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# **ROAD MAP FOR THE YEAR OF 2020**

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## FOREWORD

This document contains the Action Plan of the Kosovo Agency of Statistics (KAS) and is based on the Annual Plan of Official Statistics for 2020, and in the Programme of Official Statistics 2018-20122, approved by the Government of Kosovo.

In 2020, KAS will be focused on the implementation of the Programme of Official Statistics 2018-2022; implementation of the Annual Program of Official Statistics 2020; implementation of the Action Plan for the implementation of the recommendations of the report "Peer Review 2017"; advancing the planning and monitoring system through the SIPK system; implementation of laws, bylaws, existing regulations and those that are expected to be approved; capacity building especially in economic statistics, social statistics, in IT and data collection.

This document presents the most important activities of KAS which are based on regular plans and tasks presented in the form of integrated road processes, while more detailed plans\* exist in the internal documents of the respective KAS departments.

In the first part of 2020, according to the Law on Official Statistics, KAS will prepare an Annual Report which will include the performance of departments, respectively achievements in KAS and the Kosovo Statistical System in 2019. Eventual differences between what was planned and what was done are transmitted in the following year as part of the plan for the following year. According to the Law on Official Statistics of Kosovo, the Annual Report is sent to the Government and the Assembly of Kosovo for approval.

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\* Detailed plans mean the documents of respective departments which are termed as "working paper".

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# 1. ORGANIZATION OF KAS

In order to meet the needs of users with accurate, reliable, timely and comparable international statistics, KAS will continue to increase its human and professional capacities in 2020.

According to the Law on Official Statistics, the Programme of Official Statistics 2018-2022, the Action Plan for Implementation of Recommendations from the Peer Review Report, SAA, NPISAA, ERA etc., the KAS has considerable tasks and responsibilities in the establishment and development of official statistics at country level, in line with international recommendations and statistical standards, including secondary legislation.

KAS is also responsible for other matters as foreseen by the law and by-laws.

## **In 2020, the KAS plans to:**

- Define and develop statistical methodology, classification and use of standards for the production and release of official statistics.
- Drafting and submitting the Annual Work Plan for 2021 to the Government for approval;
- Submit for approval to the Government and Assembly of Kosovo, Annual Report 2019 on the implementation of the plan, program and use of budget funds. The approved Annual Report will be published;
- Strengthen cooperation with local and international organizations competent for official statistics, in order to enable comparison of official statistics of Kosovo with statistics produced in other statistical systems.
- Increase the quantity and quality of official statistics including the modernization of statistical data collection processes.
- Increase coordination and communication within the Statistical System of Kosovo, especially on SDG indicators.

## **1.1 Important activities expected to be finalized in 2020**

- Activities related to the implementation of the Census 2021 project, namely the realization of the Pilot Census in 2020, depending on the support from the Government and the Assembly of Kosovo;
- Increase of professional capacities and strengthening social, national accounts, economic and agriculture statistics and IT systems;

- Production of statistics according to European and world standards and expansion of their volume. Participation in international meetings, implementation of European statistical methodology;
- Advancing the implementation of the Performance Assessment Framework (SIPK project);
- Advancing the production of quarterly GDP statistics and quarterly Labor Market statistics;
- Publication of data from the unobserved economy for the first time, as well as income and living standard statistics (SILC);
- Increase the budget needed by the Kosovo budget for 2021;
- Drafting and forwarding to the Government for approval of two administrative instructions (Draft AI on Confidential Statistical Data and Draft AI on the Sale of Statistical Data) in accordance with the Law on Official Statistics and amending it;
- Drafting the Law on Population and Housing Census 2021;
- Implementation of the Pilot Project for the Census 2021;
- Implementation of four year project with EC and Swedish Sida, MICS6 with UNICEF, etc.

## **2. STATISTICAL COUNCIL**

The Council is composed of twelve (12) members and the Chief Executive Officer of KAS, representing key institutions, universities, the business community and civil society.

The new Statistical Council, which was established by the Decision of the Government of Kosovo in 2019 with a 5-year mandate, according to the Regulation on its functioning, will make recommendations regarding the processes of development of official statistics. Regular meetings are held every three months.

## **3. DEVELOPMENT OF THE DEPARTMENTS ACCORDING TO THE ANNUAL PLAN 2020**

One of the goals of KAS is the continuous increase of professional capacities according to the standards and methodologies required by Eurostat. This departmental development will be done in accordance with the KAS development plan and dissemination policies for: increasing the number and quality of official statistics by avoiding all possible errors in KAS publications; further development of statistical methodologies and technology; development of standardization policies and support to experiences gained with international experts for the implementation of these standards.

The following are the departmental road processes in 2020.

