

**IASSIST 2008**

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# Establishing Data Archives in Developing Countries: Some Initial Steps

## **International Household Survey Network and Accelerated Data Program**

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## What countries have

- Lots of data (mostly official)
- Poorly documented
- Preservation issues
- Access policy: ad-hoc
- Under-utilized



# What countries need / want

- A simple, powerful standard (DDI 2.x)
- User-friendly tools and guidelines
  - For documenting and cataloguing
  - For anonymizing, disseminating
  - For preserving
- Technical and financial support
- A community of practice



# What has been done (IHSN)

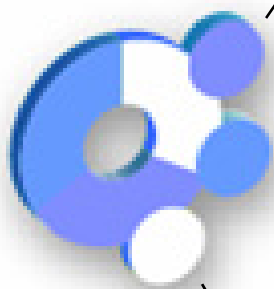
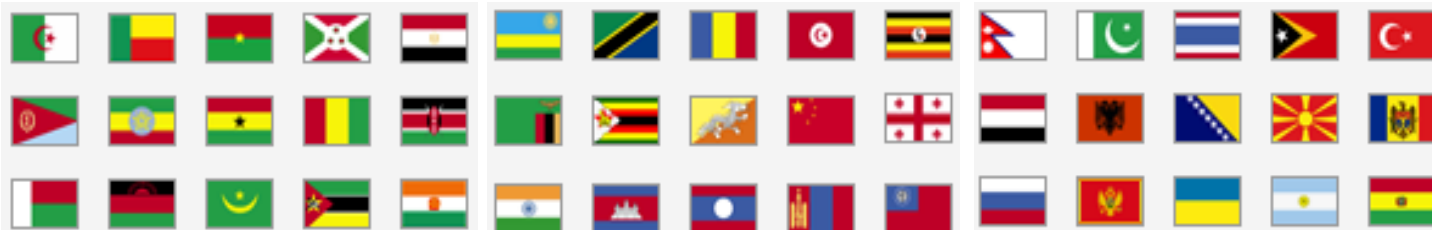
## Establish the International Household Survey Network (IHSN, 2004)

Among other goals: promote better use of existing data → “unlock” data

- Microdata Management Toolkit (w/ Nesstar)
- Guidelines (policy/technical) / training
- DDI Cataloguing System (NADA)



# IHSN strength: partnerships



... and others



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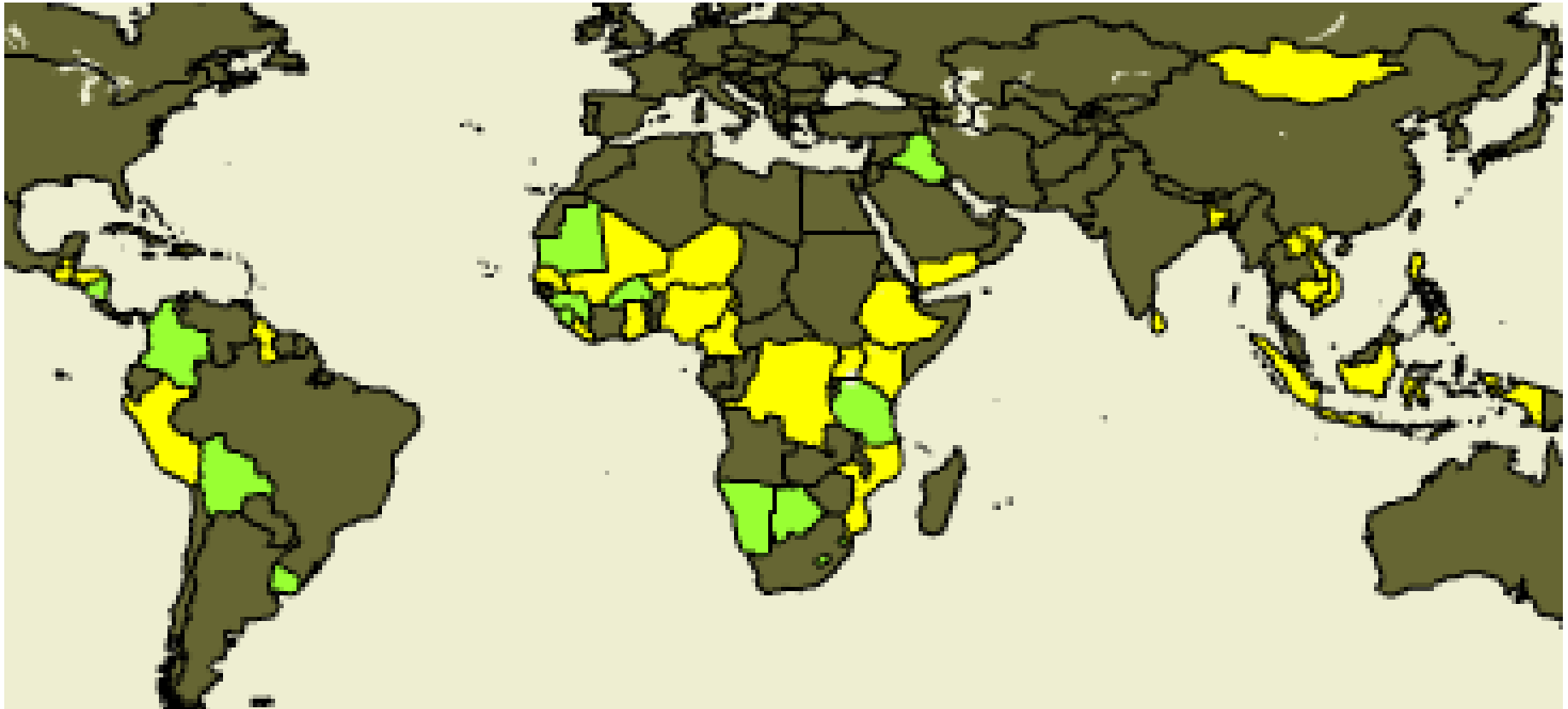
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## Accelerated Data Program (ADP)

- World Bank, PARIS21/OECD + partners
- “Task 1”: Establish data archives, using IHSN tools and guidelines (DDI)
- Inventory, recovery, documentation, cataloguing, [anonymization], dissemination
- Promote regional initiatives (eg AASDA)
- Huge demand (NSOs, line ministries, others)
  - Main motivation is not always research !



# Geographic coverage



Activities in > 50 countries



# What's next

Tools: Unicode DDI (2.x) editor !

“Global” catalog

Anonymization tools

Guidelines (eg LT preservation, SQAf)

Scaling up

Support regional communities of practice

Institutionalize the practices (UN)