Sustainable Development Goals
Challenges and Opportunities for Implementation

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MDGs – Millennium Development Goals
http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/

FOCUS on Developing Countries

Millennium Summit (6-8 September 2000)

The United Nations Millennium Summit brought together 149 Heads of State and Government and high-ranking officials from over 40 other countries.
Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

UN Sustainable Development Summit (25-27 Sept.2015)
over 9,000 participants, including 136 Heads of State and Government, ministers, business leaders, and civil society
A/RES/70/1, adopted by UNGA on 25 September 2015

Focus on Universality: All countries
SDGs – Sustainable Development Goals

[Links to UN SDGs websites]

The universality: All countries (Rio+20)

**Country leads process** (GEPESD from Rio+20)

**Start with more vulnerable** (Leave no one behind principle – UNSG Panel of Eminent Persons)

**Not only for governments** – business, civil society, Academia (starting from Rio 1992, CSD, Rio+20)
The Process of transition

Millennium Development Goals

Sustainable Development Goals
The Process of transition – MDGs to SDGs

UN Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) - as implementation mechanism for Agenda 21

High Level Political Forum on SD (HLPF) “the home of SDGs”
Sustainable Development – the holistic approach
Rio+20 Conference

• 2012 – UN Conference on Sustainable Development (2 themes – GESDPE and IFSD)
  “Future We Want” (A/RES/66/288)
  Green Economy in the Context of Poverty Eradication and SD (GE – on national circumstances)

  Universality (All MS) – High Level Political Forum on SD (HLPF, NY) and United Nations Environment Assembly of UNEP (UNEA, Nairobi)

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SDGs – as a linked system

Where are we?

• Setting up the Indicators for SDGs
  *UNCS – March 2016*

• Transposition of SDGs at national level – SDGs national plans, reviewing the National SD Strategies

• Reporting mechanism to HLPF (3 years Ministerial level under the auspices of ECOSOC and 4th at HL under UNGA).
  • Regional level – UNECE (for Europe)
  • *EU discussions on implementation of Agenda 2030 at EU level (EU 2020, EU – SDS, etc.)*
  • *All other agendas – (esp.security) will take into account the SDGs*
Looking forward

• Cooperation
• Inclusiveness
• Start with more vulnerable
• Setting national priorities for SDGs
• Involve all – including you
Cooperation – Regional level

- Romania - Eastern European Group
- 10-Year Framework of Programmes on SCP
  - Member of the 10YFP Board (2nd Term – 2015-2017)
    - Germany, Turkey - WEOG
    - Romania, Albania – EEG
    - Rep. of Korea, Indonesia – Asian Group
    - Kenya, Nigeria – African Group
    - Argentina, Mexico - GRULAC
Regional Meeting for Eastern Europe on 10YFP
Bucharest, 9-10 February 2016
Parliament House
35 regional experts – 10YFP NFPs (Gov), StFP
UNEP Regional Director for Europe – Jan Dusik
Minister of Environment – Cristiana Pasca Palmer
Repres. of ministries and institutions – MoFA, MoEconomy, MoHealth, MoSoc, NIS, Stakeholders
Outcome – Non-paper/Informal doc. in Ministerial Conference Environment for Europe – Batumi (Georgia), 9-10 June 2016 (Greening the Economy – one of the theme, 2nd – Air Quality)
Cooperation – Global level

Romania

• Chair of Committee of Permanent Representatives to UNEP – Ambasador Iulia Pataki

• Vicepresident of UNEA Bureau – Minister Cristiana Pașca Palmer, MoEnv

23-27 May 2016

> 20 resolutions – 5 Clusters
Cooperation – Political level

- Romania - member of European Union


- European Commission – Greening the European Semester, Ecological Footprint, SD Indicators (Eurostat) – a Communication on EU Sustainable Development – in progress

Europe 2020 reviewing, SDGs on National Reform Plans
The Institutional Framework for SD - National level

**GOVERNMENT**

Interministerial Committee - all ministries, including NIS, NCP

Ministry of Environment, Waters And Forests – Minister is President of Interministerial Committee for Mainstreaming the Environment Policy into other sectoral policy at national level

**PARLIAMENT**

Subcommittee on Sustainable Development – under the Committee for Foreign Affairs

**STAKEHOLDERS**

- Academia
- Business (UN Global Compact Romania)
- Professional organizations
- Civil society (NGOs, citizens)
Interministerial Committee for Mainstreaming the Environment Policy into other sectoral polocy at national level

- Adopting the decisions required for coherence in the process of elaborating and promoting legal acts regarding environmental protection and sustainable development;
- Approving national action plans for and sustainable development;
- Approving programmes and plans to ensure the integration of environmental concerns into sectoral policies and strategies at the national level.
- Initiating discussion an collaboration among different Committees of the Parliament in order to share and support specific initiatives on SD for integrating sustainable development objectives in economic activities.
Interministerial Committee for Mainstreaming the Environment Policy into other sectoral policy at national level


2007- 2008 : NSDS
2008 – 2011: -
2011 (new Gov. Decision) – 2012 – 2 meetings
2012 – 1 meeting (no RoP)

2015 – 3 meetings (RoP adopted on 5 Nov)
2016 – RoP approved as Minister’ s Decision (Jan)
Febr 2016 – Re-nomination

7 March 2016 – First Meeting of the new Committee
-SDGs at national level
-Creating Cross-sectoral Working Groups (Green Economy, Eco-tourism, Education for SD, SDGs)
### Interministerial Committee for Mainstreaming the Environment Policy into other sectoral policy at national level

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