

The UN Development System in-country: What the data and evidence shows

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What is the UNDG and how does it work?

The UNDG unites the UN funds, programmes, specialized agencies, departments and offices that play a role in development (31 members & 16 observers). Members must:

1. Be members of the UN System Chief Executives Board for Coordination
2. Receive “contributions for operational activities for development”
3. Have field operations through engagement in UNDAFs and UNCTs
4. Contribute to the UNDG cost-sharing in support of the RC system (covers the global, regional, and country level)

**United Nations Development Group as one of three pillars of CEB,
with 8 UNDG Working Groups at global level**

6 Regional UNDG Teams

East and Southern Africa

West and Central Africa

Europe and Central Asia

Asia and the Pacific

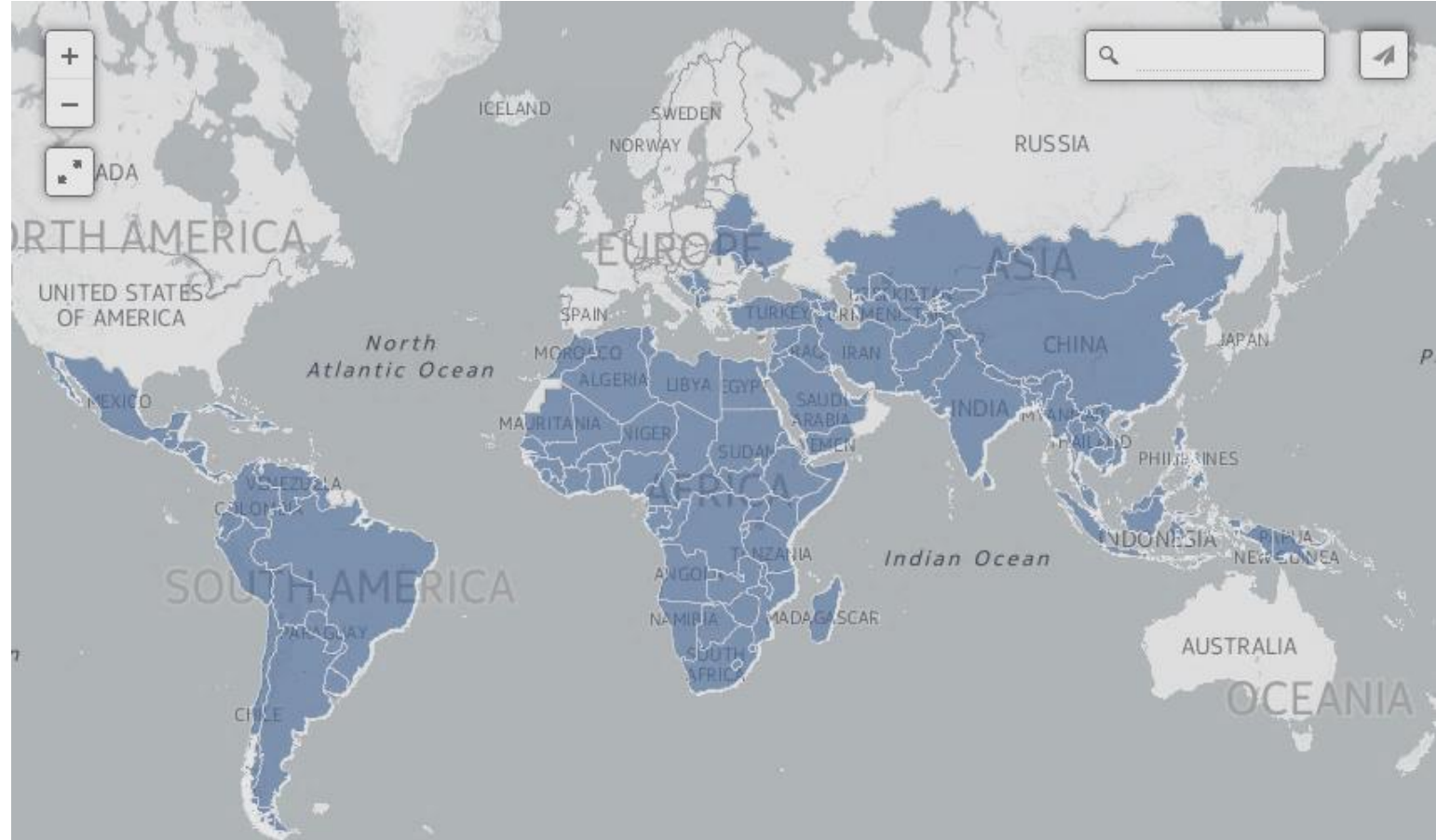
Arab States

Latin America and the Caribbean



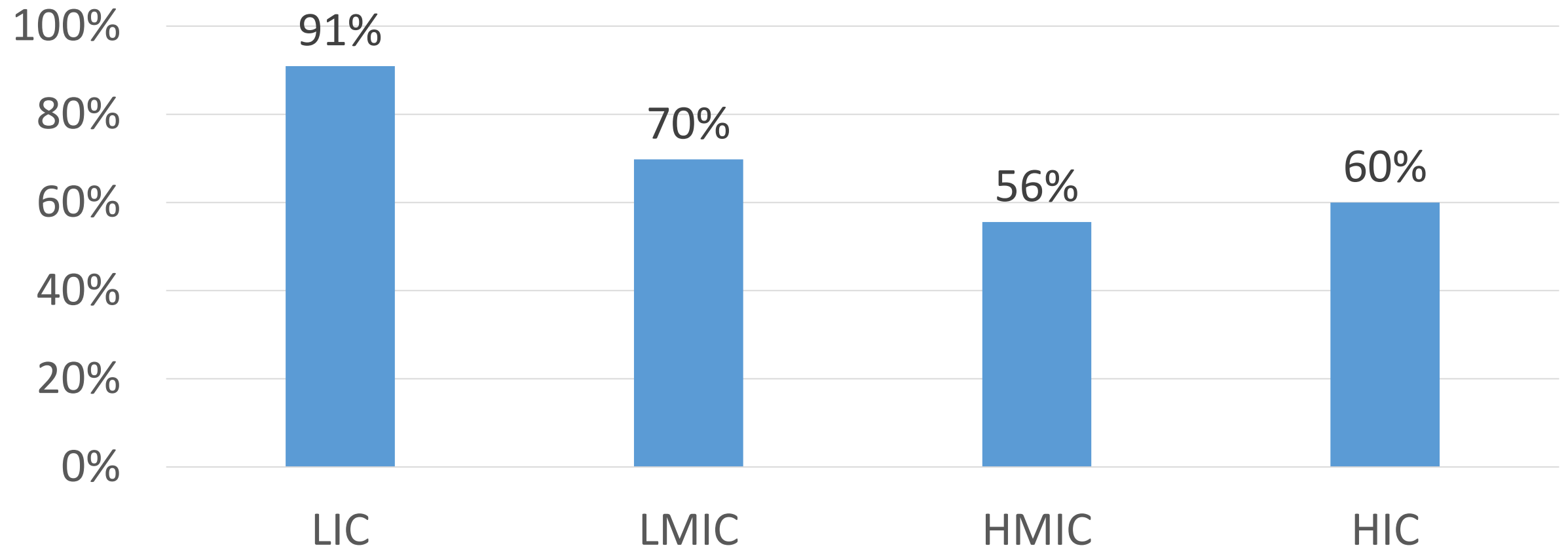
The UN development system on the ground in 2016

- ❖ *131 UNCTs*
- ❖ *15 UNDG members in UNCTs on average (11 resident/4 non-resident)*
- ❖ *837 Results Groups (up from 766 last year)*
- ❖ *331 joint programmes (up from 320 last year)*
- ❖ *304 active partnerships (up from 213 last year)*