### **3.1 Department for Policies, Planning, Coordination and Communication**

The Department's duties and responsibilities are outlined in the Regulation on internal reorganization and systematization of the KAS working positions. The main responsibilities of the DPPCC consist in the process of planning, monitoring and coordinating activities both inside and outside KAS. Develop and implement policies in the field of statistics, improve and enhance cooperation with local and international institutions, in particular with Eurostat, coordination (within KAS and the Kosovo Statistical System), monitoring of operational and strategic processes as well as communication with users of official statistics represent the main points within the responsibilities of the department concerned.

Data-based decision-making is one of KAS's goals, therefore providing information (analytical data) to the KAS Chief Executive regarding the performance of production and support departments of KAS is one of the primary tasks of this department. In this context, even during 2020/2021, analytical data on the performance of data production processes will be provided through data from the SIPK system and other sources on the basis of which information will be provided to top KAS management.

Some of the most important activities that are expected to be implemented by the DPPCC in 2020 are as follows: Drafting the Annual Work Plan 2021, Monitoring the Implementation of the Programme of Official Statistics 2018-2022, Implementing / monitoring the activities within the national program of SAA and NPISAA 2020 in the field of statistics, implementation and monitoring of activities in the framework of the annual work plan of the Government (GAAP 2020) in the field of statistics, implementation and coordination of the strategy related to the agenda SDG 2030, continuation of monitoring of the implementation of the Action Plan for realization of recommendations from “Peer Review 2017”, drafting and issuing of press releases based on users interest, etc. As part of the preparations for the Census 2021, the DPPCC will fulfill its obligations under certain responsibilities.

Advancing a system of dialogue with users of official data in order to address users' requirements in terms of the quality and volume of statistical data will be part of the DPPCC road process in 2020.

### 3.2 Department of National Accounts

The Department of National Accounts (DNA) consists of two divisions: the Division of National Accounts and the Division of Informal Economy and Government Accounts.

Concerning the actions in 2020, the department has the following priorities: revising the time series of national accounts (Gross Domestic Product on an annual basis, by production and expenditure approach at current and constant prices in 2008-2019) and Gross Domestic Product on a quarterly basis by production and expenditure approach at current and constant prices in 2010-2019; shortening the deadline for publications; increasing the number of Gross Domestic Product tables for the ESA2010 transmission program; implementation of National Accounting methodology on annual and quarterly basis according to ESA 2010 and SNA 2008; estimating quarterly GDP at current and constant prices in A10 format (same format as annual GDP), seasonal adjustments (seasonal effects measurement) in GDP and chain effects; creation of SDMX database (data transmission using SDMX-RI tools); compilation of sector accounts; compilation of national accounts by SUT tables; compilation of regional national accounts; launch of new publications; transmission of data to Eurostat for Government Accounts (increasing the number of tables); the inclusion of the results of the Informal Economy Survey in GDP data (quarterly and annual), the measurement of the informal economy in new activities and their inclusion in GDP data; Completion of IPA 2015 (MB) pilot projects with specific field projects, IMF technical assistance to Government Finance Statistics, and launch of activities under Technical Assistance with the IPA National Project on National Accounts and within the framework of the Sida-EU National Accounts Project.

Below is the list of publications by the Department of National Accounts in 2020.

Month of release	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Government Accounts			Q4/2019			Annual 2020 Q1/2020			Q2/2020			Q3/2020
Gross Domestic Product (GDP) - expenditure & production approach, annual, time series review									2008-2019			
Quarterly GDP – expenditure and production approach				Q4/2019		Q1/2020			Q2/2020			Q3/2020

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For the preparation of publications of the Department of National Accounts, several stages of work are involved: data collection, data entry, data evaluation, data processing and analysis, preparation and publication of results, and road process is presented in the table above.

In 2020 the following activities are planned:

- Under IPA 2017 (MB)\* - Multi-beneficiary Statistical Cooperation Programme, in 2020 these national account projects are under process;
- Government finance statistics (GFS/EDP);
- National Accounts Methodology (NAM);
- Eurostat annual, quarterly National Accounts data transmission program and quality reporting;
- Sectorial accounts;
- Regional accounts;
- Identification of data source for calculation of indicators for macroeconomic reconciliation systems;
- SUT / IOT project (supply-use tables);
- Measuring the informal economy.

### **3.3 Department of Economic Statistics**

The Department of Economic Statistics (DES) consists of two divisions: the Division of Price Statistics and the Division of Enterprise Statistics and Kosovo International Trade Statistics.

In the plan for 2020, the department has the following priorities: start collecting data electronically, shorten the deadline for publication of all publications (monthly, quarterly, and yearly); launching new quarterly publications, transmitting data to Eurostat (increasing the number of tables) on transport, tourism and energy statistics; improving the quality of the Business Register; improving short-term tourism statistics; improving short-term transport statistics; improving price statistics; activities for carrying out the IPA 2017 (MB) pilot projects with specific projects in the relevant fields. Continuation of activities under the Technical Assistance of the IPA National Project on Economic Statistics.



