#### **UN – IATT Workstream on Capacity-Building in STI for SDGs**



## Session 1 Current approaches to STI Policy making in the context of SDGs

-Introduction of approaches to STI policy for SDGs

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#### The Sustainable Development Goals

- 17 global goals to eradicate poverty, protect the planet and ensure prosperity for all by 2030
- Accepted by all countries and apply to all
- **Everyone has to do their part:**

governments, the private sector, civil society

Not legally binding, but governments expected to establish national frameworks for their achievement, monitor and review

progress











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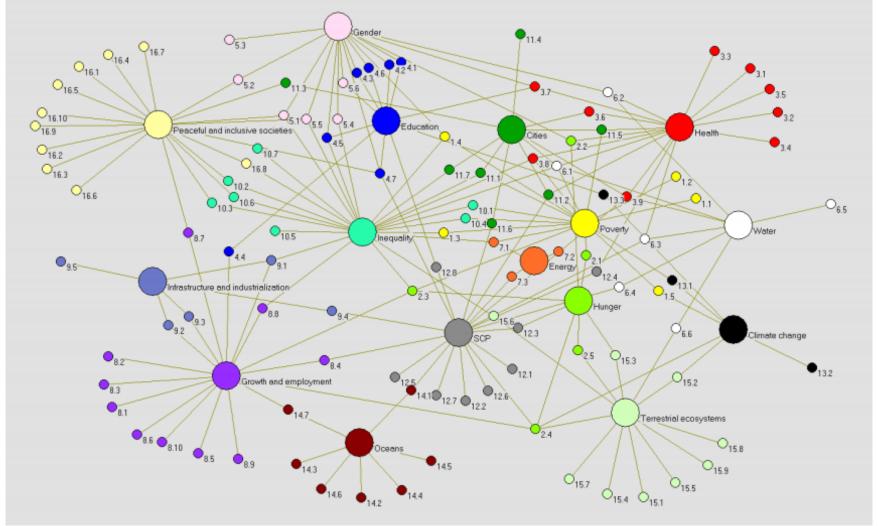






# Interrelationships between **Sustainable Development Goals**





Source: David LeBlanc (2015). Towards integration at last? The sustainable development goals as a network of targets. DESA Working Paper No. 141.

#### STI is systemic...

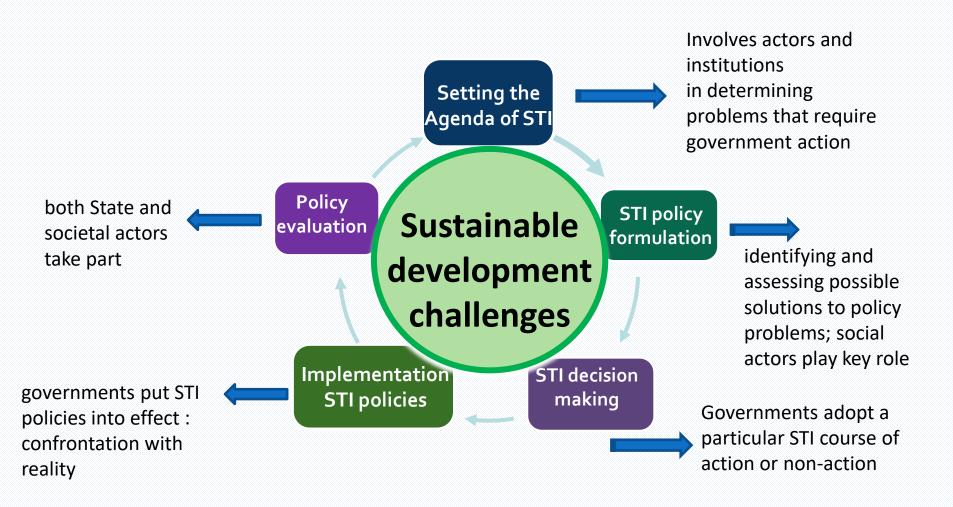
#### STI play a key role in achieving targets across all SDGs

- National (Regional) STI Systems
- Variety of institutions and actors
- Linkages and interactions

- Exchanges and flows
- Legal Framework
- Varieties of Policies
  - ✓ STI
  - ✓ Other

Time dimension: Where does a country want to be in 5, 10 .. years?

## **STI Policy Cycle: participatory processes**



#### What a STI policy might want to address?

- √ National development plans
- ✓ Broad goals: Developing research, innovation, science education...
- ✓ Key sectorial priorities
- √ Governance framework
- ✓ Legal framework
- ✓ Organizational structure (Institutions, Private, Public, Universities, non-Profit)
- ✓ Policy instruments, funding mechanisms
- √ Capacity building
- ✓ Regional and international co-operation
- ✓ Gender and youth
- ✓ Monitoring and Evaluation

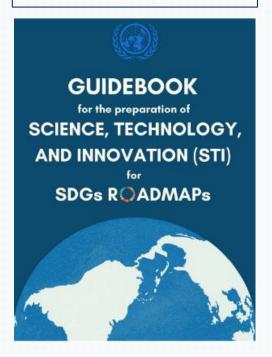
### Other strategic STI policy issues in context of SDGs

- ✓ STI from a national to an international perspective, cooperation
- ✓ Fostering multi-stakeholder partnerships for investments in STI for SDGs
- ✓ Transition to Open Science: Open Access to Data and Knowledge, Open Infrastructures, Citizen Science.. more transparent and accountable to society
- ✓ Science Diplomacy
- ✓ Giving directionality in STI policies to focus of STI related targets of the SDGs
- ✓ Inclusive STI policies, gender, indigenous knowledge
- ✓ Monitor and measure contribution of STI to SDGs implementation with improved STI indicators



### The UN-IATT Guidebook: example of framework

For each step the guidebook provides questions and issues that policy makers can consider while "roadmapping"



**Framework** for developing STI for SDG roadmaps as a series of six sequential steps



#### **Questions for thoughts**

- ➤ How to meet goals of environmental sustainability and at the same time economic growth?
- ➤ How to reframe STI policy from a unique economic rationale to SDGs perspective?
- What frameworks for STI are needed for inclusion in decisionmaking?
- ➤ What priority areas for action to embed SDGs within STI policy frameworks?
- ➤ How to define directionality and concrete mission goals responding to environmental and societal needs within STI policies?
- ➤ How to align STI governance structures to the global SDGs framework? (policy advice, steering and funding, co-ordination, and evaluation and monitoring...)

## Thank you