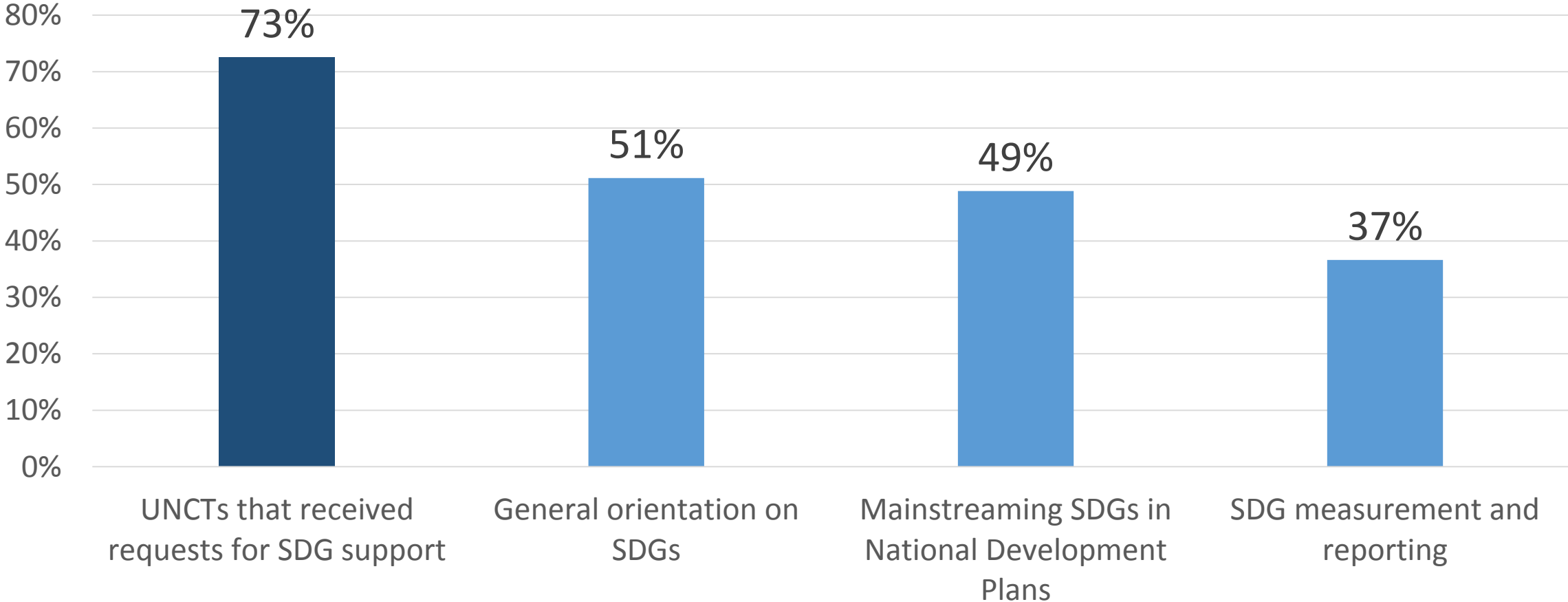
UNCTs engaged with National Development Plans in 78 out of 108 countries (2016)

In key areas of: (1) indicator development, target setting and data; (2) national status on IAGs, treaties and standards; (3) identification of vulnerable groups

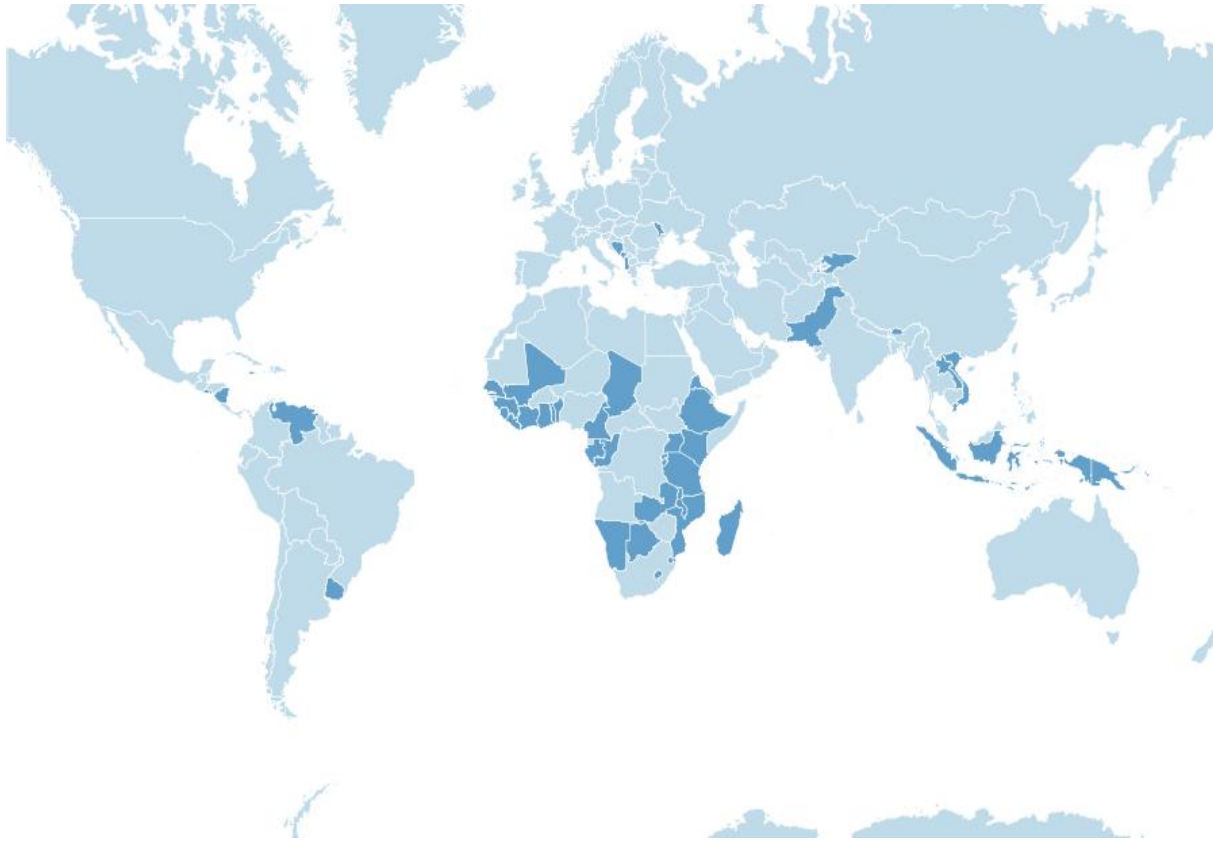


95 of 131 UNCTs supporting the national SDG response by end 2015-2016

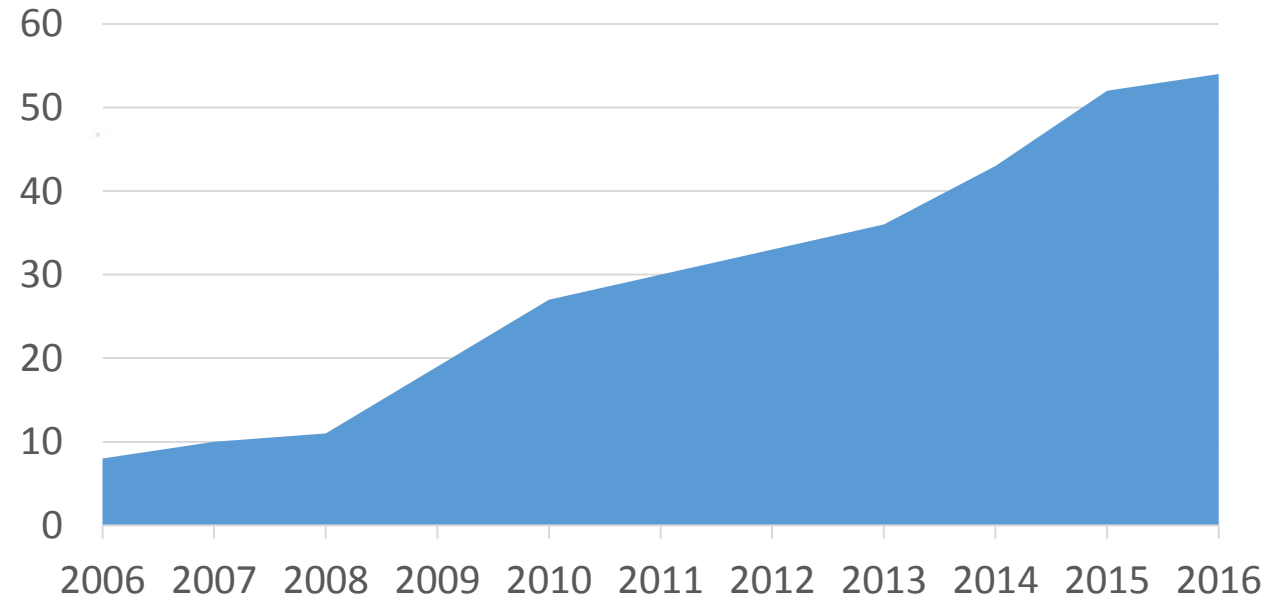
Support Requested by Government by Type (2015)
(N=131)



