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Post-2015 Agenda

1. Declaration
2. SDGs
3. MoI
4. **Follow-up and Review**

➤ **Zero Draft** (Co-Facilitators, June 2015)

„A robust, effective, inclusive and transparent follow-up and review framework, operating at the national, regional and global levels, will *promote effective implementation* of this Agenda and accountability to our citizens “



Resolution 67/290, July 2013

“Decides that the forum, under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council, shall conduct regular reviews, starting in 2016, on the follow-up and implementation of sustainable development commitments and objectives, including those related to the means of implementation, within the context of the post-2015 development agenda, and further decides that those reviews:



Resolution 67/290, July 2013

- (a) Shall be *voluntary*, while *encouraging reporting*, and shall include *developed and developing* countries, as well as relevant *UN entities*;
- (b) Shall be *State-led*, involving ministerial and other relevant high-level participants;
- (c) Shall provide a *platform for partnerships*, including through the *participation of major groups and other relevant stakeholders*;
- (d) Shall *replace* the *national voluntary presentations* held in the context of the ... [AMR], building upon (...) experiences and lessons learned in this context”

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On Regional Review:

>> mixed feelings among UN Member States

>> flexible approach:

„We encourage all member states *to identify the most suitable regional forum in which to engage,* using existing regional mechanisms incl. UN regional commissions where possible.“

Building blocks for a voluntary, universal, periodic, state-led, participatory, multi-tiered Post-2015 review process

NATIONAL

national sustainable development strategy/plan
translate global targets into national targets with adequate differentiation

global commitments
review commitments with regard to global issues and need for/supply of means of implementation

policy framework
review policies, structures and processes

outcomes and lessons learned
review annual progress and create knowledge on real-world implementation impact

- annual progress report
- whole-of-government body on SD
- Parliament, e.g. parliamentary body on SD
- local authorities, cities etc.
- national SD councils or similar bodies
- national statistical office and data
- multi-stakeholder dialogues, citizen reviews and participatory monitoring

REGIONAL

SDG trends
discuss local, national and regional trends, based on indicators, data and progress reports

policy lessons learned
mutual exchange of experiences with national-level implementation, best practices and challenges

regional issues
discuss and find solutions for regional joint challenges and transboundary issues

thematic focus issues
prepare input on HLPF annual thematic focus

- existing regional reviews (APRM, Asia-Pacific Forum on SD, OECD reviews, et al.)
- regional organizations (AU, EU, et al.)
- UN Regional Commissions
- regional development banks

GLOBAL

SDG trends
review global trends, progress and challenges, based on indicators, data and progress reports

country experiences with implementation
mutual exchange of experiences with national-level implementation, best practices and challenges

means of implementation and partnerships
review commitments, needs and implementation experiences, incl. through multi-stakeholder partnerships

thematic focus issues
discuss annual thematic focus issues

UN system entities
fit for purpose?

- Global Sustainable Development Trends Report
- Global Sustainable Development Report
- Development Cooperation Forum, Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation, OECD-DAC Review, et al.
- UN system reviews and reports (AMR, UNFCCC, UPR, WTO trade review, et al.)
- Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review and UN entity reports
- reports of partnerships and private sector, major groups and other stakeholders

Building on:

Source:
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Leading by example ...

ESDN could develop prototype multi-level & regional review

- *participatory* review process at national and regional levels
- *institutional provisions* for preparatory and follow-up process (European SD Council /Network?)
- *link* with relevant existing institutions, reviews and reports
- *content*: peer learning
 - discuss data on indicators and analyze trends
 - identify frontrunner ideas, best practices, policies (also to be presented at HLPF),
 - discuss challenges, trade-offs and motivate laggards,
 - discuss regional and transboundary issues,
 - prepare input for annual thematic focus/review of HLPF
- *Communicate* results & *push* for follow-up
- *support* for countries presenting at HLPF review

Leading by example ...

UNSG Ban Ki-Moon on G7-Summit Elmau, Germany

“As G7 countries gather in Upper Bavaria, they should uphold their political and moral responsibility to lead. Not by imposing a set of policies for the world to follow, but by *demonstrating that it is politically possible and economically viable* to chart a new way towards a better, more sustainable future for people and the planet.”



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