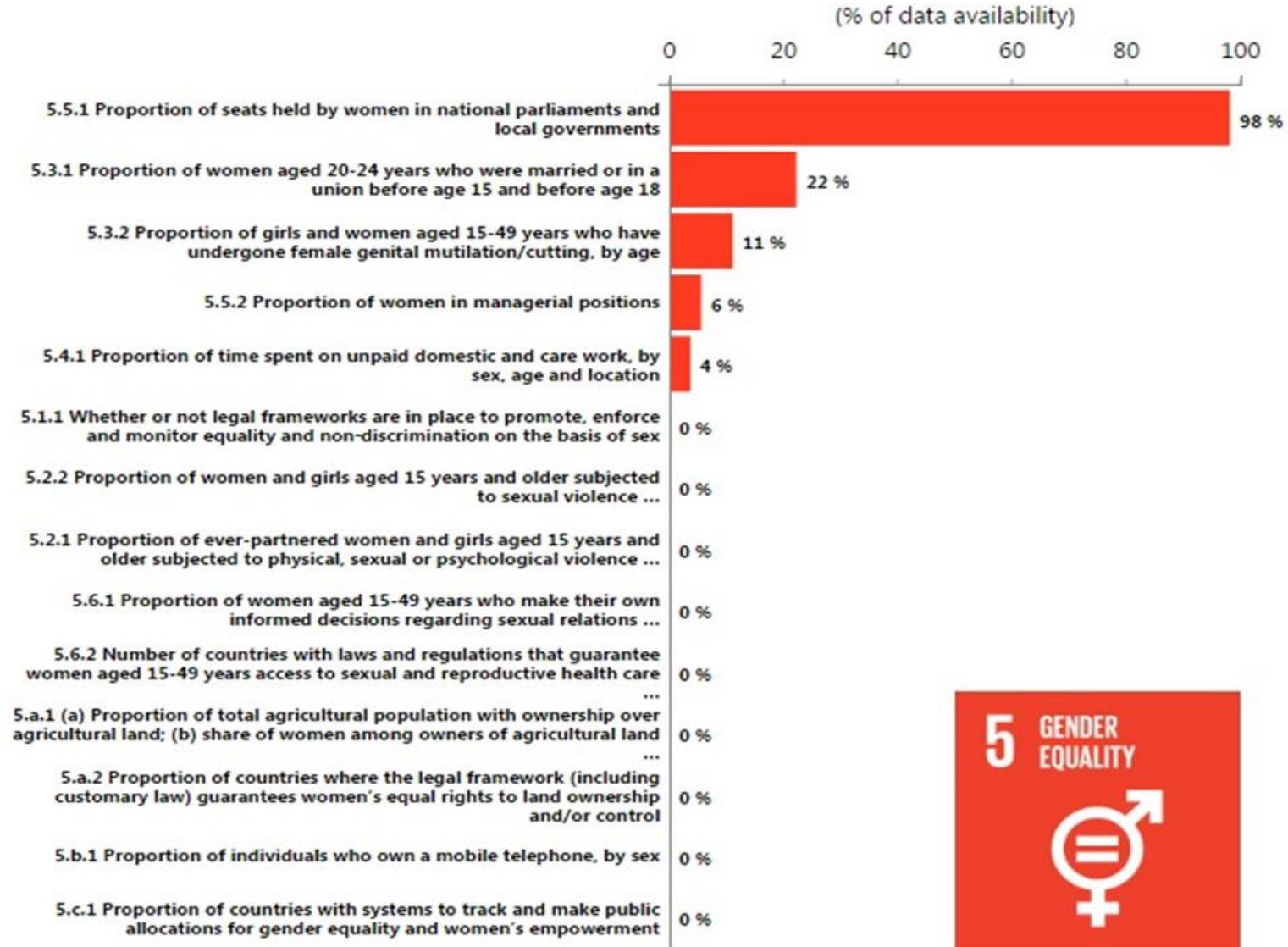
- Inadequate prioritization & funding for statistics □
- Weak national statistical systems
- Limited autonomy and capacity of national statistics offices;
- Limited availability, timeliness and quality of data: 20% of African countries lack recent census data [some censuses dating to 1970s or 1980s]
- Limited data accessibility and use.