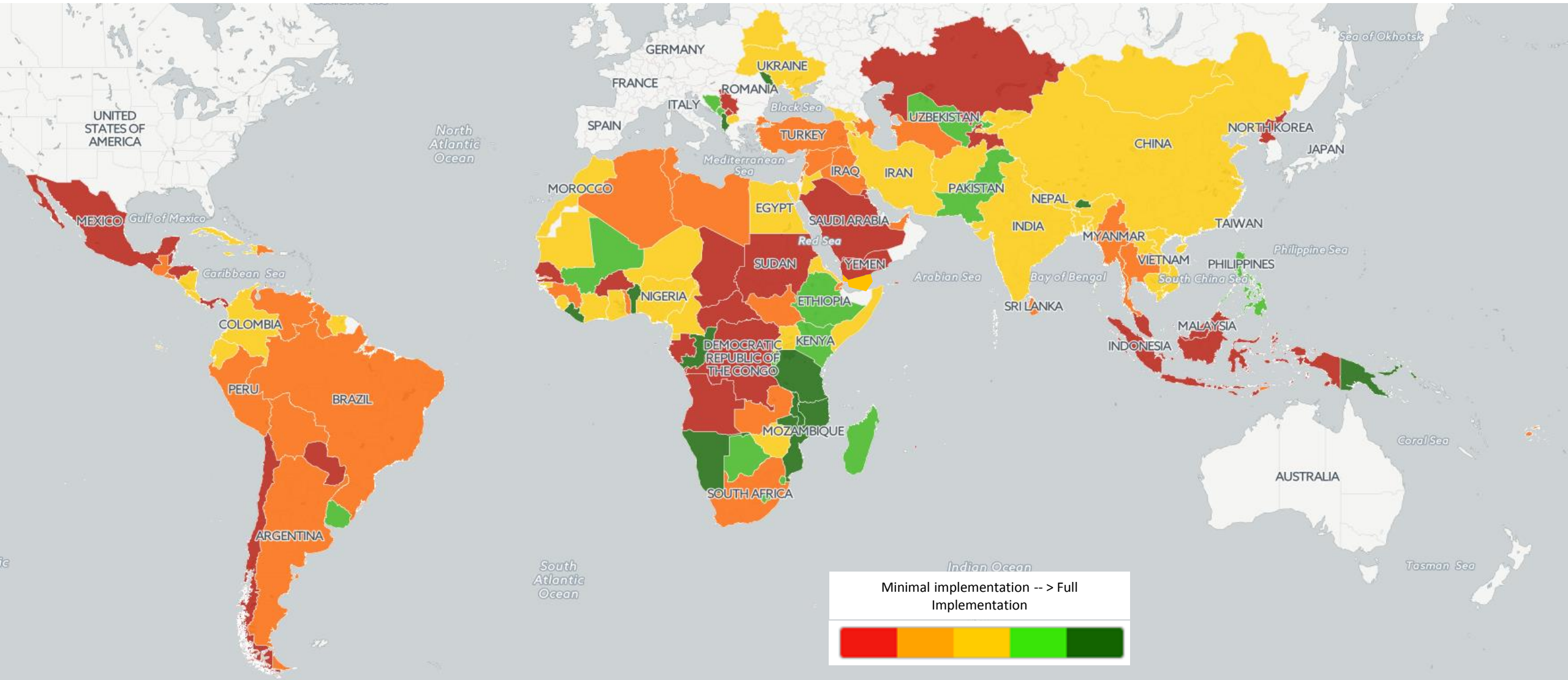
54 countries formally applying “Delivering as one” - 83% led by Joint National-UN Steering Committees (2015)



of countries that have voluntarily adopted "Delivering as one" 2006-2016



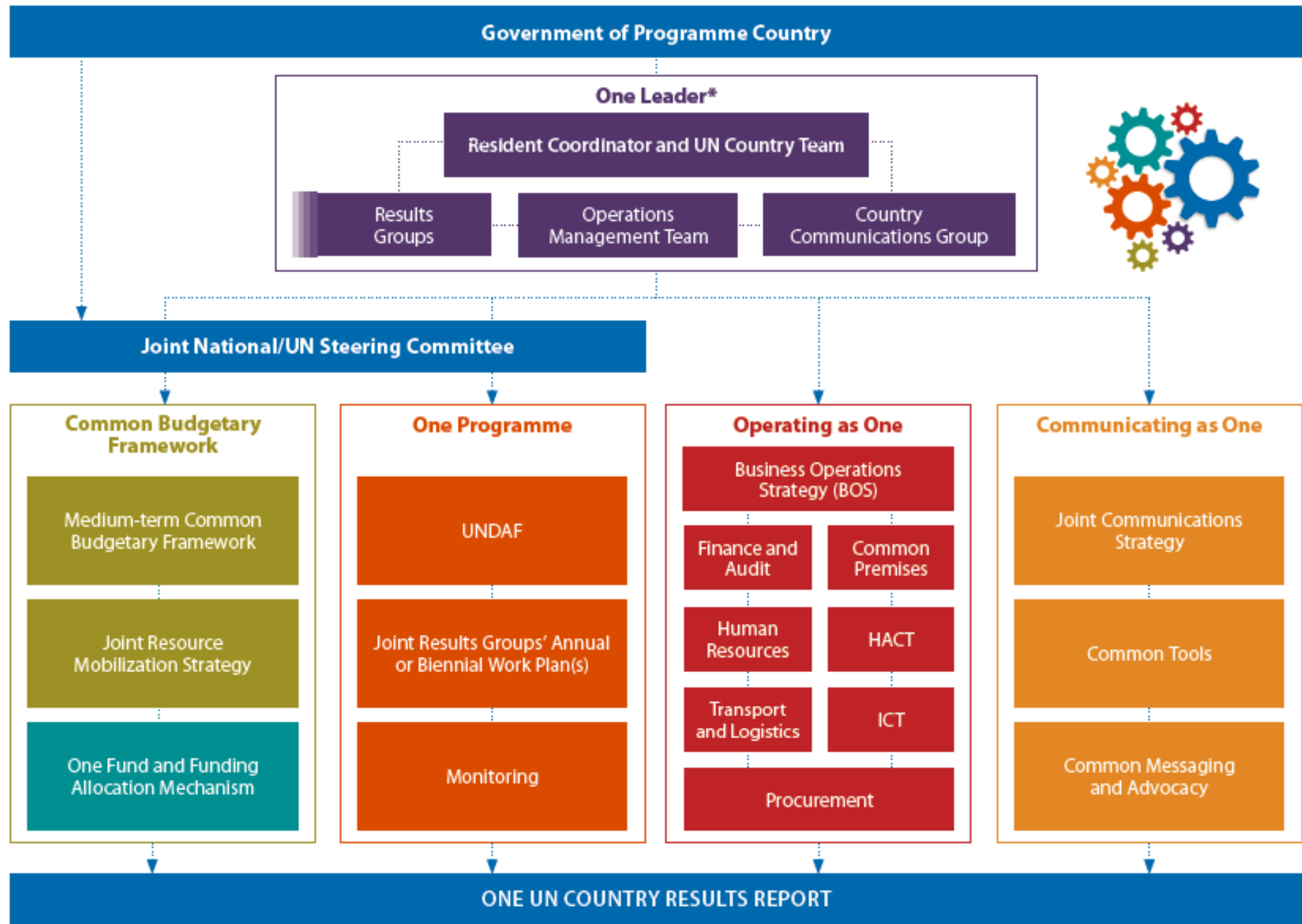
SOPs Tracker: progressive implementation of the 15 core elements (follow on www.undg.org)



