IMPLEMENTATION OF THE AGENDA 2030 IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

Workshop on setting targets under the Protocol to support implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals

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• Implementation of the Protocol in the Czech Republic

• Institutional setting and process of implementation of the Agenda 2030 on national level and relevant interlinkages
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PROTOCOL

• Ratified by the Czech Republic in 2001, since 2005 party of the Protocol

• Institutional setting: main coordinator Ministry of Health (Council for Health and the Environment)
  • Task Group (Ministry of Health, Ministry of Environment and Ministry of Agriculture) established in 2002 is responsible for preparation of proposals for the national targets and its implementation

• National Goals under the Protocol (adopted in 2008 / 35 national targets, revised 2013 / 23 national targets)

• Later in 2017: Task group meeting to evaluate progress on national targets in the framework of the Agenda 2030
ADDED VALUE OF THE PROTOCOL

• Strengthening of intersectoral cooperation (health - environment, health - agriculture, agriculture - environment).

• Some issues suggested by the Protocol are not covered by any EU legislation or initiative or are covered only partially. It was the case of about ten original Czech targets.
Achieved targets (2013):
• Ensure approval of the "Plan for development of water supply and sanitation for the national territory".
• Establish bathing water profiles for bathing areas which will characterize the site and identify the risks of pollution, including corrective measures
• Update system database records of contaminated sites for data on POPs (persistent organic pollutants)

Major challenges:
• Despite significant reduction of the discharged waste water pollution, the problem remains the run-off of phosphorus and nitrogen fertilizers from fields into rivers and reservoirs which causes excessive development of water blooms formed by cyanobacteria and algae, and the deterioration of water for aquatic and recreational uses.
• Less available sanitation in small communities
• Contamination by POPs and toxic metal in water sediments
AGENDA 2030 IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC: FIRST ANALYSIS OF SDGS RELEVANCE

Relevance of the SDGs for the Czech Republic

- National agenda: 54
- International agenda: 6
- Both: 8
- Not relevant: 101

Demands for cross-domain coordination

- Sectoral: 51
- Cross-sectoral: 58

(109 nationally relevant targets)

Source: analysis of think-tank Glopolis (www.glopolis.org), October 2015
RESPONSIBILITY FOR RELEVANT TARGETS

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INTEGRATED APPROACH

• Institutional setting: Government Council for Sustainable Development under Prime Minister’s Office

• Main challenges:
  • Integrated approach demands strong coordination capacity (Centre of Government) and leadership
  • Universality of the Agenda demands awareness-raising among ministries which are not yet familiar with the topic
  • New way of approaching the vertical coordination (from local to global level)
  • Network approach to engage all relevant stakeholders – the changing identity of public administration
OUR STARTING POINT

Goals:
1: Poverty
2: Food
3: Health
4: Education
5: Gender Equality
6: Water
7: Energy
8: Economy
9: Infrastructure
10: Inequality
11: Cities
12: Sustainable Production
13: Climate
14: Oceans
15: Biodiversity
16: Institutions
17: Implementation

Source: OECD, 2017
THE CZECH REPUBLIC 2030

• Revision of the Strategic Framework for Sustainable Development (2010)

• Concept of well-being and sustainability as a central perspective of the strategy (OECD’s Well-Being Framework adapted for the Czech Republic)

• Integrates the implementation of the Agenda 2030, supports commitments of Paris Agreement, Sendai framework and other international agreements.

• „Umbrella“ framework for sectoral, regional and local strategies

• Identifies six key areas for the development of the Czech Republic and sets strategic and specific goals – cluster approach

• Global megatrends as context for development

• Participation and multistakeholder partnership as key principles in drafting and implementation of the document
STAKEHOLDERS ENGAGEMENT

- Ministries
- 9 Committees of the Government Council for Sustainable Development
- Government Council for Sustainable Development
- Other actors (NGOs, private sector, academia)
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COMPATIBILITY WITH SDGS AND TARGETS

- Leading role of the Government Office to ensure alignment of the SDGs and targets with the 6 key areas

People and society

Economic model

Resilient ecosystems

Municipalities

Global development

Good governance
SDG 3 ENSURE HEALTHY LIVES AND PROMOTE WELL-BEING FOR ALL AT ALL AGES

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People and society (5 targets)

• 1. Increasing life expectancy for all groups
• 2. Combating inequalities in health
• 3. Stable and generally accessible health care system with adequate quality and capacity
• 4. Support to healthy lifestyle through higher public spending with emphasis on primary prevention
• 5. Decreasing consumption of addictive substances and declining health risks caused by emissions of harmful substances and noise levels.
SDG 6 ENSURE AVAILABILITY AND SUSTAINABLE MANAGEMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION FOR ALL

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Resilient ecosystems (2 targets)
• Deceleration of water drainage from the landscape.
• Improving quality of surface and groundwater.

Economic model (1 target)
• Despite the impacts of climate change, high standard of water services and its accessibility is ensured

Municipalities (1 goal + 4 targets)
• Public services are accessible to all residents.
MONITORING AND REPORTING

Czech Republic 2030

• Biannual Report on Quality of Life and Its Sustainability.
• 180 indicators related to specific goals of the Czech Republic 2030
• Parallel process – preparation of well-being indicators (based on OECD’s Well-Being Framework – through 11 expert focus groups
• Revision (at minimum) every 5 years
• „Shadow“ reporting (NGOs)
• Voluntary Commitment Framework

Agenda 2030

• Voluntary National Report presentation at the HLPF 2017
• Regular reporting carried by the National Statistical Office
Thank you for your attention