Below is the list of publications by the Department of Economic Statistics in 2020.

Month of release	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Kosovo International Trade Statistics	Dec 2019	Jan 2020	Feb 2020	Mar 2020	Apr 2020	May 2020 & 2019 annual	June 2020	July 2020	Aug 2020	Sept 2020	Oct 2020	Nov 2020
Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	Dec 2019	Jan 2020	Feb 2020	Mar 2020	Apr 2020	May 2020 & 2019 annual	June 2020	July 2020	Aug 2020	Sept 2020	Oct 2020	Nov 2020
Hotel Statistics			Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020
Import Price Index			Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020
Energy Balance in Kosovo		Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020	
Producer Price Index			Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020
Statistical Repertoire of Enterprises	Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020		
Transport Statistics	Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020		
Results of the Structural Enterprises Survey												2019 annual
Construction Cost Index			Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020
Quarterly Statistics for Industry			Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020
Quarterly Statistics for Retail Trade			Q4 /2019			Q1 /2020			Q2 /2020			Q3 /2020
PRODCOM Survey Results												2019 annual
ICT usage in enterprises											2019 annual	
Results of the Enterprise InvesQent Survey		2018 annual										2019 annual

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For the preparation of publications of the Department of Economic Statistics, several stages of work are involved: sampling, surveying / data collection, logical control, data entry, processing, analysis and publication of data, and road process is indicated in the table above.

In 2020 the following activities are planned to be carried out in terms of economic statistics:

Within IPA 2017 (MB) - Multi-beneficiary Statistical Cooperation Programme IPA 2017:

- Purchasing Power Parity;
- Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices;
- Statistical Business Register;
- Short-term Enterprise Statistics; preparation for FRIBS (Framework regulation integrating business statistics);
- Structural Enterprise Statistics and Enterprise Demographics

- Kosovo International Trade Statistics in Goods, and
- Research and Development Statistics - R&D (Research and Development) and GBAORD (Government Budget Appropriations or Outlays for Research and Development).

### 3.4 Department of Social Statistics

Within the Department of Social Statistics (DSS) there are two divisions: the Division of Social Statistics and the Division of Population Statistics which are responsible for the production of social statistics and population statistics.

In the program in 2020, DSS has the following priorities:

- Preparations for the project of "Population and Housing Census" which is expected to take place in April 2021. Based on Census 2011 experience and practices from other countries, in the first half of 2020 (01-30 April), the pilot-Census will be conducted where all instruments will be tested ranging from questionnaire, IT equipment, field work organization, training and tabulation of census results.  
Also, during 2020, many strategic documents will be finalized including forms / applications related to the Census 2021.
- Drafting of the "**Population Register**" is expected to begin the preparation of basic documents by the end of 2019 by identifying databases and some other modules expected to be linked to a database in which KAS should have access and is supposed to be available in the first half of 2021 (the project will be dependent on other central institutions of Kosovo).
- Conducting the MICS6<sup>1</sup> survey for the second time in cooperation with UNICEF will continue in the first part of 2020, with the Report expected to be published in the first part of 2020. This is the sixth round of MICS globally using standardized international methodology, for the purpose of informing the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda (SDG). MICS will generate data for more than 30 indicators of the 11 SDG Goals
- Improving data quality;
- Shortening the deadline for publications;
- Implementation of ISCED 2011;
- Implementation of the International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes;

The Department of Social Statistics will continue to issue regular publications according to the Publications Calendar 2020.

The following table indicates the list of publications expected in 2020:

Month of releases	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Okt	Nov	Dec
Social Welfare Statistics		Q4 2019			Q1 2020			Q2 2020			Q3 2020	
Labour Force Survey			Q4 2019	2019		Q1 2020			Q2 2020			Q3 2020
Wage Level					2019							
Education Statistics						2019/ 2020						
Birth Statistics						2019						
Statistics of Jurisprudence for Juveniles						2019						
Population Estimation						2019						
Death Statistics						2019						
Marriage Statistics							2019					
Divorce Statistics							2019					
Statistics of Jurisprudence for Adults									2019			
SILC									2019			
Health Statistics										2019		
Culture Statistics										2019		
Sports Statistics												2019
Women and Men												2018/ 2019
Survey on the Use of Information and Communication Technology												2020
Causes of Deaths												2018/ 2019

The following activities will be conducted out at DSS in 2020:

#### 1. Labor Force Survey:

- Surveying and re-surveying selected sampling households in the January-December 2020;
- Evaluation, processing and analysis of LFS data for Q4 2019;
- Preparation and publication of LFS results for Q4 2019, March 2020;
- Preparation and publication of LFS results for 2020 (annual publication), April 2020;
- Data Assessment, Data Processing and Analysis for Q1 2020, April, May, June 2019;

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<sup>1</sup> Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey

- Preparation and publication of LFS results for Q1 2020, June 2020;
- Data Assessment, Data Processing and Analysis for Q2 2020, July, August, September 2020;
- Preparation and publication of LFS results for Q2 2020, October 2020;
- Data Assessment, Data Processing and Analysis for Q3 2020, July, August, September 2020;
- Preparation and publication of LFS results for Q3 2020, December 2020;

## 2. The Wage Level in Kosovo, 2019

- Data Collection, Processing and Analysis, April-August 2020;
- Data Release, September 2020;

## 3. Statistics on the Use of Information and Communication Technology (ICT)

- ICT 2020 data collection, April, May 2020;
- Data Assessment, Data Processing and Analysis, June-September 2020;
- Transmission of ICT data to Eurostat, October 2020;
- Preparation and publication of ICT 2020 results, December 2020.

