



"A Decent Life for All: from vision to collective action"

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Some post-2015 challenges

Broad scope – economic, social, environmental

*Universality – how can we frame an agenda
which applies to everyone?*

Implementation and finance

Transformation



The EU's vision is set out in....

Commission Communication, February 2013, A Decent Life For All

Council Conclusions, June 2013 – The Overarching Post-2015 Agenda

***Commission Communication, June 2014,
From Vision to Collective Action***



EU's priorities – from 2013

Basic living standards

Inclusive and sustainable growth

Sustainable management of natural resources

Equality, equity, justice, governance, human rights

Peace and security



What new Communication adds

Responds to evolution of discussions in OWG.

Sets out ideas on principles, (universality, transformative agenda, accountability)

Suggests priority areas for goals - plus possible targets

Sets out key issues for implementation through the new Global Partnership



Priority areas in the new Communication

- *Poverty eradication*
- *Inequality*
- *Food security, sustainable agriculture*
- *Health*
- *Education*
- *Gender equality*
- *Employment*
- *Growth*
- *Cities and settlements*
- *Sustainable consumption, production*
- *Oceans, seas*
- *Biodiversity, forests*
- *Land degradation*
- *Governance*
- *Peaceful societies*



What new Communication means

Post-2015 remains extremely important for EU - we aim for key role in negotiations

Successful implementation requires shared actions by full range of stakeholders

This is not our final word. Will develop more details of our position over coming months.

NB: This is Commission view – not EU – but will help strengthen EU voice in OWG and elsewhere



What happens next?

Zero draft of OWG Co-Chairs' issued in early June. Currently has 17 goals – 212 targets!

Promising levels of agreement on many issues e.g. basic services, gender, environment

But major disagreements on where main burden of responsibility for implementation should lie.

Main negotiations will take place in 2015, after UNSG has produced key report



Closing thoughts: the road to 2015

A good deal in September 2015 still firmly within reach...

...although still many differences to resolve, particularly on who should bear the main cost of implementation

EU will play major role, in pressing for sound agreement; in demonstrating best practice; and in building strong partnerships for implementation

Cooperation with civil society and local authorities is critical.



Next steps for you?

Civil society and LAs should continue to feed in thinking on goals and targets

But real challenge will be in implementation.

Your roles critical:

- in supporting local stakeholders to achieve goals and targets
- and in monitoring progress and holding governments and other implementers to account



Thank you