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The project "Strong Albanian Local Statistics", SALSTAT is part of the project "Bashki të Forta" of the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) for a period of four years. "Bashki të Forta" works for the development of local government and decentralization in Albania.

The object of SALSTAT project is to support INSTAT to build-up and strengthen the statistical system of Albania by providing a sustainable statistical data system, enabling municipality administrations to provide reliable statistical information, and also to set up key components of basic registers for specific administrative and statistical purposes, particularly on the regional and local level.

The conference of the SALSTAT project was launched on May 15th 2018, announced by INSTAT General Director Ms. Delina Ibrahimaj and by the Director General of the Swiss Federal Statistical Office Mr. Georges Simon Ulrich.

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## Short term Indicators

SALSTAT together with INSTAT aim to provide statistical data on the regional and local level, by improving the existing key indicators and providing new indicators in the short, mid and long-term. The first reference of work has been a revision of the published Regional Yearbook of INSTAT for the regional and local level, with new and improved indicators.

The work has started to further enhance the availability and dissemination of local and regional statistical indicators, in particular for the period of 2019 – 2022, and a short term indicator list was identified by an internal INSTAT working group.

This led to the revision of the Statistical Regional Yearbook. The goal of the publication is to include more indicators for qarks and municipalities, including statistical data.

## Launching of the Regional Statistical Yearbook

On 22<sup>nd</sup> November an event was organized on the premises of Hotel Tirana in which was launched the Publication of the Regional Year Book for the year of 2019, with the participation of the SDC representative Ms. Chantal Nicod, Head of Governance and Health, Swiss Embassy in Albania, INSTAT representative Ms. Elsa Dhuli, Project Manager of SALSTAT Project, Mr. Martin Teichgraeber, Mr. Werner Haug FSO Expert, Mr. Aldrin Dalipi - The Head of Council of Tirana Qark and Ms. Adelina Farrici - Executive Director of the Association for Local Autonomy, and representatives of municipalities and other institutions. During this event were presented:

- Main findings of Regional Statistical Yearbook
- Principles and main innovations of the Regional Yearbook.
- Regional Statistical Yearbook data on web GIS platform (<https://instatgis.gov.al>)



The publication can be found in Albanian language on the INSTAT website:

<http://www.instat.gov.al/al/publikime/librat/2019/vjetari-statistikor-rajonal-2019/>

Currently we are working together with INSTAT on improving the future surveys on household, budget statistics, and in data collection (administrative, registers and surveys), in order to be able to disseminate more key indicators on migration (internal/external) and on the regional (12 Qarks) and local (61 Municipalities) level.

## Statistical building and dwelling register

The work has started to develop a concept for a statistical building and dwelling register. The idea of the register is to define all buildings and dwellings, their use, and the residents of them.

For that reason, SALSTAT conducts a detailed assessment of the existing and additional variables needed for the establishment of a statistical building and dwelling register from all relevant sources (for instance Census, Albanian address system, Civil Register, and register for new building permits by the Agency of Territorial Development, and data available at municipalities, etc.). Based on the findings, a proposal for statistical building and dwelling register has to be established. This work is ongoing and the results will be available in the upcoming months.



## Trainings for INSTAT staff and municipalities

An important pillar is the capacity building for municipalities, institutions and regional statistic offices in order to improve and provide basic statistical information on the local and regional level and also for INSTAT staff to engage them in different specific trainings to improve the local and regional statistics.

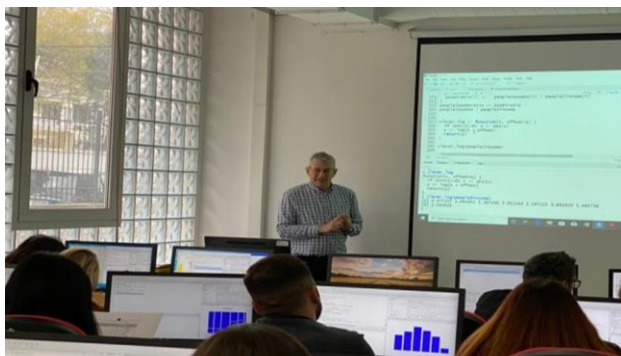
### Trainings with Municipalities and Regional Statistic Offices

In the frame of capacity building for municipalities, there will be organized trainings with the staff of the municipalities and regional statistic offices. The aim of the trainings is to enable municipality administrations to fulfill their functions and duties in an efficient and effective manner by providing reliable statistical information. The trainings will be focused on the main topics as follows:

- Knowledge on official statistics and statistical system Statistical Quality (Base level)
- Data collection and Statistical processing
- Nomenclature of Economic Activities (NACE)
- Excel
- Dissemination, communication and publication
- Economic Statistics
- Household Waste Management

The above mentioned topics were planned to be held by INSTAT staff during April – May 2020 in INSTAT premises. Due to the situation that our country is facing, with the world pandemic of virus Covid-19, these trainings are postponed and hopefully will be held during June – July 2020. SALSTAT team is in charge of organizing everything.

Related to the INSTAT trainings, INSTAT staff had trainings on Language R-Statistics given by Professor Mr. Beat Hulliger at the University of Applied Science FHNW Switzerland.



THANK YOU FROM SALSTAT TEAM!

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