## 4. Statistics on Income and Living Conditions (SILC)

- Clearing the SILC 2019 Survey Database, January-June 2020;
- Field data collection for the SILC 2020 survey, May-June 2020;
- Analyzing, preparing data transmission to Eurostat and producing SILC 2019 indicators, March-September 2020;
- Data transmission (SILC 2019) to Eurostat, September 2020;
- Publication of SILC 2019 results, September 2020;

## 5. Jurisprudence statistics for juveniles

- Data collection for Q4 2019, January 2020;
- Data collection for Q1, Q2 and Q3 2020, April-December 2020;
- Logical control, processing and analyzing data for 2019, January-May 2020;
- Publication of the results of jurisprudence statistics for juveniles 2019, June 2020.

## 6. Jurisprudence statistics for adult persons

- Data collection for Q4 2019, January 2020;

- Data collection for Q1, Q2 and Q3 2019, April-December 2020;
- Logical control, processing and analyzing data for 2019, January-July 2020;
- Publication of the results of jurisprudence statistics for adult persons 2019, September 2020.

## **7. Education statistics**

- Education data collection 2019/2020, January-February 2020;
- Data processing and analysis, March-June 2020;
- Data release, June 2020.

## **8. Social Welfare Statistics**

- Data collection for Q4 2019, January 2020;
- Processing and analyzing social welfare data for Q4 2019, February 2020;
- Publication of data for Q4 2019 February 2020
- Data collection for Q1 2020, April 2020;
- Processing and analyzing social welfare data for Q1 2020 April, May 2020;
- Publication of data for Q12020, May 2020
- Data collection for Q2 2020, July 2020;
- Processing and analyzing social welfare data for Q2 2020, July, August 2020;
- Publication of data for Q2 2020, August 2020;
- Data collection for Q3 2020, October 2020;
- Processing and analyzing social welfare data for Q3 2020, October, November 2020;

## **9. Health Statistics**

- 2019 Health data collection, February-April 2020;
- Data processing and analysis, June-September 2020;
- Publication of Health data 2019, October 2020.

## **10. Culture and Sports Statistics**

- Collection of Culture data 2019, April-May 2020;
- Logical control, data processing and analysis, June-September 2020;
- Publication of Culture data 2019, October 2020;
- Sports 2019 data collection, May-June 2020;
- Logical control, data processing and analysis, July-November 2020;

- Sports 2019 data release, December 2020.

#### **11. Vital Statistics, 2019** (births, deaths, marriages, divorces).

- Data collection on vital statistics (births, deaths, marriages, divorces) every month, January - December 2020;
- Data entry, logical control, processing, analysis of vital statistics data (births, deaths, marriages, divorces);
- Publication of annual data on: births and deaths (June 2020);
- Publication of annual data on marriage statistics and divorce statistics (July 2020).

#### **12. Population Estimation 2019**

- Data collection on births and deaths;
- Collection of data on immigration and emigration;
- Logical control, data processing and analysis;
- Data release, June 2020.

#### **13. Statistics on Causes of Death in Kosovo in 2018 - 2019**

- Logical control, data entry, processing and analysis of Causes of Death;
- Preparation of final data;
- Data release, December 2020.

#### **14. Women and Men in Kosovo, for 2018-2019**

- Data collection on a gender basis within KAS;
- Collecting gender-based data from Ministries and other institutions;
- Logical control, data processing and analysis;
- Data release, December 2020.

#### **15. Other activities:**

- Development of a pilot Labor Cost Survey
- Development of the pilot Job Vacancy Survey;
- Development of pre-test and pilot survey of Gender Based Violence under project of IPA 2017.

### 3.5 Department of Agriculture and Environment Statistics

The Department of Agriculture and Environment Statistics (DAES) is composed of two divisions: the Division of Agriculture Statistics and the Division of Environment Statistics.

DAES is responsible for collecting, analyzing and publishing official, reliable and timely statistics on agriculture, forestry, agro-monetary and environmental statistics, as well as standardizing the production of these statistics with the EU.

Below is the list of publications from the Department of Agriculture and Environment Statistics in 2020.

