Opportunities: Working with CRVS

ESCAP is pursuing a one year project to build national capacities of Asian-Pacific countries in implementing the Regional Action Framework on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics, including effective monitoring of the achievement of its goals and targets. As part of this project, ESCAP is seeking to hire two consultants to assist in the delivery of these activities. The vacancy announcements for CRVS monitoring and training experts can be found respectively here and here; individuals with experience in dealing with CRVS initiatives are encouraged to apply. Applications from qualified female candidates are particularly welcomed.

Regional Partnership meeting on Civil registration and Vital Statistics in Asia and the Pacific

the ESCAP Secretariat convened a meeting of the Regional Partnership for CRVS on 14 June 2016. Participants included: ESCAP, UNICEF, UNHCR, SPC, WHO, Plan International, and World Vision. The meeting included fruitful considerations on the outcome of the 72nd Commission and the regional synthesis report. The momentum for the improvement of CRVS in the region continues. Moreover the partners agreed to work towards the generation of a shared work programme by creating a mapping of CRVS related activities in the region. In collaboration with ESCAP, this will allow partner organizations to optimize joint action for the implementation of the regional action framework (RAF).

CRVS experts from ESCAP and ECA validate training tools and share experiences

As part of the implementation of an interregional Development Account Project to strengthen national capacity of civil registration and vital statistics in Africa and Asia and the Pacific, ECA and ESCAP organized an expert group meeting and a seminar from 30 May through 3 June 2016 at the United Nations Conference Centre in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. The EGM and the seminar brought together civil registration experts from Asia and the Pacific (Bhutan, Republic of Korea, Philippines and Turkey) and 10 countries from the African region, experts from partner agencies, as well as staff of the two Regional Commissions. The EGM and the seminar reviewed and provided recommendations to improve a draft template to produce national vital statistics reports and a trainers' manual; (2) developed a plan of rolling out the manual and subsequent application by countries for capacity building; (3) shared experiences in tackling common challenges in implementation of CRVS programmes in both regions and various strategies and provided recommendations on ways to strengthen regional and international support, including developing guidelines on integrating CRVS into national implementation of the 2030 Agenda.
Events & Media

Next meeting Regional Steering Group
6 - 7 September 2016, United Nations Conference Center, Bangkok, Thailand.

Bloomberg data for health initiative
Read more about the initiative and involved countries [here](#).

Support for the CRVS momentum in the Philippines
Economic think tank advocates for CRVS improvement, read more [here](#).

A Call For Contributions
Do you have anything you want to share? We welcome contributions to the newsletter and website. If you have a story on CRVS, insights, events, information or tools, please send them through to perkinsm@un.org.

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