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Session on Sustainable Development Goals and
the Post-2015 Development Agenda:
An Overview

Session agenda

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| 9:00 | Introduction to session |
| 9:10-9:30 | Presentation: Update on SDGs and the post-2015 development agenda
Q&A |
| 9:30-10:00 | Panel: Perspectives on SDGs

Jenita Badul, NDEA, South Africa
Nina Bosom, GIZ
Kookie Habtegabrer, WWF Intl.
Usman Iftikhar, UNDP
John Matuszak, World Bank
Asad Naqvi, UNEP
Katariina Vartiainen, MFA, Finland |
| 10:00-10:20 | Q&A and Discussion: Green economy, climate change and cities in the SDGs |
| 10:20-10:40 | Discussion: What role for PEP? |
| 10:40-10:45 | Wrap-up |

Presentation Outline

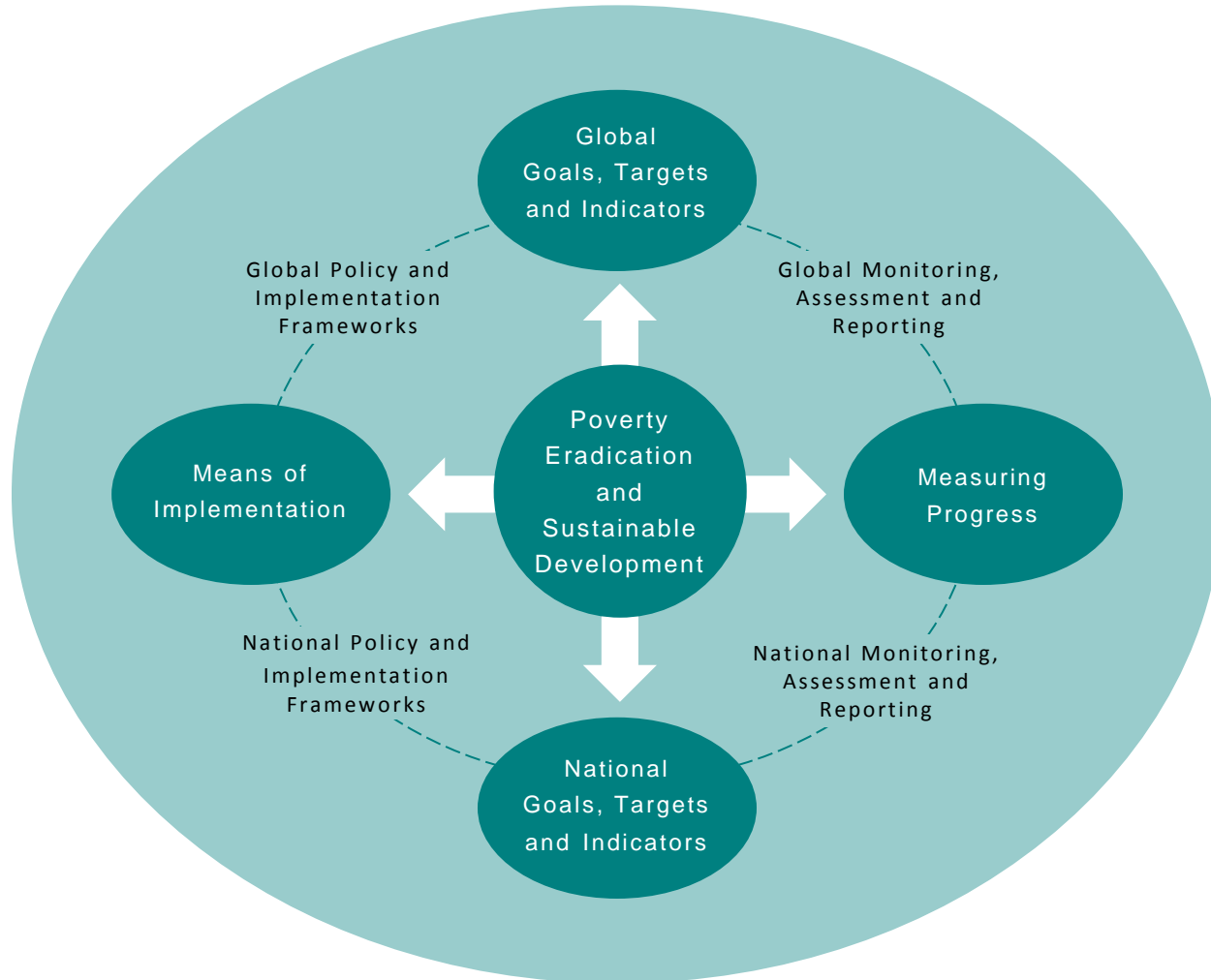
- I. Overview of process
- I. Status of SDGs (including green economy, climate change and sustainable cities)
- I. Roadmap to post-2015 agreement
- I. A role for PEP?

