One year of the SDGs

Where is the UNECE region?
Transition from MDGs to SDGs
2016 inter-agency report

- Goals to be considered as part of integrated development agenda
- Adaptation of global goals to national situations critical
- Focus policies on the marginalized and excluded
- Significant data challenges
- Coordinated UN support at national and regional level
SDGs: First steps
Regional SDG Survey 2016

- Seeking to build on **existing policy frameworks**, e.g. national sustainable development strategies
- **Review** of policies and strategies in light of SDGs
- **Inter-ministerial** coordination structures and ‘whole-of-government’ approaches
- Definition of **national priorities**
- **Adaptation** of SDGs to national and local realities
- Need for **advocacy** and **awareness** raising
- Involvement of **stakeholders** at all levels
- **UN system**: provider of norms, standards, legal instruments, policy recommendations and expert advice.

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UNECE and the SDGs
Sustainable Development Goals

1. No poverty
2. Zero hunger
3. Good health and well-being
4. Quality education
5. Gender equality
6. Clean water and sanitation
7. Affordable and clean energy
8. Decent work and economic growth
9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure
10. Reduced inequalities
11. Sustainable cities and communities
12. Responsible consumption and production
13. Climate action
14. Life below water
15. Life on land
16. Peace, justice and strong institutions
17. Partnerships for the goals

- No involvement
- Some involvement
- Medium involvement
- High involvement
Regional and global public goods

Examples

• 58 inland transport agreements and conventions
• World Forum for Vehicle Regulations (E)
• Global customs transit facilitation (TIR)
• Global Harmonised System to classify and label chemicals (GHS)
• 5 environmental conventions, 12 protocols (Air, Aarhus, Espoo, Industrial, Water)
• 480 standards and recommendations on trade facilitation and electronic-business (UN/CEFACT and EDIFACT)
• More than 100 international agricultural quality standards
• Global location codes for transport and trade (UN/LOCODE)
• International standards for Public-Private Partnerships (PPP)
• UN framework classification system for energy and minerals (UNFC)
Statistics (from Conference of European Statisticians)

- Assess **readiness** of countries to report on SDG indicators
- Identify regional **indicators**
- Provide guidance on national and subnational indicators
- Clarify setup of **reporting** on SDGs
- Build **statistical capacities**
- **Communicate** and **disseminate** SDG statistics
Regional Follow-up and Review
Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

- Recognition of **regional follow-up and review**
- **Avoid** duplications and heavy additional reporting
- Regional mechanism to **build on existing mechanisms** and integrate all actors
- **Added value** of regional reviews:
  - Peer learning and exchange of best practices
  - Identify regional trends
  - Address transboundary issues
- Regional reviews to **help prepare HLPF**
- **Regional Forum on Sustainable Development:**
  - Planned for 25 April 2017, back-to-back with UNECE Anniversary session
Regional Review

Reviews in UNECE Sectoral Committees and other UNECE inputs

Regional Forum on Sustainable Development

High-Level Political Forum

Reviews and inputs from regional UN system

Reviews and inputs from other regional and international organisations

Reviews and inputs from civil society and other stakeholders

National reviews and monitoring
Minsk: Laying the foundation

Minsk, 26-27. October 2016

The objective is to discuss visions for and approaches to economic integration and cooperation to ensure sustainable economic development and the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in all countries in the UNECE region towards 2030 based on peaceful coexistence and respect for international law.
UNECE mission towards 2030

To help countries convene, connect and cooperate on developing norms, standards and conventions to ensure the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development