SDGs	# of indicators	% of indicators with data
Goal 1	12	25.0
Goal 2	14	57.1
Goal 3	26	69.2
Goal 4	11	54.5
Goal 5	14	21.4
Goal 6	11	18.2
Goal 7	6	66.7
Goal 8	17	58.8
Goal 9	12	66.7
Goal 10	11	45.5
Goal 11	15	6.7
Goal 12	14	14.3
Goal 13	9	0.0
Goal 14	7	14.3
Goal 15	14	42.9
Goal 16	23	26.1
Goal 17	25	32.0
Total	241	37.8

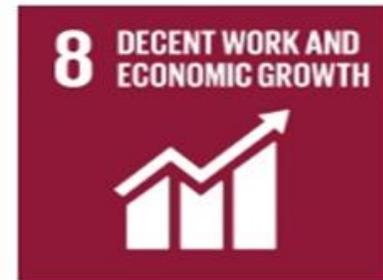
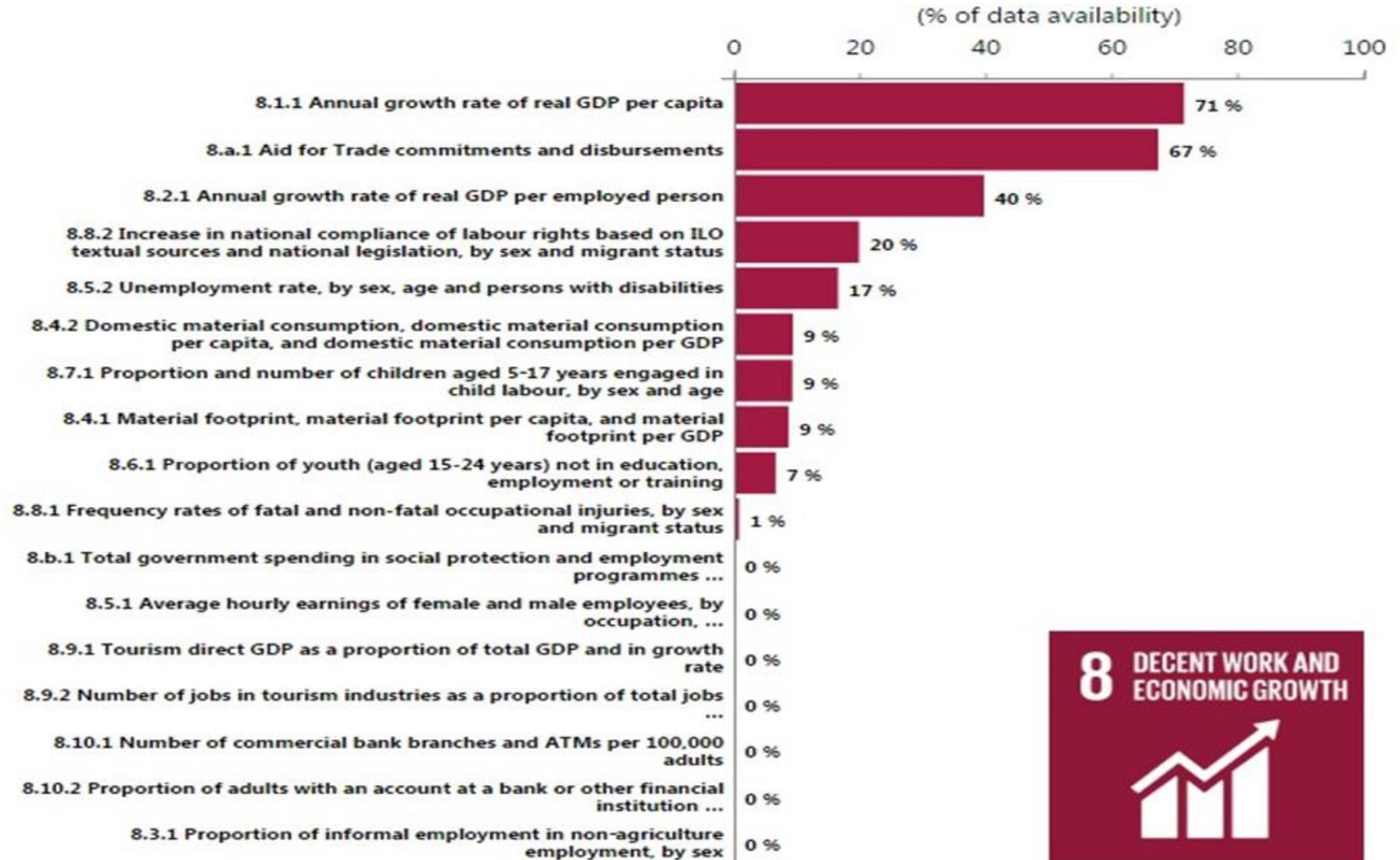
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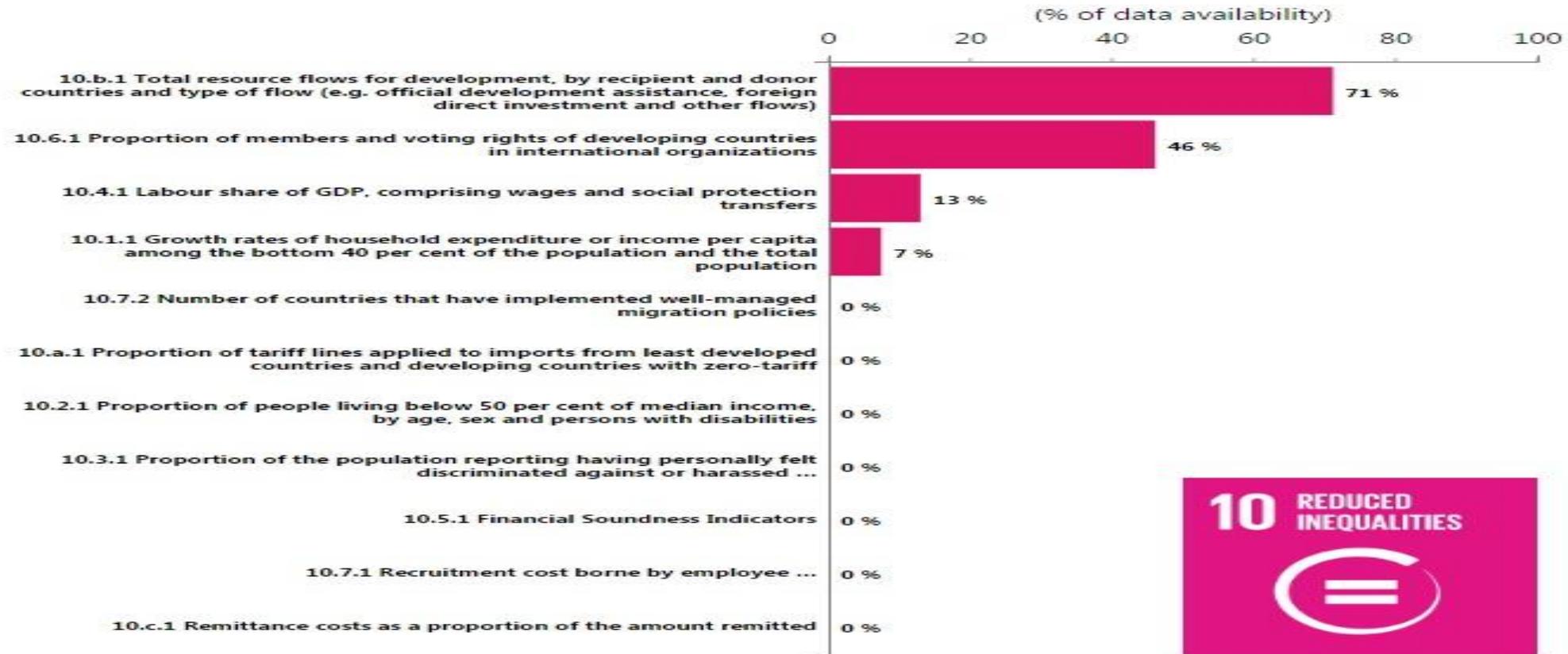
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