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Achieving the SDGs through a Sustainable and Just Transition: Challenges and responses to Covid-19

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SIX STRATEGIC PRIORITIES OF THE FRENCH SDG ROADMAP

« leave no one behind », fighting inequalities and discrimination

Low Carbon and resource efficient patterns of consumption and production

Renewing development and international solidarity policies

Education and trainings, to change behaviours

Local implementation: experimentation, innovation, participation

Access to Healthcare, Health-Environment, and sustainable food/agriculture
Immediate budgetary measures to support health, growth and jobs

(in line with the guidelines set out in the Commission Communication on a coordinated economic response to the COVID-19 outbreak)

- the funding of **partial unemployment scheme** (for 1,1% of GDP)
- the **strengthening of health care services**, health insurance allowances and compensation of healthcare personnel (0,4% of GDP);
- the creation of a solidarity fund to provide direct **support to small and very small enterprises**, as well as those self-employed (0,3% of GDP)

- tax and social charges deferrals for companies, accelerated refund of tax and VAT credit, creation of a dedicated reserve for direct support to strategic companies via equity investment and loan guarantees
The Health « Ségur »

A broad **300-stakeholder consultation** gathered until mid-July to redefine public health policies according to 4 pillars:

- n°1: Transforming jobs and upgrading healthcare workers;
- n°2: Defining a new investment and funding policy in the service of care;
- n°3: Radically simplifying hospital teams’ organizations and day life;
- n°4: Bringing together health actors at local level in the service of users

The Citizens Convention for climate

150 propositions from 150 citizens who have worked for months on climate propositions
Health, international solidarity and Africa

France will advocate for the anti-Covid immunization to be a world public good

- 1.2 billion euros to fighting the COVID-19 transmission in the most vulnerable countries (a majority of which are located in Africa)
- International 18 European and African chiefs of state or government initiative to help Africa

“Learning Nation”, ensuring the pedagogical continuity

- Internet platforms set to ensure the pedagogical continuity during the lockdown
- a 15-million € plan to fight the digital divide gap in underprivileged districts
- Partnerships on school programs broadcasting with audiovisual operators
The Car industry economic support plan goes with social and environmental conditions.

- renewing the French car fleet with incentives for clean vehicles
- Investing and innovating in tomorrow’s vehicles
- Supporting companies facing difficulties and protecting jobs

Same goes with the plane industry plan.

Bike plan

a 60 millions € plan to subsidize the repairing of used bikes, to help local authorities finance new infrastructures and to facilitate training to safe riding.
**Main messages**

- First immediate measures contribute to most SDGs and to the French SDG roadmap
- Short- and long-term investments in the health sector and a 300-stakeholder consultation the “Ségur” of Health
- Economic support goes together with social and environmental conditionalities
- A complete recovery plan expected for the end of August
- A international experts Commission set to reflect on long-term challenges (climate, inequalities, aging population)
- Advocacy for the anti-Covid vaccine to be a world public good
- Advocacy for a coordinated response at regional and multilateral levels
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