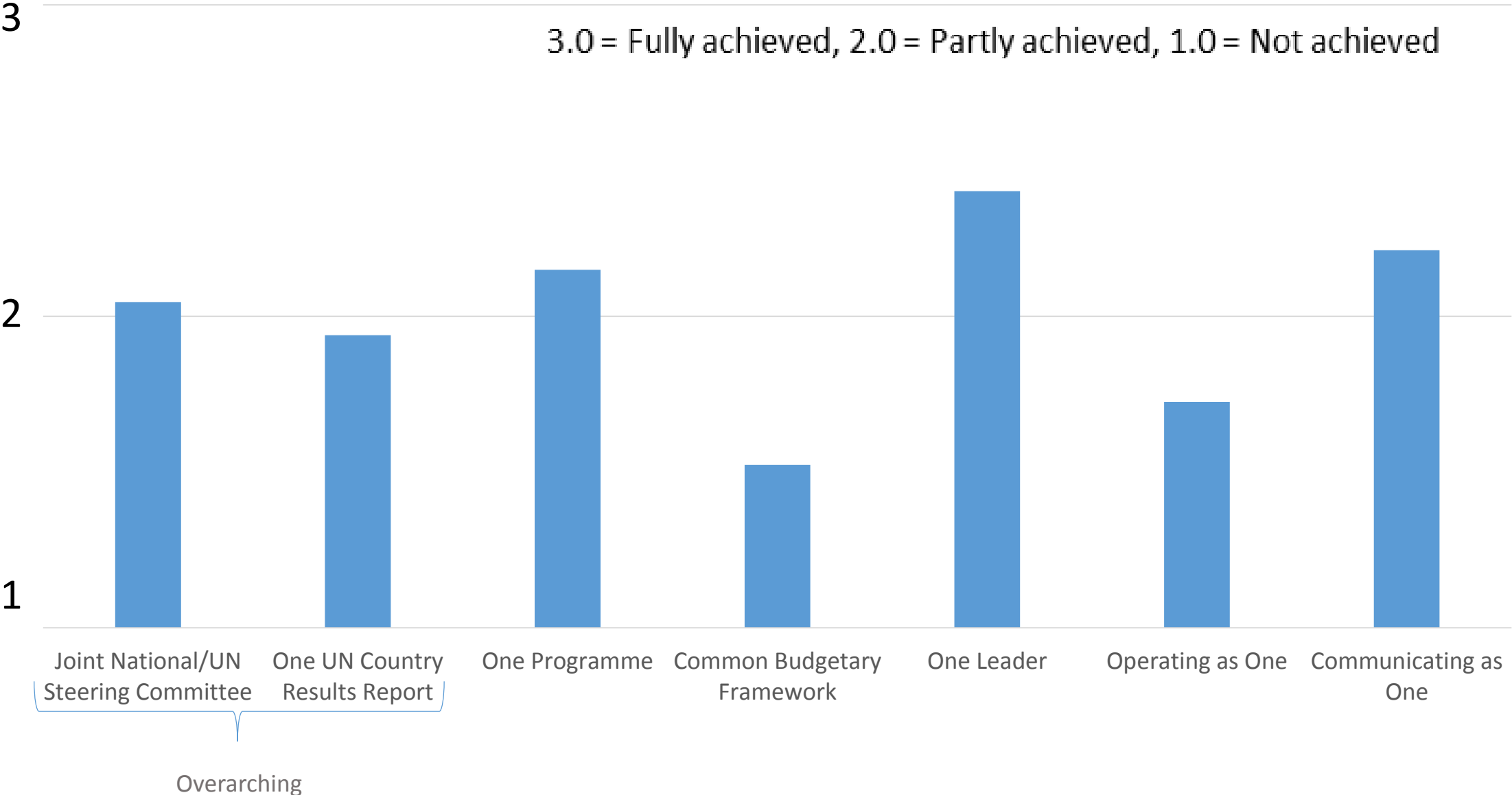
Note: This map is based on 2015 data from the UNDG Information Management System (IMS)

What are they?

The SOPS are good business practices that help organize UNCTs – to be more effective in delivering development results together



Progress on Implementation of UNDG Standard Operating Procedures, across all 131 UNCTs

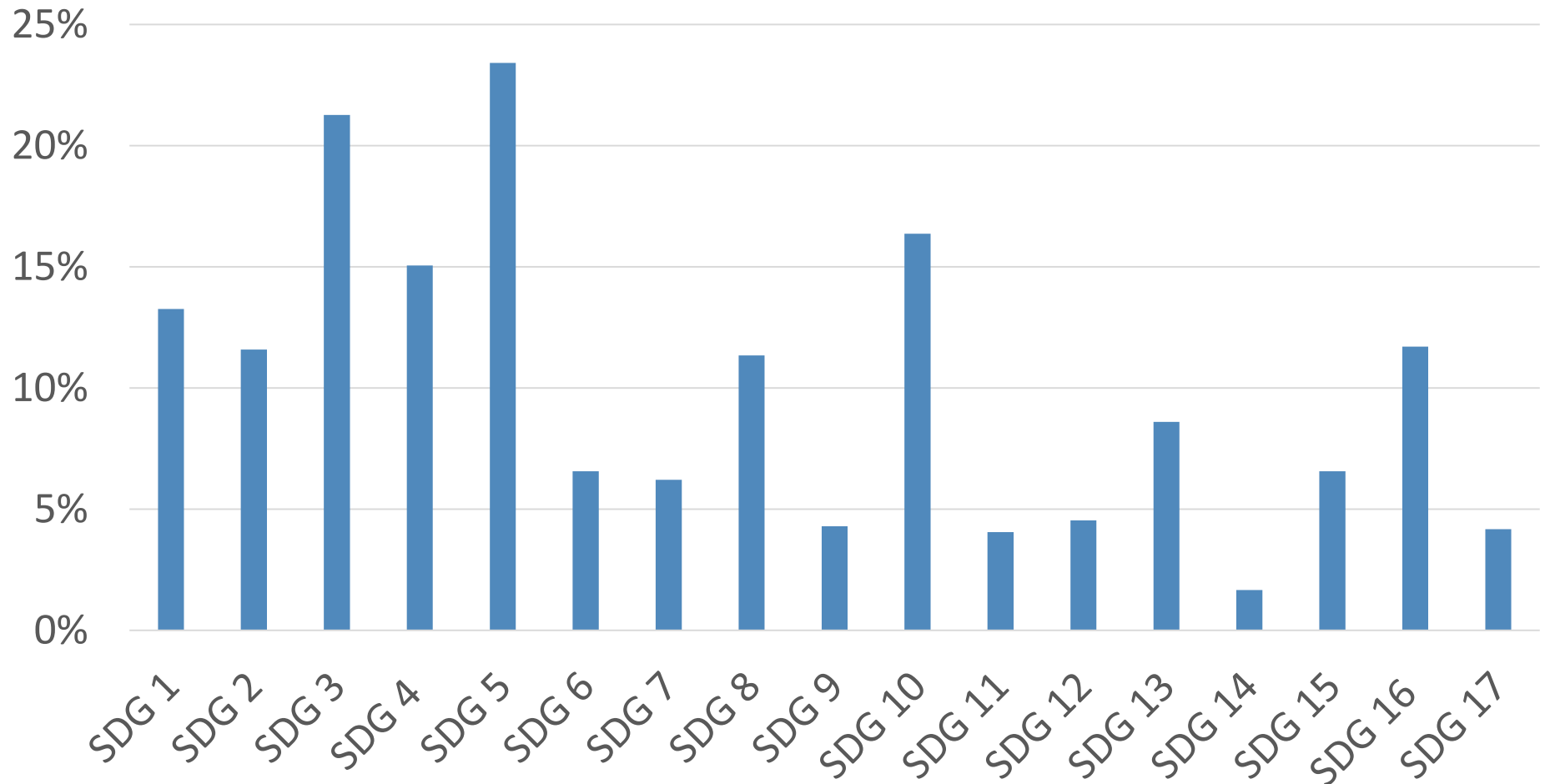


6.3 UN Results Groups per country to address the SDGs

Each UNCT asked to tag # of SDGs addressed by each Results Group.