Month of releases	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture		(2015-2019 Yearly)										
Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture		(2015-2019 Yearly)										
Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture		Q4 2019			Q1 2020			Q2 2020			Q3 2020	
Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture		Q4 2019			Q1 2020			Q2 2020			Q3 2020	
Water Statistics in Kosovo			2018 - 2019, Every 2 years									
Greenhouse Gases (Air Emissions Accounts)									2018 -2019, Every 2 years			
Agricultural Household Survey						2019						
Economic Calculations for Agriculture									2019			
Waste Treatment Survey										2019		
Municipal Waste Survey											2019	
Industrial Waste Survey												2019

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For the preparation of publications of the Department of Agriculture and Environment Statistics, several phases of work are involved: sampling frame, agricultural survey / administrative data collection, data entry, logical control, data processing and analysis, preparation and publication of results, and road process is indicated in the table above.

In 2020 the following activities are planned:

- Implementation of pilot projects under IPA 2017:
  - Agriculture Statistics (Crop, Fruits, Vineyards, Animal production statistics and Agro-Monetary Statistics);
  - Environmental accounts

### **3.6 Department of Methodology and Information Technology**

The Department of Methodology and Information Technology consists of two Divisions: the Division of Methodology and Dissemination, and the Division of Information Technology.

The following activities are planned in the Division of Methodology and Dissemination in 2020:

- Sampling for all surveys submitted by departments for statistical production and other researches/surveys in KAS,
- Sampling for the Labor Force Survey as well as the Agricultural Households Survey;
- Sampling for Statistics on Income and Living Conditions
- Sampling for Information & Communication Technology Survey
- Sampling for the Tourism Survey;
- Sampling for the Household Budget Survey;
- Sampling for additional surveys that may be requested by various international or local institutions;
- Calculation of weights for the surveys mentioned above;
- Re-evaluating weights for various statistical surveys;
- Continuation of the Metadata project;
- Management and improvement of statistical quality,
- Conducting a Staff Satisfaction Survey;
- Professional capacity building, metadata documentation according to ESMS and ESQRS;
- Documentation of all methodologies and their evaluations;
- Calculate and evaluate sampling errors for all other statistical surveys;
- Commitment to preparations for Census 2021 (pilot test and PES survey);
- Engagement in the MICS survey;
- The Dissemination Sector will continue to work with and support production departments in controlling and preparing all statistical publications by applying Eurostat standards, including the ISBN standard issue marking for all annual statistical publications.



- Publication Calendar 2020 will be a very important instrument, as the dissemination sector prepares and checks and verifies in the SIPK program the timelines of publications, based on the date of their publication by the heads of production departments.
- Informing users of the reason and delay of publications is additional information whereby this kind of information enables data users to be informed in a timely manner about the date when data that will not be published within the specified timeframe.
- The translation of all publications and official documents from Albanian into Serbian and English will be the work of this sector during 2020 as well.
- Dissemination of statistical publications electronically to users' addresses.
- Continuing quarterly and annual horizontal publications resulting from production statistics will be an ongoing process for presenting key data to users.
- KAS Statistical Yearbook, which is planned to be prepared during the first months of 2020.
- Catalogue of Publications 2019,
- Kosovo in Figures 2019,
- Quarterly Bulletin Q4 2019, Q1 2020, Q2 2020 and Q3 2020,

The following table gives some road processes of some publications.

Month of release	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
Statistical Yearbook						2020						
Kosovo in Figures									2020			
Quarterly Bulletin	Q4 2019			Q1 2020			Q2 2020			Q3 2020		
KAS Leaflet												2019
KAS Calendar of Publications											2021	
KAS Yearly Calendar												2021
KAS Catalogue of Publications			2019									

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In the field of Information Technology, the priority in 2020 will be Census 2021. IT infrastructure will be developed to assist at all stages of the Census 2021, especially new technologies that can be used for data collection activities, data processing and dissemination.

Digitization of data for other surveys will continue through the use of advanced field data collection systems, the CAPI (Computer Assisted Personal Interviewing) method and the CAWI (Computer Assisted Web Interviewing) method.

There will be further strengthening of the GIS system for the management of geospatial data as well as their use for conducting various field surveys.

The ASKdata platform will be promoted in other government institutions as well so that this system is not only a platform for distribution but also for data exchange.

Further development of the new website on the ASP.NET platform will continue, which includes linking to web applications, distribution of metadata according to Eurostat standards, ESMS format as well as development of visualization tools and creation of Infographics.

Implementation and integration of SharePoint into KAS, as well as further development of the Time Entry System (SIPK) will continue in 2020.

Statistics production departments will continue to be supported in data transmission according to Eurostat standards, the eDAMIS system.

### **3.7 Department of Surveys and Censuses**

The Department of Surveys and Censuses (DSC) is responsible for collecting data through economic, social, agricultural surveys as well as collection of other data required by KAS. This department will engage in raising quality during data collection according to criteria and standards, shortening the time in order to increase the quality and efficiency of data collection.

