

## ABOUT AFE

The East Africa Regional Technical Assistance Center (East AFRITAC, AFE) is a collaborative venture between the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the recipient countries, and bilateral and multilateral development partners.

It originated from the IMF's response to African leaders' call on the international community to increase technical assistance (TA) to Africa and focus it more sharply on capacity building. AFE provides TA and training to **Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Rwanda, Tanzania (including Zanzibar), and Uganda.**

East AFRITAC continues to build capacity for high quality Real Sector Statistics to support informed economic policy-making and evaluation at the national and regional level.

### AFE'S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- Improve the quality and expand the range of national accounts and price statistics in line with the latest international standards.
- Improve the timeliness of statistics.
- Support regional harmonization.

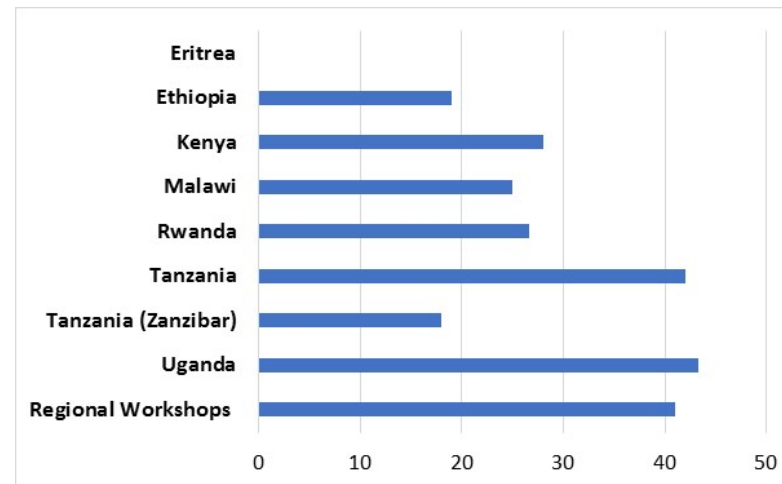
### STATUS OF THE REAL SECTOR STATISTICS - MAIN ISSUES

- Outdated base years.
- Lack of export and import price indexes and limited producer price index (PPI).
- Lack of quarterly GDP in some member countries.

## MAIN ACHIEVEMENTS OF AFE DURING FY16-FY18

Through AFE, the IMF provided **243 person-weeks** of TA and training on real sector statistics to member countries during FY16-FY18: **202 weeks** of TA and **41 person-weeks** of regional workshops.

### NATIONAL ACCOUNTS AND PRICE STATISTICS MISSIONS AND WORKSHOPS DURING FY16 –FY18 (PERSON-WEEKS)



### ANNUAL NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

- **Base year update:** **Rwanda** rebased GDP in 2017; **Ethiopia, Tanzania, and Uganda** are expected to release rebased GDP estimates in 2018.
- **Improved use of administrative data:** Access to detailed government data has been achieved in most countries; and **Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania, and Uganda** have succeeded in gaining access to VAT and income tax data.

- **Improved quality of GDP estimates:** **Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda** are reviewing source data to align to new and better available data to update indicators. They are developing supply and use tables for improved benchmark estimates.

### QUARTERLY NATIONAL ACCOUNTS

- Quarterly GDP by expenditure has been developed in **Kenya, Tanzania, and Uganda.**
- **Ethiopia** is compiling Quarterly GDP by activity.

### PRICE STATISTICS

- **CPI improvement:** **Malawi, Rwanda, and Tanzania** rebased their consumer price indexes (CPIs). **Kenya and Uganda** recently conducted household budget surveys and plan to rebase the CPIs during 2018-2019.
- **Tanzania** rebased export and import price indexes (XMPIS); and **Malawi, Kenya, Rwanda, and Uganda** are in the process of developing the indexes.
- **Tanzania and Uganda** are developing agricultural producer price indexes.

## REGIONAL AND COORDINATION ACTIVITIES

The AFE continues to promote and enhance collaboration with other technical assistance providers and the donor community to meet the demands of member countries and the East African Community.

Regional trainings and peer to peer learning are provided to support areas covered by the program.

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### Development Partners:



East AFRITAC Status of Real Sector Statistics (February 2018)

Country <sup>1)</sup> Key Achievements	ERI	ETH	KEN	MWA	RWA	TZA	UGA
Rebased CPI		✓		✓		✓	
Quarterly GDP by expenditure developed			✓			✓	✓
Export and Import Price Index developed			✓			✓	✓
Rebased GDP and updated supply and use tables (SUT)			✓		✓	✓	✓
Quarterly GDP by activity developed			✓		✓	✓	✓
Quarterly GDP by expenditure improved		✓			✓		
Annual GDP by expenditure improved		✓			✓		
Export and Import Price Index rebased			✓			✓	
Development/Improvement of Construction Price Index			✓			✓	✓
Development of Agricultural Producer Price Index						✓	✓
Development of Residential Property Price Index (RPPI)						✓	✓

✓: Achieved, ✓: In process

1) ERI: Eritrea, ETH: Ethiopia, KEN: Kenya, MWA: Malawi, RWA: Rwanda, TZA: Tanzania and Zanzibar, UGA: Uganda

## PROJECT TO IMPROVE REAL SECTOR STATISTICS IN EAST AFRICA REGIONAL TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE CENTER (IMF EAST AFRITAC)



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