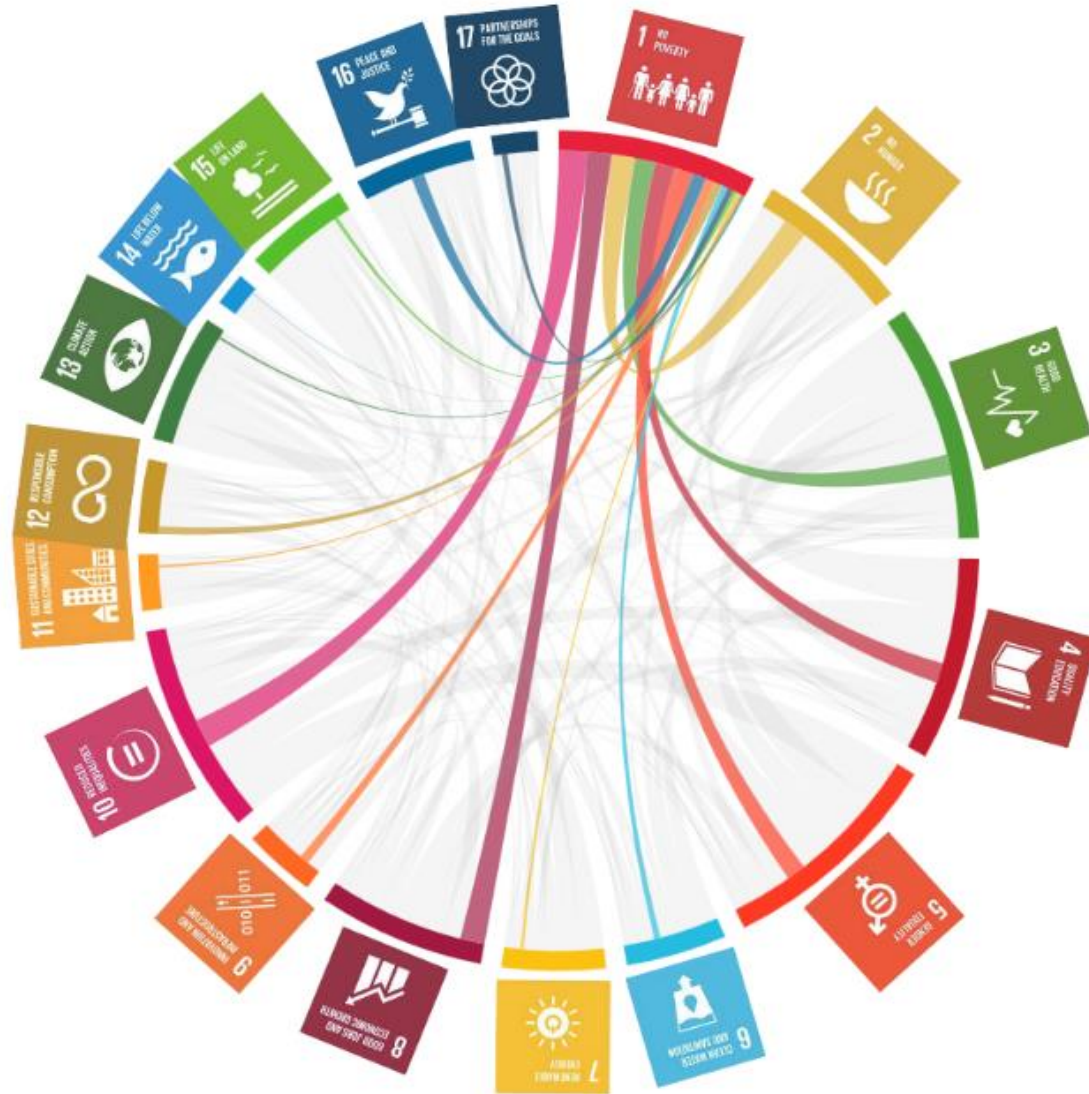
The 837 Results Groups tagged 1.7 SDGs each.

% of UNCT Results Groups addressing an SDG (in 2016)
(N=837 Results Groups across 131 UNCTs)



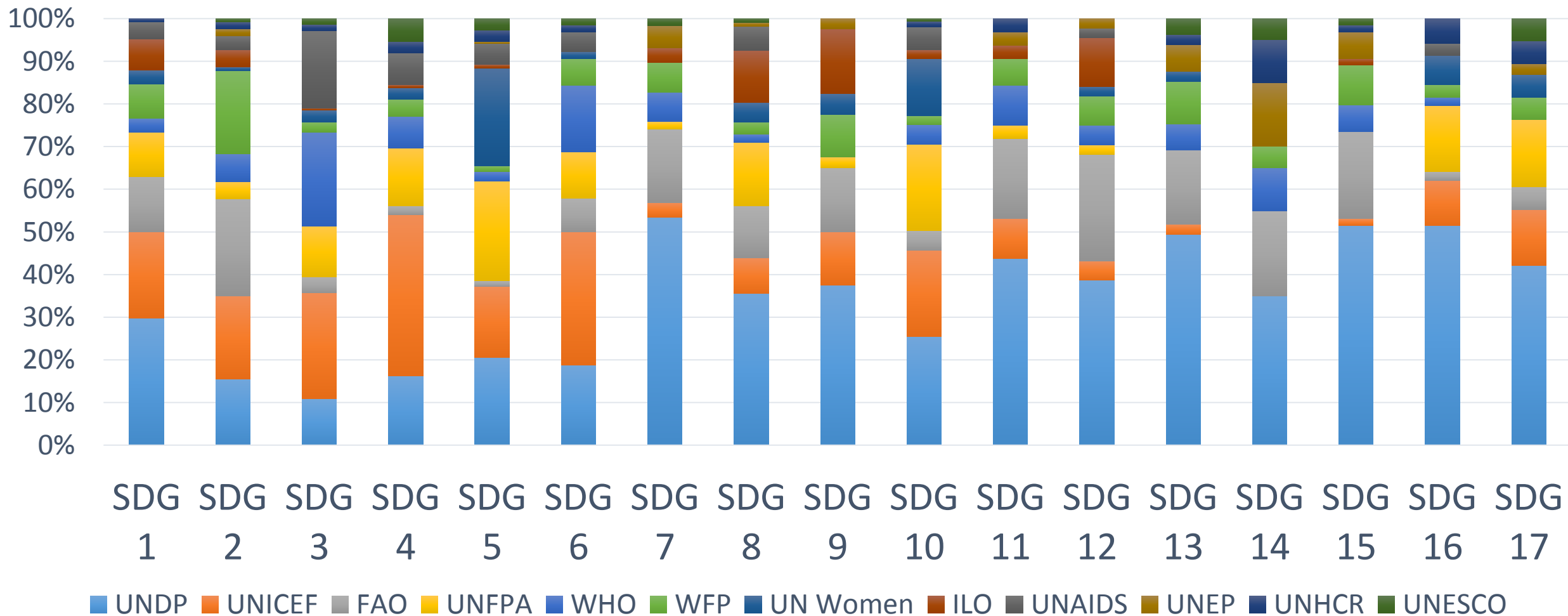
Interlinkages between SDGs across Results Groups - SDG 1 (poverty) and SDG 10 (inequality) strongly connected in UNCTs work

Note: this data visualization is a work in progress. The graphic shows the ‘other SDGs’ indicated by UNCTs as “addressed by each Results Group, other than the primary SDG.