DSC has under its management seven (7) KAS Regional Offices. The Department of Surveys and Censuses has the role to manage and oversee the operational activities of KAS Regional Offices regarding data collection on the field.

The DSC in 2018-2020 has started to collect data with IT tools and equipment, where Tablets and Laptops are used with modern applications and programs, and data are downloaded directly to the KAS databases. The main purpose is the development, the quality and shortening of data processing time by departments that produce statistics.

In 2020 most of the surveys are planned to be carried out by CAPI method.

The DSC in 2020 in cooperation with the production and other departments will increase monitoring, control and supervision of works and activities during the data collection and data

processing in order to increase the quantity and quality of data affecting production of KAS reliable statistics for local, international institutions and other users.

To carry out the tasks and activities based on the dynamics of the KAS Plan and Programme in 2020, the DSC will prepare daily, weekly, monthly and annual practical reports on the progress of the tasks and the development of activities on a timely basis planned for 2020.

### **3.8 Department of Administration**

The Department of Administration is responsible for providing day-to-day administrative services to KAS, such as: financial operations, accounting, procurement, recruitment, ie procedures, personnel administration (attendance, removals, personal files, etc.), supplies, logistics, etc. Also in 2020 it will prepare financial statements, monthly, semi-annual, nine-month and annual reports; personnel services, covering welfare, recruitment and human resources management; procurement and contract management services (asset management, property management and logistics services). Within the Department of Administration there are one director and 12 officers.

One of the key points will be the implementation of the Annual Plan 2020, as well as the observance of all the procedures, respectively the legislation in force, in order to manage the above activities.

## **4. AREAS SUPPORTED BY DONORS**

Donor assistance has consistent impact on capacity building of staff and the improvement of statistical products provided by the Kosovo Agency of Statistics towards the institutions and users of statistics as a whole.

In the framework of support from donors, KAS has continuous cooperation with the EU, SIDA/SCB, IMF, UNFPA, UNICEF, UNDP, etc. Therefore the fields of cooperation will be:

- Capacity building and assistance in the field of the projects will be constant and of great interest for KAS. In 2020, donors will support staff in capacity building in many different activities, with a significant participation in all sectors of statistics. Continuing support to KAS staff to attend meetings, conferences, trainings, workshops, working groups, which are planned in the instrument planning activities, MC-list and ESTP catalogue meetings supported by Eurostat and other organizations for 2020.
- Coordination of activities on a monthly basis, for KAS staff meetings, the realization of meetings, approvals and activity reports, etc.

European Commission through IPA 2017 (planned for the period of two years) during 2020-2021 will continue to support KAS with 24 pilot projects:

**IPA 2017 pilot projects and implementation period 2019-2021**

1	Government Finance and Excessive Deficit Statistics
2	International trade in services statistics (ITSS)
3	National Accounts - Methodology
4	Transmission programme, annual national accounts (ANA), quarterly national accounts (QNA)
5	Regional accounts
6	Sector Accounts
7	Supply, use and input-output tables (SUT/IOT)
8	HICP and HPI
9	Price statistics - PPP
10	Business Registers
11	Short-term business statistics: preparation for FRIBS
12	Structural business statistics (SBS) and business demography statistics (BD)
13	International Trade in Goods Statistics (ITGS)
14	Research & Development (R&D) statistics and GBAORD statistics
15	Labour force survey (LFS)
16	EU-SILC implementation
17	Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics
18	Survey on gender based violence (GBV)
29	Agricultural statistics
20	Environmental accounts
21	Quality management
22	Implementing standards for metadata and data exchange
23	Source (basic) data required for the calculation of the macroeconomic imbalances procedure (MIP)
24	Reporting on horizontal activities

- Activities will continue on the realization of pilot projects by coordinating activities such as: ToR, contracts, invoices, reports and all other coordination aspects arising during the implementation of the IPA program in the full implementation of each pilot project.
- Coordination of activities with departments in the framework of sending annual data to Eurostat for many statistical indicators. Two rounds within the year "Data Collection".
- Coordination of activities with departments and CBK in the framework of collecting and filling data at modular level for SMIS + on an annual basis.
- Continue cooperation with donors and coordinate activities within donor-supported projects.
- Cooperation with departments and timely delivery of statistical processes.

- Coordination of statistical processes with EU and regional countries, their harmonization within the Strategy 2014-2020.

