



Indicators for territorial policies: closing data gaps by using traditional and new sources and methods

Use of statistical data in the elaboration of the North Regional Development Strategy





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Regional policy. The need for evidence

- Regional development policy is one of the most important and complex policies in EU.
- Regional policy is addressed to all EU regions and cities, supporting job creation, business competitiveness, economic growth, sustainable development and improved quality of life.





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«Evidence-based» regional policymaking

• "Evidence based policy":

an approach that helps people make well informed decisions about policies, programs and projects, putting development and implementation of policies based on the best available evidence.

• Contrast with:

policies based on opinions

untested views of groups and individuals, often inspired by ideological standpoints, prejudices, or speculative conjecture.





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North Regional Development Strategy (RDS) 2016-2020

- North RDS is a mid-term policy document, developed under the legislation of the Republic of Moldova and according to the strategic framework on regional development. It serves to guide the development of the region within the period 2016-2020.
- North RDS was developed respecting general principles of policy documents: *consistency* with national strategic documents, *participation* of regional actors in developing the strategy and *transparency* of decision-making process, based on *socio-economic analysis* of the region.





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North Regional Development Strategy (RDS) 2016-2020

North RDS is related to the main policy documents on regional development:

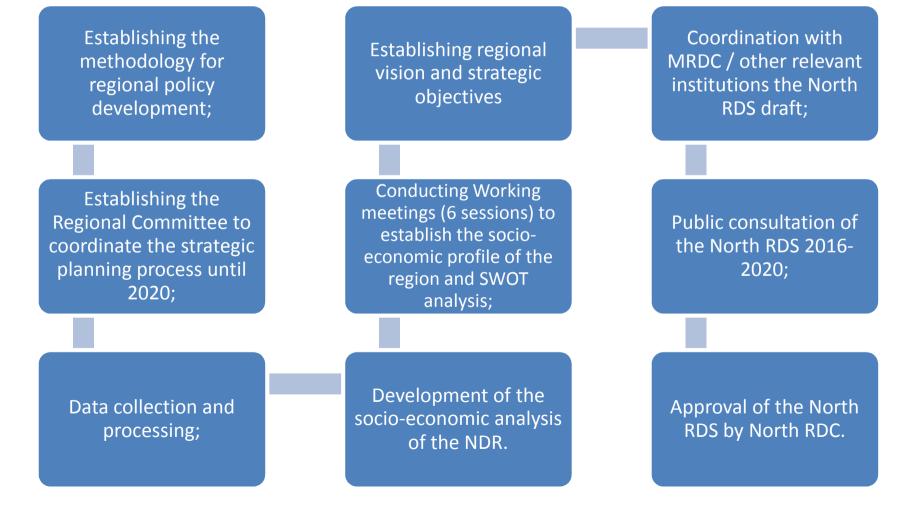
- National Development Strategy of the Republic of Moldova 2012-2020.
- *National Strategy for Regional Development* 2016-2020 main sectoral policy planning document under the responsibility of the Ministry of Regional Development and Construction.
- Sectoral strategies in the priority areas of regional development.





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Steps in the development of North RDS







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The role of socio-economic analysis in developing North RDS

THE ANALYSIS :

- *documented* based on good knowledge and understanding of current situation and development factors
- *relevant* appropriate needs and problems, strengths and development opportunities
- comprehensive and consistent
- realistic and feasible
- *efficient* to be able to achieve its goals and *have a real impact* on development processes

- One of the main components of the planning document
- One of the main steps in the planning process
- It provides answers to questions like:
- Where are we?
- Why are we there?
- What is the development potential and what are the opportunities?
- What are the problems and causes?
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Elaboration of the socio-economic analysis for the NDR

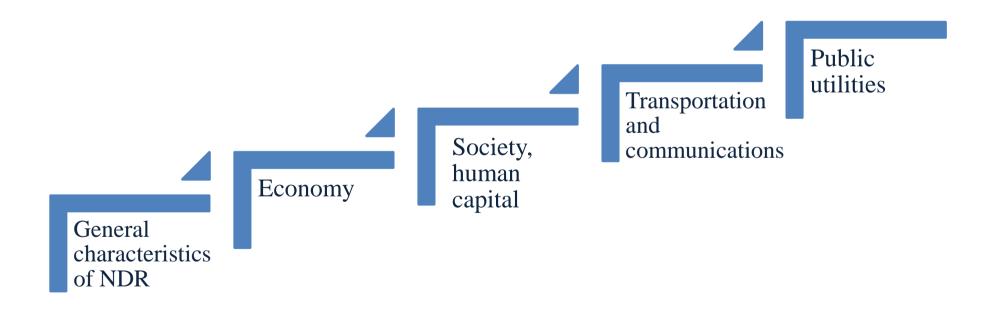






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The analysis was structured in 5 compartments