UN agencies lead issue-based Results Groups across the SDGs, with highest percentage led by UNDP, UNICEF and FAO

% of results groups on SDG led by agency (N=837)



8 Emerging Trends in a New Generation of UNDAFs for 2030 Agenda



Greater focus and fewer strategic priorities



Broader multi-stakeholder engagement



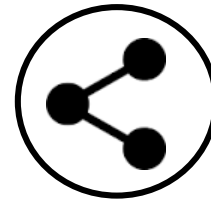
Normative & policy agenda at the center of operational activities



Increase in South-South/triangular cooperation



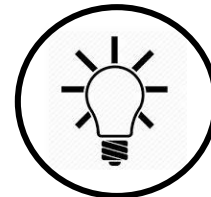
From UN development assistance to UN partnership frameworks for sustainable development



Multi-country UN Development Frameworks (SIDS)

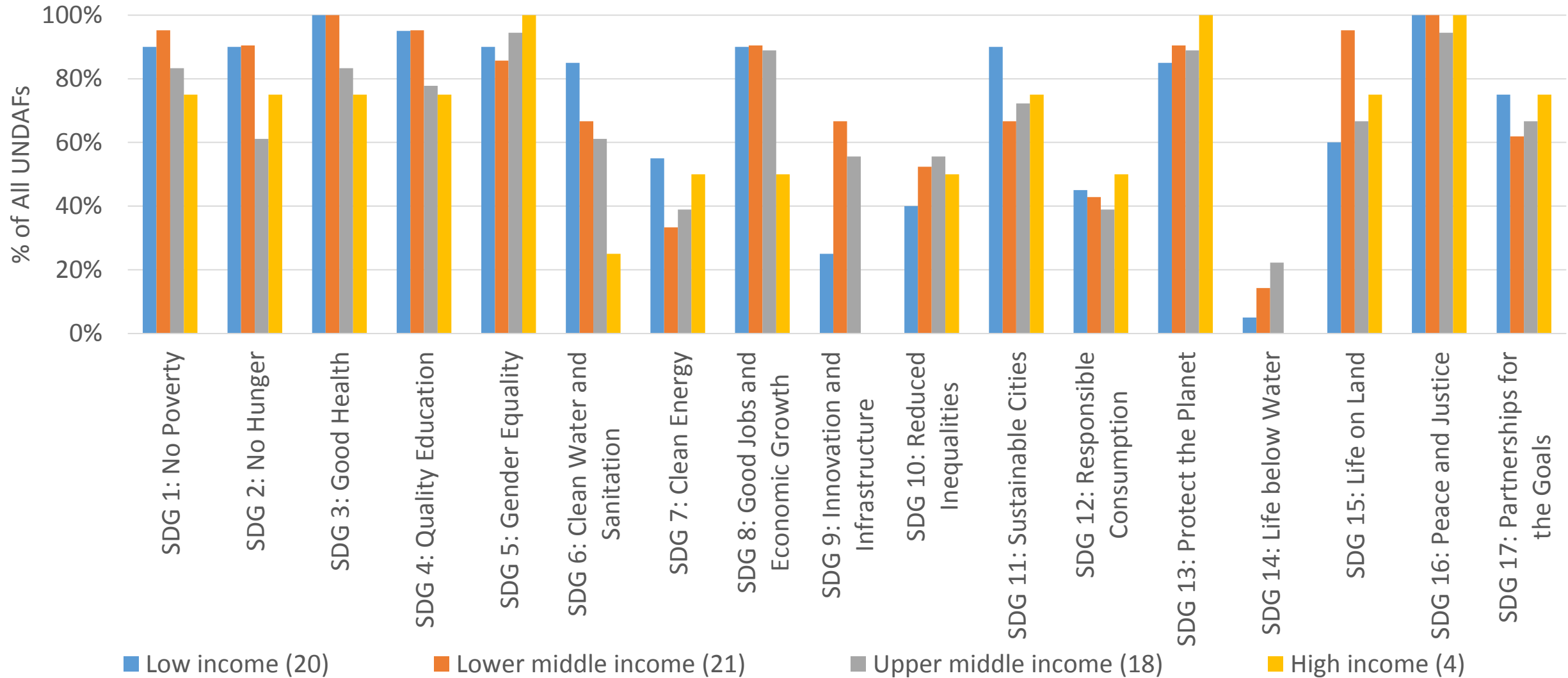


Increased support to data quality and national statistical capacities



Testing innovative approaches for strategic planning and monitoring

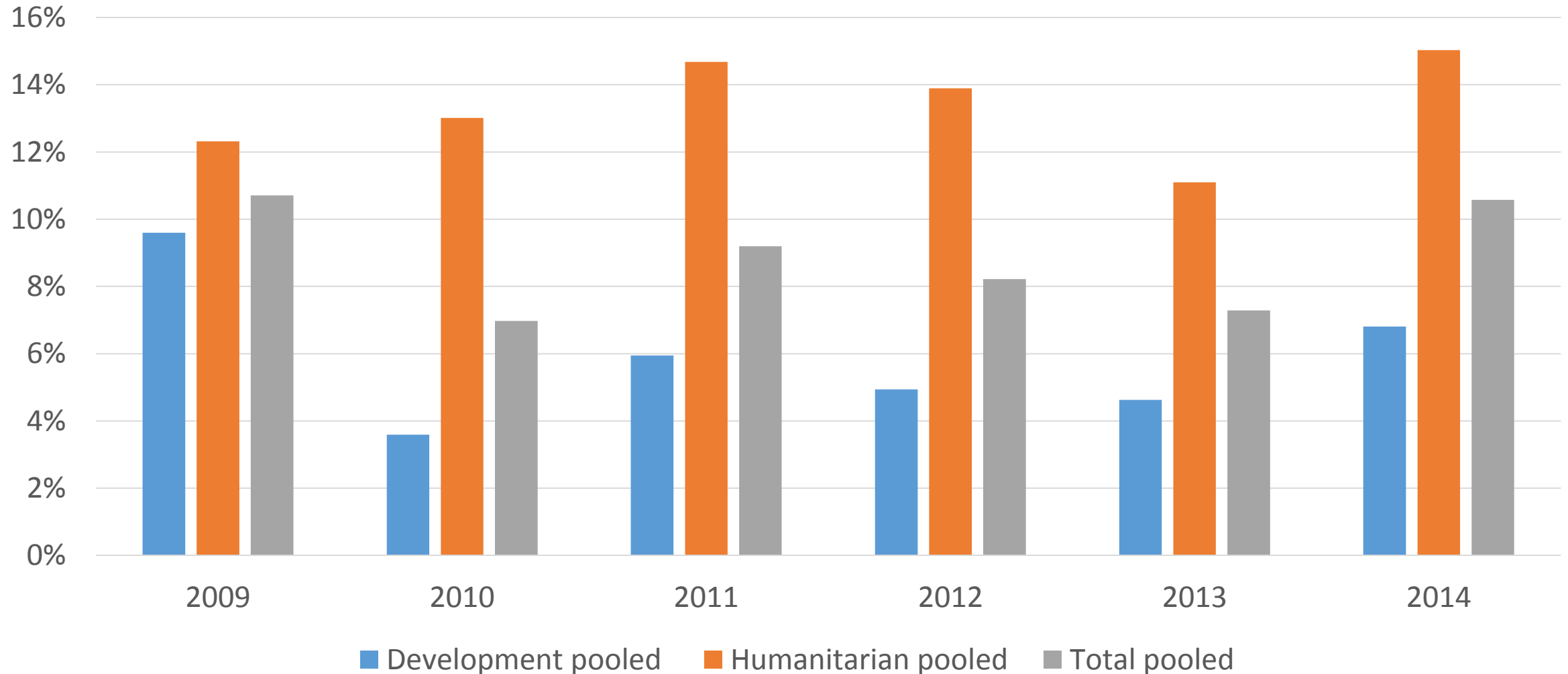
SDG capture in UNDAF outcomes, by country income category: SDGs 1-5, 13 and 16 predominate



Source: Desk reviews conducted by UNDOCO

Pooled funding promotes joint actions and results. UN humanitarian pooled funds over double that of UN development pooled funds