Part I – Overview of Process

MDGs (2000 – 2015):

- 7 goals + MDG8 on Global Partnership
- A North-South development cooperation agenda
- Some significant outcomes, but progress very uneven across goals and geographies
- MDG7 on Env'tal. Sustainability – little impact

Framework for the Post-2015 Agenda



Framework for the Post-2015 Agenda

Four key elements:

- **A transformative vision:** building on the MDGs and other internationally-agreed frameworks, the post-2015 agenda must aim to accelerate the shift to *sustainable and equitable growth and development pathways*
- **Goals, targets and indicators:** global and nationally-adapted goals, targets and indicators to provide strategic direction for action at multiple scales
- **Means of implementation:** policy and implementation frameworks to remove barriers and address drivers of sustainable and equitable growth and development at multiple scales
- **Measuring progress:** global and country-level monitoring and reporting frameworks to guide decision-making and ensure accountability

The Post-2015 Agenda – From MDGs to SDGs

Some core features:

- Universal agenda
- ‘Getting to zero’ on multiple dimensions of extreme poverty; tackling inequality
- More balanced treatment of social, economic and environmental dimensions of SD; address critical sustainability challenges
- Integrated agenda: linkages within and across goal areas

A Two-track Process

(1) UN-led post-2015 development agenda process:

- Launched by UN Secretary-General
- UN Task Team
- Special Adviser on the Post-2015 Development Agenda
- National and global thematic consultations; regional consultations
- High-Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (Report, May 2013)

www.post2015hlp.org

A Two-track Process

(2) Member State-led SDGs Process:

- Rio+20 mandate
- Open Working Group on SDGs
- Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing

<http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/>

Part II – Status of the SDGs

Current 'focus areas' (e.g. potential goal areas):

- Poverty eradication, building shared prosperity and promoting equality
- Sustainable agriculture, food security and nutrition
- Health and population dynamics
- Education and life-long learning
- Gender equality and women's empowerment
- Water and sanitation
- Energy
- Economic growth, employment and infrastructure
- Industrialization and promoting equality among nations
- Sustainable cities and human settlements
- Sustainable consumption and production
- Climate change
- Conservation and sustainable use of marine resources, oceans and seas
- Ecosystems and biodiversity
- Means of implementation/Global partnership for sustainable development
- Peaceful and non-violent societies, rule of law and capable institutions

Green economy, climate change and sustainable cities in SDGs

- (1) Overall vision/narrative; (2) goals, targets and indicators
- Green economy: growth/infrastructure, jobs, sectors (food, water, energy, cities/transport...), sustainable consumption and production
- Climate change: goal(?); mainstream through climate-related targets
- Cities: likely a goal on 'sustainable cities'

III. Roadmap to 2015

- OWG and Expert Committee submit reports/recommendations to the UNGA for review in Sept. 2014
- UN Secretary-General's 'Synthesis Report' in late 2014
- Intergovernmental negotiation process
- UN Head of State Summit in September 2015
- Monterey II Conference on Finance (?)

Five Key Issues Going Forward

- Goal architecture: How to construct a more integrated and comprehensive set of universal goals, targets and indicators – with sustainability and equity at the core – while keeping to a simple and easily communicable framework?
- National/local ownership: How to link global goals with national and local-level priorities and the need for policy space to define and implement national and local-level solutions?
- Finance: Reaching global agreement on an ambitious post-2015 agenda must include clear commitments on financing for sustainable development (including public/private and domestic/external sources); how to build a more coherent architecture for global development, climate and environmental finance?

Five Key Issues Going Forward

- Metrics and measurement: A post-2015 sustainable development agenda will require new metrics (e.g. 'beyond GDP') and mechanisms for integrated (human development and environment) monitoring, assessment and reporting...
- Accountability: How to ensure that effective accountability mechanisms for progress and performance monitoring are built into the post-2015 framework?

IV. What Role for PEP?

PEP SDG Reference Group

Some options:

- Making the case (evidence) for integrating poverty, growth and environmental sustainability agendas
- How to tackle interlinkages
- Implementation – from global to local