Coordinator Guide

PREFACE

The African Development Bank (AfDB) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) have collaborated to provide an Open Data Platform (ODP) for African countries and regional organizations. This modern data publishing platform allows National Statistical Offices, Central Banks, Ministries of Finance, and other official agencies to open their data to a range of users. The OpenData Platform for Africa has been made available to African Countries under the statistical capacity building program of the African Development Bank (AfDB).

INTRODUCTION

The ODP Country Coordinator leads cross-agency collaboration to ensure that the country's NSDP meets e-GDDS requirements on an ongoing basis.

AS AN e-GDDS COORDINATOR TO OPEN DATA PLATFORM (ODP) FOR YOUR COUNTRY YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE TO:

- Serve as the IMF's final point of escalation on all ODP issues for your country.

- Work with ODP Agency Focal Points to coordinate work between agencies within your country.

- Ensure NSDP links remain up to date and contributing agencies maintain their ODP dashboards and datasets.

- Coordinate the hosting and the management of your country's NSDP and how the content of the country's NSDP draws from the contributing agency ODPs.

- Ensure that all e-GDDS categories are disseminated on the agreed schedule.

This document will guide you through different tasks that you, as an e-GDDS Coordinator can perform.

> **HELP**: To help you easily navigate through the ODP site, additional and more detailed help documents with screenshots are available at http://e-gddshelp.imf.org/ .

MANAGING NSDP

The National Summary Data Page (NSDP) hosted on an ODP provides quick access to your country's economic and financial data consistent with the e-GDDS data categories.

It is arranged in a tabular format with one row for each of the e-GDDS data categories showing:

- Hyperlink to the ODP website or another national website where data for the data category are available (human readable).
- Hyperlink to a SDMX file for the data category.
- Hyperlink to metadata for the data category.

> **Note:** IMF staff has pre-populated the NSDP links for each of the data categories.

COORDINATING BETWEEN AGENCIES TO CONFIGURE ACCURATE LINKS IN NSDP

As an e-GDDS country coordinator, ensure the NSDP links on your country's NSDP are working and are accurate by coordinating with the focal points at each ODP agency.
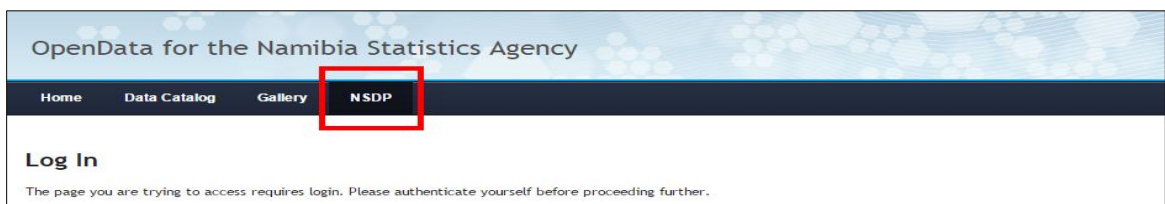
UPDATING AND PUBLISHING THE CHANGES TO NSDP

As e-GDDS coordinator for your country, one of the primary responsibilities includes managing, updating NSDP links and publishing the changes when needed, so the most current data for the respective e-GDDS categories can be accessed by the general public.

> **Note:** As the ODP Manager/Administrator for the agency hosting the NSDP also has access to make changes to the NSDP, allowing the e-GDDS Coordinator to delegate to the ODP Manager/Administrator the task of making the actual updates.

The NSDP is located on the hosting agency ODP portal. To access the NSDP for your country:
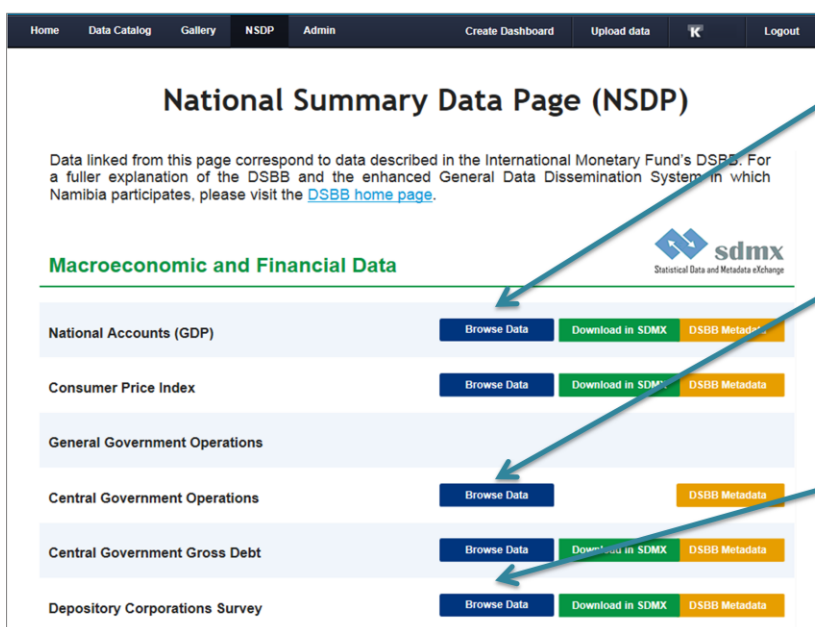
- Login to the hosting agency ODP portal with your admin credentials.
- Click on the '**NSDP**' on the main menu as shown below.

You can manage or update the NSDP links configured using the NSDP editor page which can be loaded using the '**Edit page'** option.

For more details on updating NSDP, refer to the [NSDP User Manual](#).

The live NSDP for your country may look like below example:

MONITORING NSDP FOR TIMELY UPDATES BY IMF

IMF staff will be monitoring NSDP using the below monitoring framework to assist the participating countries in implementation of e-GDDS.

MONITORING FRAMEWORK

- IMF will assess the country's progress against the core data categories taking periodicity and timeliness into consideration using the monitoring process.
- IMF will monitor compliance of NSDPs against a country's Advance Release Calendar (ARC), when applicable.
- IMF will inform the international community on a country's progress in transitioning to the SDDS through a three-stage path.