**«Effective Governance for economic development» (EGED) Program.**

In March 2023, within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of United Kingdom James Cleverly’s official visit to Kazakhstan, the memorandum of Mutual Understanding within the Effective Governance for Economic Development (EGED) program was signed between the Agency for Strategic Planning and Reform of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the British Government.

EGED program is being implemented by the British Government in the Central Asian countries with the assistance of World Bank. And it is aimed at improving the efficiency, accountability and transparency of economic policies in the developing countries.

Kazakhstan was not the participant of this program before, because it does not belong to the category of low income countries. Due to the initiative of the Bureau of the National Statistics of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the World Bank, the decision of including Kazakhstan to the EGED program was made. It was made with the purpose of exchanging experiences on various issues in the sphere of statistics on the regional level.

Nowadays within the framework of this program, the Bureau of National Statistics of the Republic of Kazakhstan is planned to implement the following measures:

* Realisation of the «Data literacy» initiative for the Central Asian region;
* Cooperation with the Statistics Office of the United Kingdom (ONS) on issues of increasing the competence of the management of Bureau of National Statistics of the Republic of Kazakhstan and implementing the leadership program;
* Conduction of survey on issues of trust towards the official statistics as part of the «Listening to Kazakhstan» program;