

National Commitments to SDG Transformation: 2024 Update

1. Name of country: Germany
2. Please provide a **short update on the steps taken, progress made and/or lessons learned in implementing each of the National Commitments to SDG Transformation** announced by your country in conjunction with the 2023 SDG Summit:¹

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Brief description of steps taken on implementation, progress made and/or lessons learned: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Germany has made significant progress in strengthening national policy coherence through interministerial cooperation. Fostering systemic change across several SDGs at once, the German Federal Government set up seven interministerial “transformation teams” to promote agile collaboration between all Federal Ministries. The transformation teams are based on the six entry points of the Global Sustainable Development Report. The additional seventh transformation team, called “International responsibility and cooperation”, highlights the importance of international cooperation as a lever throughout all areas of transformation. The transformation teams prepare the decisions of the State Secretaries’ Committee for Sustainable Development as the central control organ of the German Sustainable Development Strategy.• Furthermore, each transformation team publishes a “transformation report”. Five reports have already passed the Federal Cabinet: “International responsibility and cooperation” (July 2023), “Human well-being and skills, social justice” (August 2023) as well as “Circular Economy” and “Energy revolution and climate protection” (March 2024), “Sustainable Agriculture and food systems” (June 2024)• Transformation reports on “Sustainable construction and transport” and “Pollutant-free environment” are under preparation.• The reports highlight forward-looking political measures and feed into the further development of the German Sustainable Development Strategy.• After a kick-off conference in Berlin in October 2023, the German Sustainable Development Strategy is currently being revised in a participatory process. The German Federal Government prepared a first draft for public consultation (“dialogue version”) that is discussed and commented in a whole-of-society consultation process which started in May	

¹ All submitted commitments are available at <https://sdgs.un.org/SDGSummitActions/National>

2024. After incorporating the perspectives of citizens, civil society, science and the private sector, the updated strategy is expected to be passed by the Federal Cabinet by the end of 2024. The updated National Sustainable Development Strategy represents an **action plan** for a comprehensive national transformation, as recommended by the GSDR 2023.

- Keeping track of the development of the indicators and reporting regularly, including about off-track-indicators and publishing the Indicator Reports and respective data transparently by the Federal Statistical Office on its Open SDG based online platform for the indicators of the German Sustainable Development Strategy also fosters shaping of national policies.
- The **Transparency Portal** of the Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) serves as a great example of leveraging digital innovation and open data to provide immediate access to data on BMZ's global initiatives, streamlining information retrieval to a single, effortless interaction. The Transparency Portal not only reflects ongoing enhancements in data quality but also fosters improved collaboration within partner countries, facilitating the modernization of administrative processes through the strategic use of open data.
- The **incorporation of global SDGs into legislation** and policy programmes at an early stage and in all steps of the process of designing and drafting regulatory proposals has yielded concrete results in the form of numerous draft laws from the German Federal Government.
- The German Federal Government is taking further steps to further establish and consolidate this new practice.

**Please add a separate update for each commitment made. You can add more rows manually, or by clicking on the plus (+) sign that appears on the bottom-right, when the table is selected.*

3. If your government is presenting a Voluntary National Reviews (VNR) at the 2024 HLPF, **how have your announced national commitments been incorporated or otherwise contributed to your country's national review processes?**