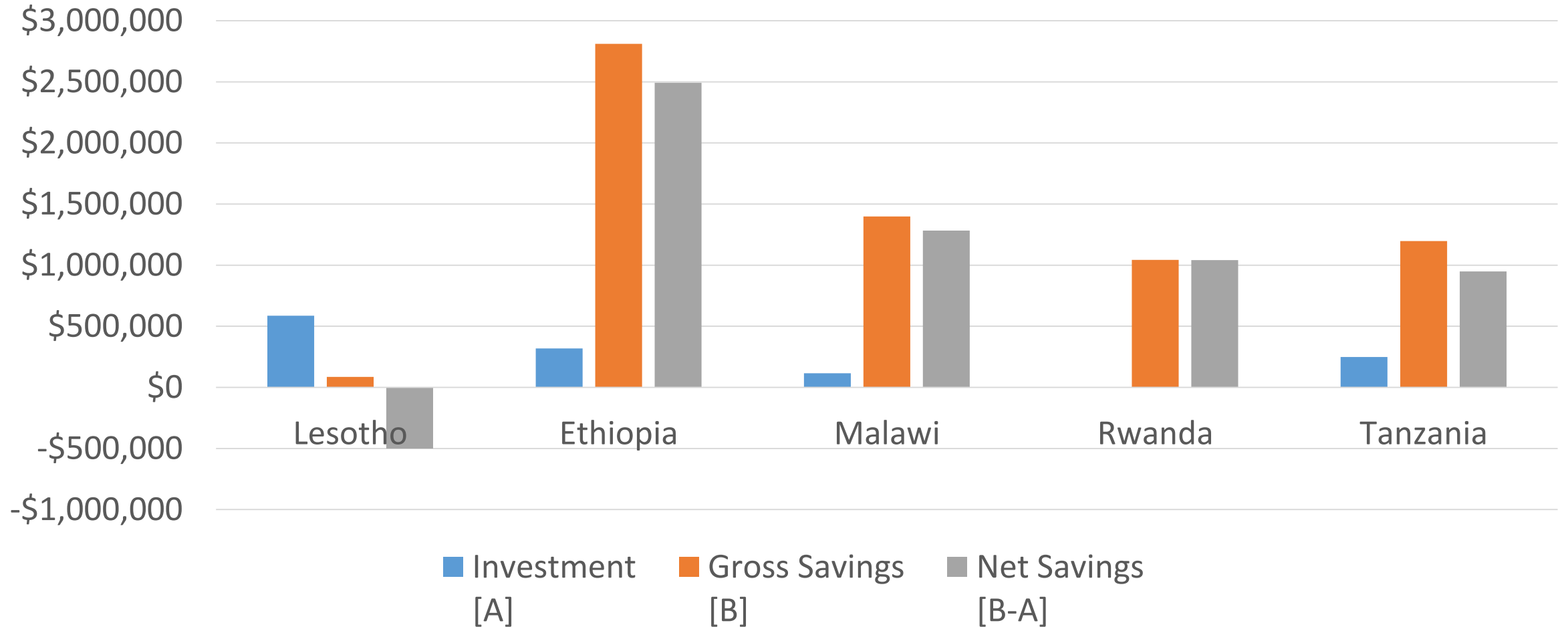
Percentage of non-core funding channeled through UN pooled funds



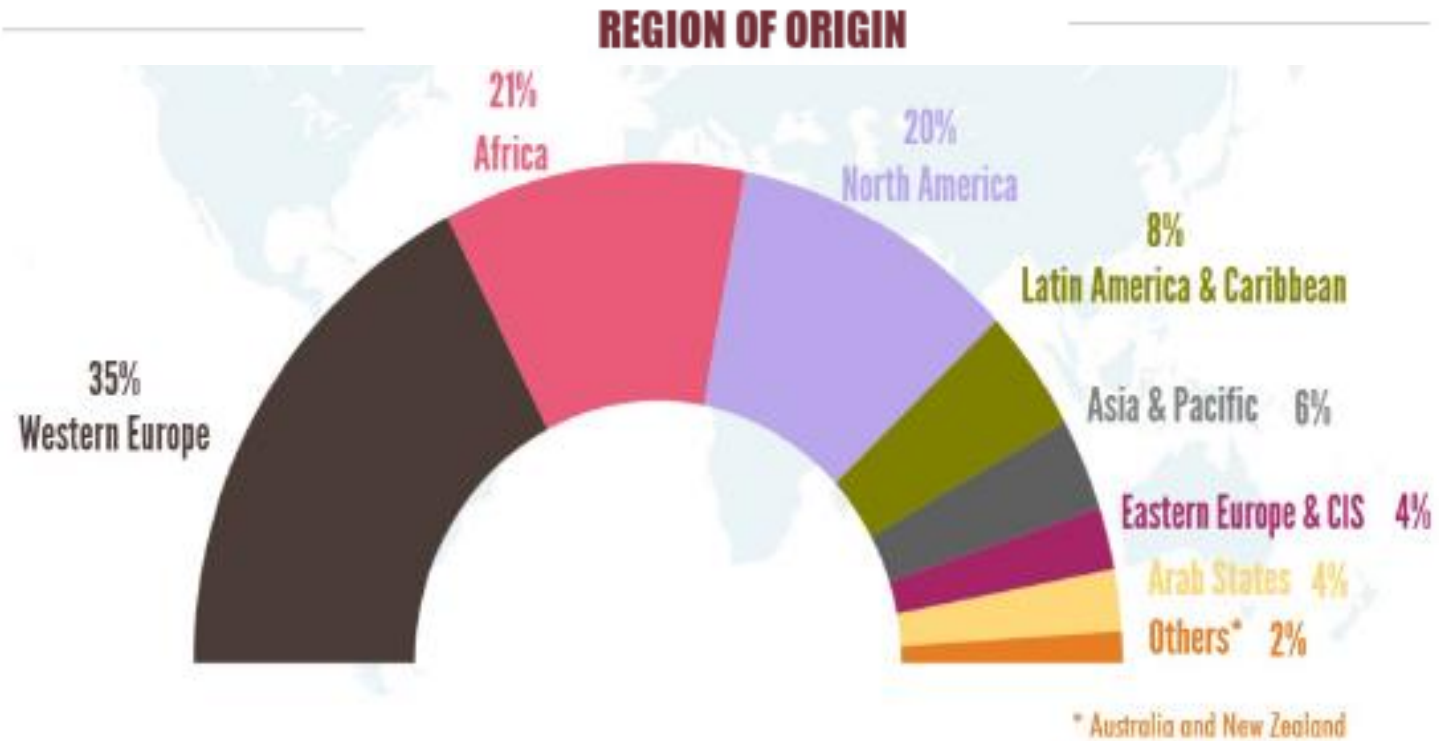
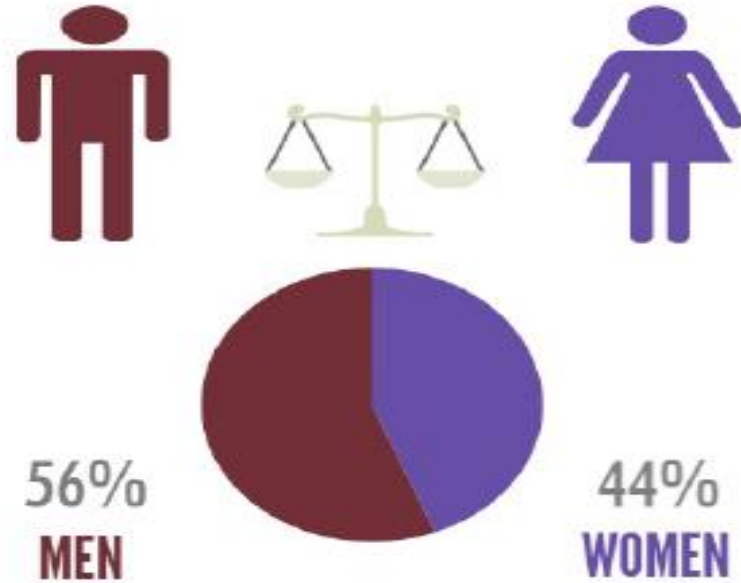
Source: Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office

Impact of the Business Operations Strategy (BOS) – savings realized 2013/14

Mid-term Evaluation of Business Operation Strategy Pilots (2013-14)



