

2021 Questionnaire for the UN System SDG Implementation Database

BACKGROUND

The online <u>UN System SDG Implementation Database</u> was launched by DESA in 2018 to capture information from UN system organizations regarding strategic decisions, programmes and measures adopted by their respective governing bodies, as well as specific measures and actions initiated or planned by their Executive Heads in relation to the SDGs. Updated annually, the database currently contains inputs from 48 UN system entities. And it has served as an input for reporting to intergovernmental processes, including the General Assembly (GA), the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) and the UN High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) under the auspices of GA and ECOSOC.

On 25 June 2021, in an effort to strengthen the coordination function of ECOSOC to support the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, the GA adopted resolution 75/290A. Among the series of measures contained in the resolution to strengthen ECOSOC, a new Coordination Segment has been created to replace the Integration Segment and the informal meeting of the Council with the Chairs of functional commissions and expert bodies. It aims to bring together Heads of ECOSOC subsidiary bodies and UN system entities in early February to provide forward-looking policy guidance to the coming work of ECOSOC and to ensure coherence and coordination and give direction to the policies and normative work of subsidiary bodies and specialized agencies relating to the theme of ECOSOC, HLPF and the 2030 Agenda in the months leading to HLPF and ECOSOC High Level Segment.

The ECOSOC Partnership Forum has also been moved to early February to be held back-to-back with the Coordination Segment. It will engage countries, the UN system, including international financial institutions, as well as international organizations, parliamentarians, local governments, non-governmental organizations, the private sector, civil society, scientists, academia, women, youth, and other stakeholders and be organized in consultation with stakeholders and allow interactive discussions among all stakeholders on the main theme of the Council and HLPF. It will be focused on the exchange of new ideas, expectations and priorities for the work ahead for the Council cycle and HLPF held under the auspices of the Council. It will also discuss forward-looking actions by countries and all relevant stakeholders as well as innovative partnerships that can mobilize commitments and actions to advance the 2030 Agenda.

To more effectively inform the deliberations of the new ECOSOC Coordination Segment and the renewed Partnership Forum, DESA has updated the survey that feeds into UN System SDG Implementation Database and is inviting ECESA plus entities to share innovative policies and analytical work related to the 2022 annual theme of ECOSOC and HLPF "Building back better from COVID-19 while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development", as well as initiatives recently launched or implemented.

Please submit your organization's response <u>online</u> by 10 January 2022. Inputs received will inform an online visual dashboard and will be compiled into a document to inform relevant intergovernmental meetings. Selected inputs and initiatives will also be highlighted at the 2022 Coordination Segment.

Should you have any questions, please contact Ms. Lotta Tahtinen, Chief of Outreach and Partnerships Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals of UN DESA (tahtinen@un.org).



2021 QUESTIONNAIRE ON UN SYSTEM SDG IMPLEMENTATION

"Building back better from COVID-19 while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development"

(Please submit response online by 10 January 2022 at https://bit.ly/2021UNSystem)

- 1. How has the COVID-19 pandemic changed the priorities of your organization?
- 2. In 2020/2021, how has your organization endeavored to support Member States to build back better from COVID-19 while advancing the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda? Please select **up to three high-impact initiatives** to highlight, especially those that address interlinkages among the SDGs. How has your organizations cooperated with other UN system organizations in those efforts to achieve **coherence and synergies**? Information to collect for each initiative:

Name:

Partners: (please list all partners)

Relevant SDGs (select all relevant goals)

Member States benefiting from the initiative:

Description: Website:

3. Has your organization published or is it planning to publish any analytical work or guidance note or toolkits to guide and support recovery efforts from COVID-19 while advancing SDG implementation at national, regional and global levels? Please select up to three high-impact resources to highlight, especially those that address interlinkages among the SDGs.

Information to collect:

Name:

Publishing entity:

Language:

Relevant SDGs (select all relevant goals)

Target audience:

Resource description:

Website:

Cover image (optional):

4. How has your organization engaged with stakeholder groups to support SDG implementation and COVID-19 recovery at national, regional and global levels? Please provide main highlights, including any lessons learned. If your organization has established multi-stakeholder partnerships in this regard, please describe them and provide links to relevant websites, if applicable.

Information to collect for each partnership:

Name:

Partners: (please list all partners)



Relevant SDGs (select all relevant goals)
Member States benefiting from the initiative:
Description:
Website:

- 5. Following the adoption of the 2019 SDG Summit declaration (GA resolution 74/4), where Member States outlined ten priority areas for accelerated action in SDG implementation, please highlight any major integrated and innovative policies or initiatives that your organization may have adopted in the following areas:
 - 5.1 leaving no one behind;
 - 5.2 mobilizing adequate and well-directed financing;
 - 5.3 enhancing national implementation;
 - 5.4 strengthening institutions for more integrated solutions;
 - 5.5 bolstering local action;
 - 5.6 reducing disaster risk and building resilience;
 - 5.7 solving challenges through international cooperation and enhancing the global partnership;
 - 5.8 harnessing science, technology and innovation with a greater focus on digital transformation for sustainable development;
 - 5.9 investing in data and statistics for the SDGs; and
 - 5.10 strengthening the High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF).
- 6. In the lead up to the 2023 HLPF to be held under the auspices of the General Assembly (or 2023 SDG Summit), please provide your organization's recommendations on how to overcome challenges to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the achievement of the SDGs, taking into account the thematic reviews and voluntary national reviews conducted to date.
- 7. Please review your organization's information contained in <u>the UN System SDG Implementation Database</u>. If you wish to submit any updates, please share details below.