Thematic Table H: Knowledge Economy Indicators, Comparisons and Monitoring

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• The issue of knowledge economy indicators (KEI) is a cross-cutting issue for all KEN Tables
• Acknowledge the progress in KEI by various institutions (WB, OECD, EC, national level)
• Number of KEI has increased significantly, tendency towards broader capture of knowledge and composite/synthetic measures
• Economic, social and environmental indicators are being added - knowledge is aimed for people!
• The largest gap is evident in capturing and measuring intangible and uncodified knowledge
Data collection and improved quality of data for KEI is essential

Make use of existing public databases; minimize additional burden on firms regarding data collection

A focus on key indicators is needed to better inform policy makers

Different approaches to presentation of data to alert policy makers (standardized approaches, time distance, traffic lights)

Monitoring of progress with KEI and benchmarking not sufficient

Adequate policy mix and cooperation between different stakeholders in addressing major problems is needed to avoid the implementation gap