June 2016 Leadership Spotlight: UN Resident Coordinators



Agency distribution (18 agencies plus externals)

UNDP	OCHA	UNICEF	UNHCR	UN Women	DPKO	UNDPA	FAO	UNV	Others	External
55%	10%	4%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%	6%	6%

Data sets with CEB, UNDG (DOCO IMS), IATI....Example: Botswana

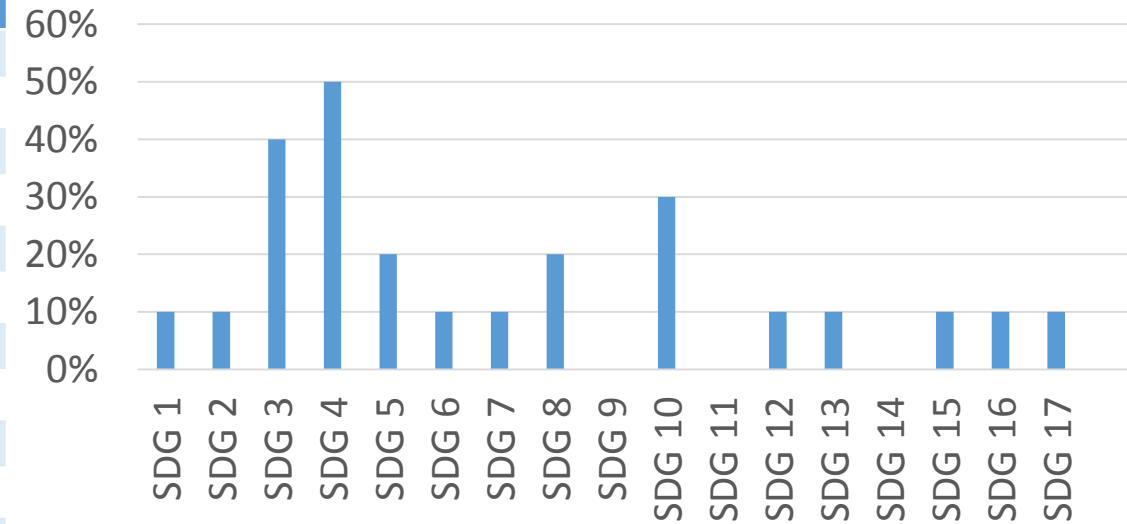
Expenditures and staff by UNCT members

Organization	Expenditures	P Staff	G Staff	N Staff	Total Staff
UN	0	1	0		1
UNOPS	0			1	1
UNESCO	0			2	2
UNDP	\$5,982,000	6	15	4	25
UNFPA	\$2,762,000	1	5	6	12
UNHCR	\$2,745,000	2	3	1	6
UNICEF	\$2,303,000	4	9	3	16
WHO	\$1,099,000	1	8	6	15
UNAIDS	\$986,001	3	2	2	7
FAO	\$433,001	0		1	1
ILO	\$81,000	0	0	0	0
		18	42	26	86

Source: UNDESA and CEB (2014)

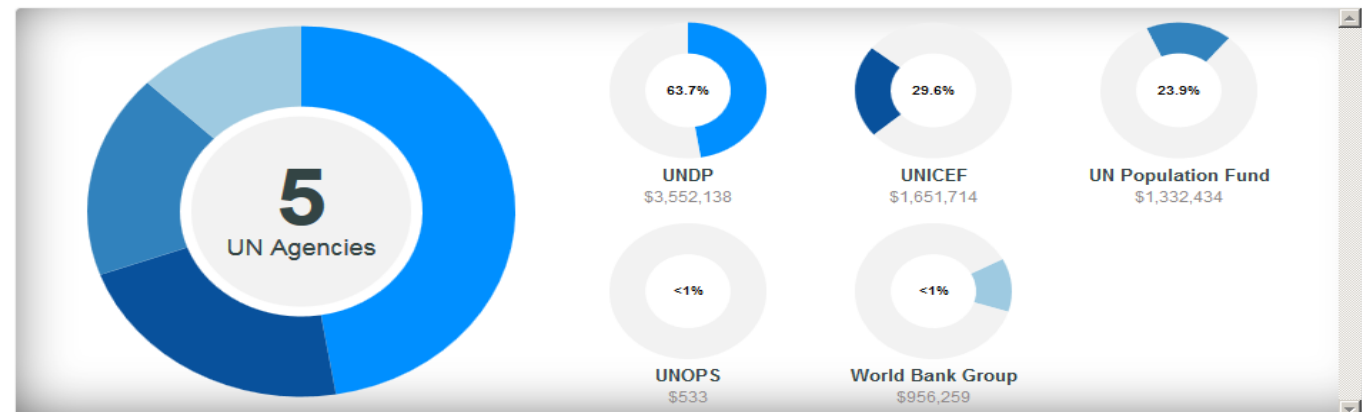
**Forthcoming: UNDG
Transparency Portal
and UN Info**

Focus of Results Groups in Botswana (N=10)



Source: UNDG IMS (2016)

Where does the money come from? (IATI 2015)



Source:
open.undg.
org (data
validation
in progress)

UN Info:

Digitizing the UNDAFs in 2017

What the UN does; how much it spends; on what results; as open data for every country of operation

COLOMBIA: UNDAF Projects Snapshot - Sustainable Development (as of 16 June 2016)



In the area of Sustainable Development, the goal is that Colombia advances in sustainable development in social, economic and environmental dimensions, closes gaps between population groups and territories, and achieves productive inclusion in those zones that are farthest behind, integral environmental management and mitigation and adaptation to climate change.

Legend

Budget in USD\$

Projects in Implementation

Agencies

2015 - 2016

\$ 172.3 m

325

12

Principle sources of financing

MINSALUD \$ 14.94 m

\$ 4.08 m

\$ 3.67 m

Agencies with greatest participation



28%



27%



13%



11%



10%

Expected results

Equity and Social Mobility	2015	2016
\$ 46 m	\$ 46 m	\$ 47 m
91	91	69
11	11	11

Reduce social and economic inequality

Gender Equity	2015	2016
\$ 9 m	\$ 9 m	\$ 9 m
35	35	29
6	6	5

Advance in gender equality

Inclusion and Rural Welfare	2015	2016
\$ 22 m	\$ 22 m	\$ 14 m
152	152	137
6	6	6

Inclusion and Rural Welfare

Environmental Sustainability	2015	2016
\$ 23 m	\$ 23 m	\$ 27 m
61	61	48
6	6	5

Ensure environmental sustainability preparing the country for the effects of climate change.

Budget by department



UNDG IMS soon to feature dedicated agency reports on presence and engagement on the SDGs

For each UNDG member:

- Membership in UNCTs
- Memberships in Results Groups
- Leadership of Results Groups
- Participation in joint programmes
- Co-locations and type of premises
- Support to national statistics capacity/ other emerging areas



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ILO Agency Report 2016

ILO is a member of UNCTs in **83.3%** of countries.

ILO is a member of **47.9%** of Interagency Groups globally.

ILO is a chair of **3.7%** of Interagency Groups globally.

UNCT Membership

110 - number of countries ILO is a member of.

22 - number of countries ILO is not a member of.

Eastern and Southern Africa - Zambia

Interagency Groups



Interagency Groups ILO chairs or co-chairs:

HIV and AIDS and SRH&R

Participation and Social Inclusion

18.2% - Percentage of Zambia's Interagency Groups for which ILO is chair or co-chair.

From the evidence– what makes UN coherence work?

1. **Strong ownership and leadership by governments and other national stakeholders**
2. Application of the **shared values, norms and standards of the UN system**
3. **Pooled Financing for joint programmes, activities and results**
4. **Strategic UNDAFs, with shared vision and strengthened accountability for delivery of results**, including on cross-cutting issues such as human rights, gender equality and environmental sustainability
5. **Continued simplification and reduction** of programming, business and transaction costs for Governments, development partners and the UN system
6. **Flexibility to allow for innovation** by UN Country Teams based on local context
7. **Transparency of information** in the public domain
8. **Empowerment of UN Country Teams, under the leadership of the UN Resident Coordinator**, to address country-level needs, based on DaO good practices.