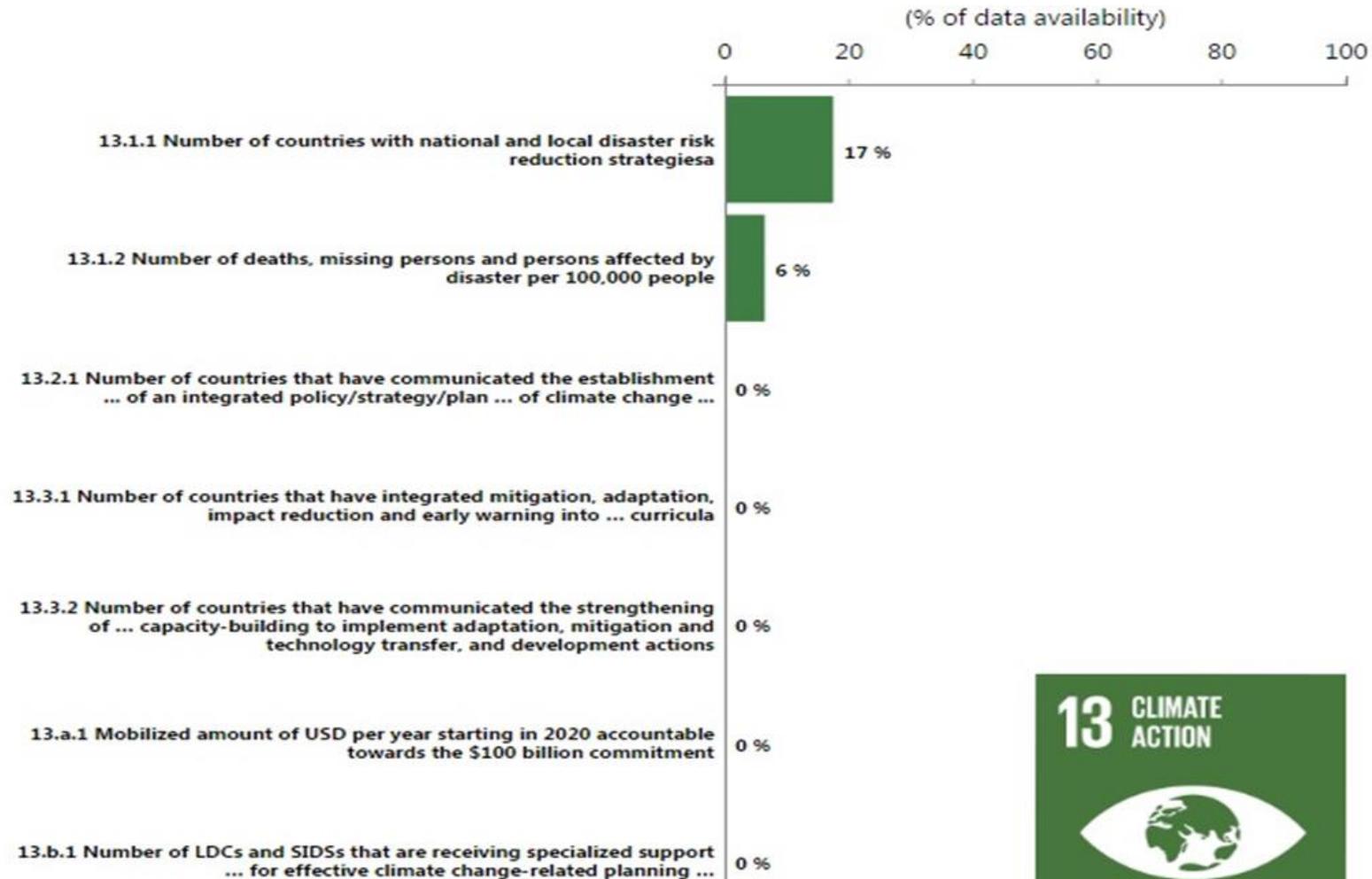
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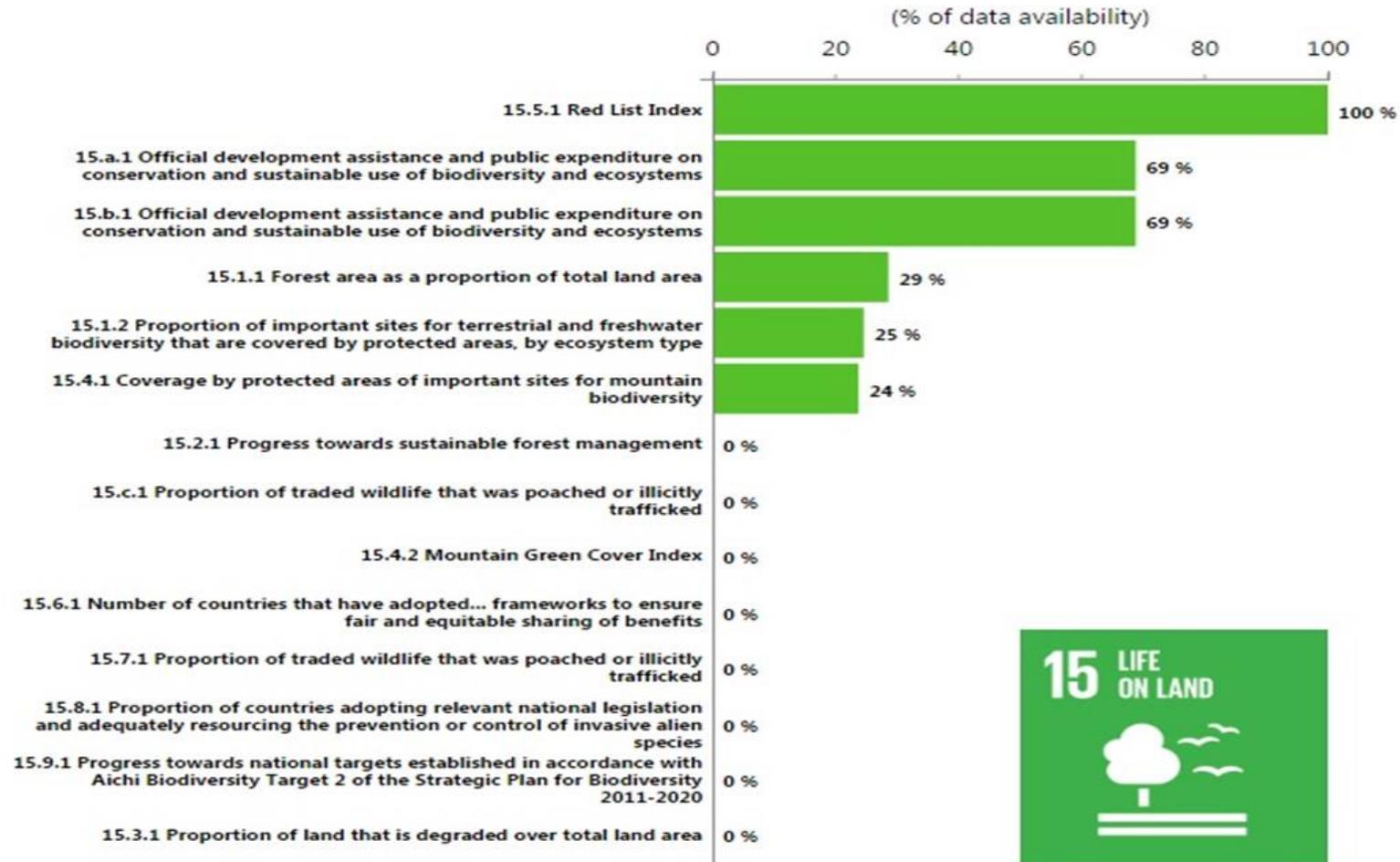
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