SDGs and Agenda 2063 Alignment

Workshop on Voluntary Local Reviews in The Gambia

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Background - Africa VLR Guidelines

- The Africa VLR Guidelines are the result of a specific request made by member States to the UN System for a tool to support VLR preparation in the region
- A commitment made at ARFSD 2020 to assist in the development of a **common guideline & template for VLRs** to ease coherence & enable peer review
- A need to further VLR production in the region and provide a common approach for local and regional governments preparing a review
- Foster local ownership, commitment and action on the SDGs and Agenda 2063
- Guideline produced together with UN-Habitat and UCLG-Africa

Africa VLR Guideline - a few Guiding Principles

- Find out where you are and define a way forward. VLRs are a tool for monitoring and measuring progress, but they are also a mechanism for planning local action. A lack of data should not hold you back and start with what you have.
- VLRs are a tool for telling your local story. VLRs allow local and regional governments to tell their story and present local priorities.
- VLRs represent a process, not just a product. The VLR is a process and not just a report and the process is engaging, participatory and unbound by a defined start and end dates.
- VLRs should promote multi-stakeholder engagement that incorporates principles of human rights, gender equality and leaving no one behind.
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Africa VLR template tenants

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- Practical
- **☑**Easy to follow
- **☑**Best practices
- Lessons learned
- **Guiding Questions**



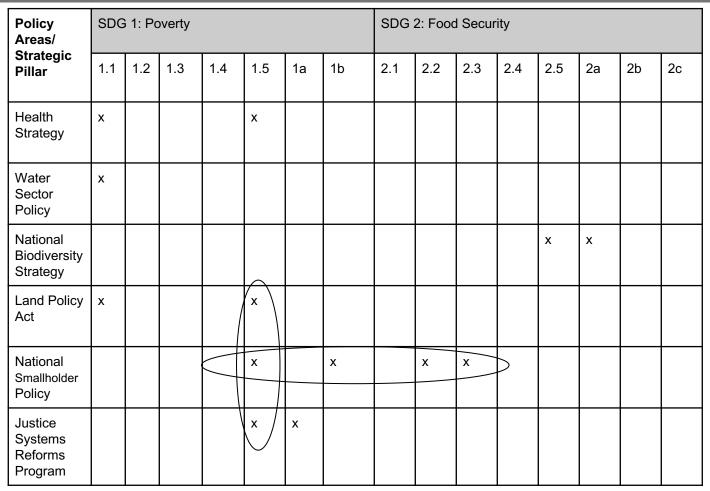
Africa VLR: The Template

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Phase I

- Methodology: preparatory work, literature review and visioning
- Institutional Model for leading review
- Stakeholder engagement planning
- Roadmap
- SDGs and Agenda 2063 Linking priorities

Simple mapping



Guideline annex - detailed mapping

Table1: SDG Alignment Table

Sustainable Development Goals	Local Sustainability Policy	Other relevant local policies?	Local initiatives and projects
GOAL 1: NO POVERTY End Pov	erty in all its forms everywhere		
1.1 By 2030, eradicate extreme poverty for all people everywhere, currently measured as people living on less than \$1.25 a day			
1.2 By 2030, reduce at least by half the proportion of men, women and children of all ages living in poverty in all its dimensions according to national definitions			

Guideline annex - Agenda 2063 mapping

Table 2: Mapping Agenda 2063 to Local Policies and Strategies

2063 Aspirations	A p ba	oros sed owth	atior percon i on i and ppme	ous / nclu d su	sive	,	le	An con poli unit bas idea Afri and visio Afri	Aspiration 2: An integrated continent, politically united, passed on the deals of Pan Africanism and the vision of Africa's Renaissance		Aspiration 3: An Africa of good governance, democracy, respect for human rights, justice and the rule of law		Aspiration 4: A peaceful and secure Africa		ıl	Aspiration 5: Africa with a strong cultural identity, common heritage, values and ethics	An Africa whose develop people of relying of potential offered African especial women youth, a	evelopment is eople driven, elying on the otential ffered by frican people, specially its romen and outh, and aring for		Aspiration 7: An Africa as a strong, united, resilient and influential global player and partner	
2063 Goals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	
Health Strategy																					
Youth Livelihood Strategy																					

Guideline annex - SDG & Agenda 2063 mapping

Table 3: Linking 2063 and SDGs1

UN SDGs	Agenda 2063 Goals	Local Policy Area/ Strategic Pillar
End poverty in all its forms everywhere in the world	A high standard of living, quality of life and well-being for all Modern agriculture for increased productivity and production Environmentally sustainable climate resilient economies and communities The life is a sustainable climate resilient economies and communities	
2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture.	A high standard of living, quality of life and well-being for all Healthy and well-nourished citizens Transformed economies and job creation Modern agriculture for increased productivity and production Environmentally sustainable climate resilient economies and communities United Africa (Federal or Confederate)	
3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages.	Healthy and well-nourished citizens Environmentally sustainable climate resilient economies and communities Full gender equality in all spheres of life	

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Guiding Questions

- Focusing on SDG priority areas, what existing sub-national strategies and local development plans are directly linked to sustainable development goals, targets or indicators?
- How have subnational policy frameworks been adjusted to align to SDG goals, targets or indicators?
- Are there other sub-national goals or pillars that reflect the economic, social, environmental, or cultural dimensions of sustainable development?
- How are sub-national strategies and plans linked with national sustainable development priorities?

Thank you!

