

Training course on:

Statistics, Knowledge and Policy: Understanding Societal Change

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Today you heard about why it is important to measure progress, and you saw some examples of initiatives that are already underway to measure progress.

You need to begin to work on your presentation. You need to build a firm foundation for what you area: what does progress look like and why is it important?

You could begin by looking at how your area is defined conceptually and the various elements that it comprises. Think too about why making progress in your area is important to the wellbeing of your country. Again think broadly: achieving progress in your area might be important in its own right. But it also has flow on effects to many other aspects of life that are important (for example, improving people's health is important because it gives them a better quality of life. But it can also enable people to remain in the labour force for longer, or reduce the burden on the health system).

You should prepare a 5 minute presentation on this and report back and receive feedback.