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Sources of data collection

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Recensăminte		PIB	99,5%
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	10.05.2016 Data Sosirile vizitatorilor stràini în Republica Moldova si plecările vizitatorilor moldoveni în stràinătate, înregistrate la punctele de trecere ale frontierei de stat în ianuarie-martie	Producția agricolă	104,0%
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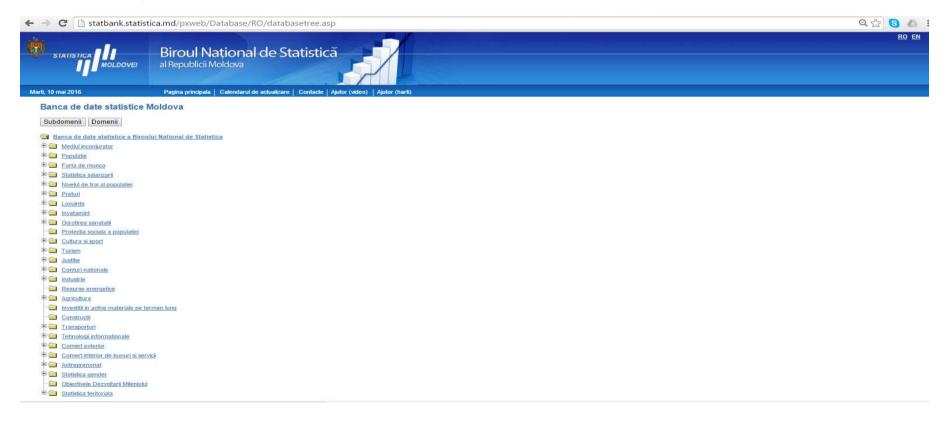




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Tools for regional statistics dissemination

Databank ''Statbank'' - regional datasets (over 20 areas, time series beginning with 2005)





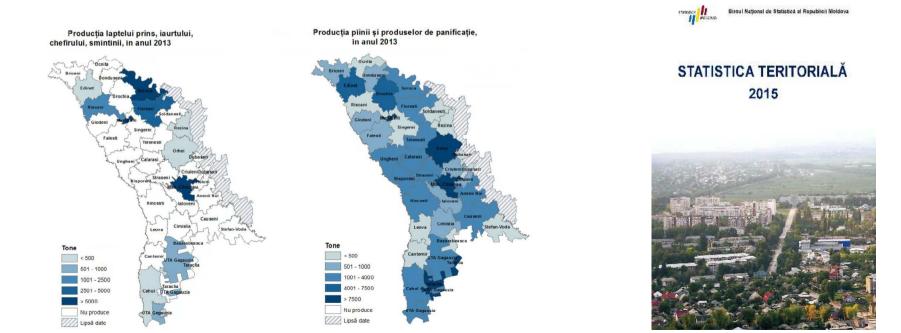


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Tools for regional statistics dissemination (2)

Statistical publications

The publication «Territorial statistics», available from 2013.







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Tools for regional statistics dissemination (3)

Statistical publications

Regionally disaggregated data within statistical publications: "*Statistical Yearbook*", "*Moldova in figures*", etc.

Analytical notes on specific topics from the perspective of strategic objectives in regional development





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Other sources of regional data

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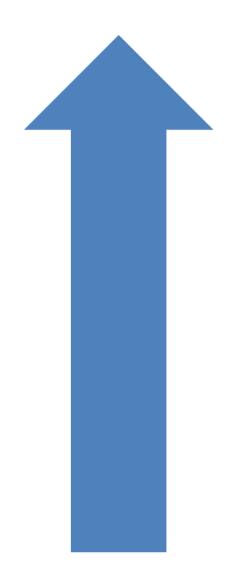
SADI (small areas of deprivation index) - aggregated indicator constituted under a set of relative indicators grouped into socio-economic areas, which offers a comparative view on the level of development of the research units (rural localities)

- Ministry of Health
- Ministry of Labour, Social Protection and Family
- Other related ministries





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The analysis justification was based on 3 types of sources:

- *Documents* (projects, analyzes, reports, records, books, portfolios, etc.);
- *Views* of people involved (questionnaires, interviews, focus groups);
- *Direct observation* (guide observation, observation sheet).





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The analyzed evidence were:

Valid: evidence are significant and support the identified strengths or weaknesses;

Quantifiable: internal and external performance indicators are used, both numbers and percentages are used, clear, unambiguous and verifiable;

Sufficient: evidence is complete and sufficient to cover all needs;

Ongoing: recent enough evidence to provide a precise picture of the situation at the time of writing the analysis;

Exact: the evidence is allocated to identifiable and verifiable sources





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North Regional Development Strategy (RDS) 2016-2020

Overall Objective:

Effective cooperation for balanced and sustainable development of the North Development Region

Specific objectives:

- 1. Ensured access to quality public utilities and services.
- 2. Sustainable economic growth in the North Development Region.
- 3. Improved governance on regional development.





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Data collection risks and issues

- Analyzing a considerable number of strategy development processes at local and regional levels, it has been proved that *data collection is a critical stage in the planning process* and it is one of the most difficult to control.
- *Collecting information tends to exceed the initial term*, and using resources from subsequent stages can turn into a handicap for the planning process. Involvement in excess of the planning team in the collection of data *does not allow focusing on the most essential issues* of the strategy the problems and needs, goals, actions or organizing its implementation.





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Data collection risks and issues

Typical problems and risks include:

- *Lack of data* or *limited available data*, or (more commonly) *ignorance* of possible sources of information;
- Using available and easily accessible data, yet mismatched or *outdated*;
- *Collecting too much data*, much of which is superfluous to strategy and not used in the analysis;
- *Collecting information takes so long* that when the analysis is done, the situation has changed already.





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Conclusions

- The analysis serves as a basis for formulating objectives and strategic actions by assessing the current situation, identifying trends, highlighting the main problems, needs and opportunities
- The quantity and quality of information affects the quality of the analysis and conclusions, respectively the quality of strategy.







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Thank you!