KAS has also a high support from various donors to improve statistical product processes. The table below shows the name of the projects under implementation, as well as the name of donor support:

<b>Donor-supported projects, which are in the process of developing and those continuing in 2018</b>	<b>Donors:</b>
Statistics in decision making	World Bank
Support to the Statistical System of Kosovo	The EU Office and the Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA)
IPA 2015 - Multi-beneficiary Program for Statistical Cooperation (professional capacity building of staff, long-term training, working meetings, study visits, training courses, etc.	Eurostat

## 5. CHALLENGES

The challenges that KAS is expected to face are:

- Implementation of the Programme of Official Statistics 2018-2022 (POS);
- Implementation of the National Plan for SAA in the field of statistics;
- Providing indicators, ie monitoring the strategy SEE 2020 and SDG;
- Continuous improvement of statistical data;
- Creating a unique statistical IT system;
- Implementation of the APAF Performance Assessment Framework (for some indicators);
- Data source framework, still insufficient
- Harmonization of statistics between KAS and ministries that produce statistics;
- Provide sufficient budget for the implementation of the Project Census 2021.
- Implementation of pilot projects IPA 2014 and IPA 2015, and projects with other donors.

## 6. DATA DISSEMINATION AND ACCESS

- Updating and further development of ASKD database dissemination platform will continue, as KAS's target is to continue ASKData in 2020 as the main channel for the dissemination of data.
- Providing statistical data on KAS website in PDF format, Excel for all statistical departments.

# CALENDAR OF PUBLICATIONS 2020

RELEASE DATE	TITLE	PERIOD
<b>JANUARY</b>		
10 January 2020	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(December 2019)
24 January 2020	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(December 2019)
30 January 2020	Statistical Repertoire of Economic Enterprises in Kosovo	(Q4-2019)
30 January 2020	Transport Statistics	(Q4 - 2019)
31 January 2020	Quarterly Bulletin	(Q4 - 2019)
<b>FEBRUARY</b>		
09 February 2020	Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q4/2019
13 February 2020	Energy Balance in Kosovo	Q4/2019
14 February 2020	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(January 2020)
15 February 2020	Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q4/2019
21 February 2020	Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	(2015-2019)
27 February 2020	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(January 2020)
27 February 2020	Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	(2015-2019)
28 February 2020	Social Welfare Statistics	Q4/2019
<b>MARCH</b>		
04 March 2020	Import Price Index	Q4/2019
05 March 2020	Hotel Statistics	Q4/2019
06 March 2020	Producer Price Index	Q4/2019
06 March 2020	Government Accounts	Q4/2019
11 March 2020	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(February 2020)
11 March 2020	Construction Cost Index	Q4/2019
13 March 2020	Short Term Industry Statistics	Q4/2019
17 March 2020	Short Term Retail Trade Statistics	Q4/2019
19 March 2020	Labour Force Survey	Q4/2019
20 March 2020	KAS Catalogue of Publications	2019
20 March 2020	Water Statistics in Kosovo	2018/2019
23 March 2020	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(February 2020)
<b>APRIL</b>		
02 April 2020	Labour Force Survey	2019
03 April 2020	GDP by expenditure and production approach	Q4/2019
10 April 2020	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(March 2020)

<b>23 April 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(March 2020)
<b>30 April 2020</b>	Statistical Repertoire of Economic Enterprises in Kosovo	Q1/2020
<b>30 April 2020</b>	Transport Statistics	Q1/2020
<b>30 April 2020</b>	Quarterly Bulletin	Q1/2020

## MAY

<b>08 May 2020</b>	Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q1/2020
<b>12 May 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(April 2020)
<b>14 May 2020</b>	Energy Balance in Kosovo	Q1/2020
<b>15 May 2020</b>	Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q1/2020
<b>20 May 2020</b>	Social Welfare Statistics	Q1/2020
<b>22 May 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(April 2020)
<b>29 May 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	2019
<b>29 May 2020</b>	Wage Level	2019

## JUNE

<b>01 June 2020</b>	Government Accounts	2019
<b>03 June 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	2019
<b>03 June 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	2019
<b>03 June 2020</b>	Import Price Index	Q1/2020
<b>04 June 2020</b>	Hotel Statistics	Q1/2020
<b>05 June 2020</b>	Government Accounts	Q1/2020
<b>05 June 2020</b>	Producer Price Index	Q1/2020
<b>05 June 2020</b>	Agricultural Household Survey	2019
<b>10 June 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(May 2020)
<b>10 June 2020</b>	Construction Cost Index	Q1/2020
<b>12 June 2020</b>	Education Statistics	2019/2020
<b>12 June 2020</b>	Birth Statistics in Kosovo	2019
<b>12 June 2020</b>	Short Term Industry Statistics	Q1/2020
<b>16 June 2020</b>	Short Term Retail Trade Statistics	Q1/2020
<b>18 June 2020</b>	Labour Force Survey	Q1/2020
<b>24 June 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(May 2020)
<b>25 June 2020</b>	Death Statistics	2019
<b>26 June 2020</b>	Energy Balance in Kosovo	2019
<b>26 June 2020</b>	Statistics of Jurisprudence for Juveniles	2019
<b>26 June 2020</b>	GDP by expenditure and production approach Q1 2019	Q1/2020
<b>26 June 2020</b>	Population Estimation	2019
<b>30 June 2020</b>	Statistical Yearbook	2020

## JULY

<b>10 July 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(June 2020)
<b>10 July 2020</b>	Marriage Statistics	2019
<b>24 July 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(June 2020)

<b>24 July 2020</b>	Divorce Statistics	2019
<b>31 July 2020</b>	Transport Statistics	Q2/2020
<b>31 July 2020</b>	Statistical Repertoire of Economic Enterprises in Kosovo	Q2/2020
<b>31 July 2020</b>	Quarterly Bulletin	Q2/2020
<b>AUGUST</b>		
<b>04 August 2020</b>	Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q2/2020
<b>07 August 2020</b>	Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture)	Q2/2020
<b>11 August 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(July 2020)
<b>14 August 2020</b>	Energy Balance in Kosovo	Q2/2020
<b>20 August 2020</b>	Social Welfare Statistics	Q2/2020
<b>21 August 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(July 2020)
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		
<b>02 September 2020</b>	Import Price Index	Q2/2020
<b>03 September 2020</b>	Hotel Statistics	Q2/2020
<b>03 September 2020</b>	Statistics of Jurisprudence for Adults	2019
<b>04 September 2020</b>	Producer Price Index	Q2/2020
<b>04 September 2020</b>	Economic Calculations for Agriculture	2019
<b>04 September 2020</b>	Government Accounts	Q2/2020
<b>09 September 2020</b>	Construction Cost Index	Q2/2020
<b>11 September 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(August 2020)
<b>11 September 2020</b>	Short Term Industry Statistics	Q2/2020
<b>15 September 2020</b>	Short Term Retail Trade Statistics	Q2/2020
<b>17 September 2020</b>	Labor Force Survey	Q2/2020
<b>18 September 2020</b>	GDP by expenditure and production approach	2019
<b>21 September 2020</b>	Kosovo in Figures	2019
<b>22 September 2020</b>	Greenhouse Gases (Air Emissions Accounts)	2018/2019
<b>23 September 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(August 2020)
<b>30 September 2020</b>	SILC	2019
<b>30 September 2020</b>	GDP by expenditure and production approach	Q2/2020
<b>OCTOBER</b>		
<b>02 October 2020</b>	Health Statistics	2019
<b>12 October 2020</b>	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(September 2020)
<b>16 October 2020</b>	Culture Statistics	2019
<b>23 October 2020</b>	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(September 2020)
<b>23 October 2020</b>	Waste Treatment Survey	2019
<b>30 October 2020</b>	Statistical Repertoire of Economic Enterprises in Kosovo	Q3/2020
<b>30 October 2020</b>	Transport Statistics	Q3/2020
<b>30 October 2020</b>	Quarterly Bulletin	Q3/2020
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		



06 November 2020	Output Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q3/2020
11 November 2020	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(October 2020)
13 November 2020	Input Price Index and Prices in Agriculture	Q3/2020
13 November 2020	Energy Balance in Kosovo	Q3/2020
20 November 2020	Social Welfare Statistics	Q3/2020
20 November 2020	Municipal Waste Survey	2019
20 November 2020	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(October 2019)
25 November 2020	KAS Calendar of Publications	2021
<b>DECEMBER</b>		
01 December 2020	Results of the Structural Enterprise Survey	2019
03 December 2020	PRODCOM Survey Results	2019
03 December 2020	Import Price Index	Q3/2020
04 December 2020	Hotel Statistics	Q3/2020
04 December 2020	Government Accounts	Q3/2020
07 December 2020	Producer Price Index	Q3/2020
09 December 2020	Sports Statistics	2019
10 December 2020	Construction Cost Index	Q3/2020
11 December 2020	Harmonized Index of Consumer Prices	(November 2020)
11 December 2020	Women and Men	2018/2019
15 December 2020	Short Term Industry Statistics	Q3/2020
15 December 2020	KAS Leaflet	
16 December 2020	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	Q3/2020
16 December 2020	Survey on the Use of Information and Communication Technology	2020
17 December 2020	Labour Force Survey	Q3/2020
22 December 2020	Causes of Deaths	2018/2019
22 December 2020	Industrial Waste Survey	2019
23 December 2020	Kosovo International Trade Statistics	(November 2020)
24 December 2020	GDP by expenditure and production approach	Q3/2020)
30 December 2020	ICT usage in enterprises	2019

## 7. BUDGET

For the mentioned period of Road Map for the year of 2020, the budget for KAS is as follows:

### KAS budget in 2020

Budget 2020	€
	MF *
Wages & Salaries	1,094,936.85
Goods and Services	3,722,623.00
Cost expenditures	21,875.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>4,839,434.85</b>
Number of employees	169

\*Note:

- The budget of € 4,839,434.85 is from the Kosovo budget approved by the MoF.
- The budget for the Census preparations of € 3,299,663.00 is included in the category of Goods and Services.

## Annex 1 – KAS Organizational Chart



