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# The post-2015 development agenda process



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# Post-2015 Agenda: Setting the stage



## ❖ MDGs, critique:

- Focused more on least-developed countries
- Inconsistencies between goals, targets and indicators
- Population dynamics not accounted for
- Top-down approach, no consultation
- Statisticians not involved, data availability and quality, capacities of NSOs not properly considered

## ❖ Post-2015 agenda, aiming at:

- Open, inclusive consultations involving all stakeholders in addition to the UN system initiatives
- Global Goals, valid for all countries

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# Timeline of setting the post-2015 agenda



- ❖ Sept. 2010, UN GA requested to advance UN development agenda beyond 2015
- ❖ January 2012, UN system Task Team on the post 2015 agenda, composed of more than 60 UN entities
- ❖ June 2012, Rio Conference initiated a process to develop a set of SDGs
- ❖ July 2012, High-level Panel of 27 Eminent person: to develop bold, yet practical development recommendations
- ❖ Sept 2012, SD Solutions Network (SDSN), lead by Prof. J. Sachs
- ❖ January 2013, OWG on SDGs and Committee of Experts on SD Financing created
- ❖ 2013, UN GA launched a process of intergovernmental consultations

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- ❖ February 2014, the SDSN released its report for consultation
- ❖ July 2014 – High-level Panel suggestions
- ❖ September/November 2014 conclusions by:
  - Open Working Group on SDGs
  - Committee of Experts on Financing
- ❖ End 2014, a synthesis report by UN SG incorporating all inputs
- ❖ September 2015, High-level Summit to adopt post-2015 development agenda

# Post-2015 Agenda



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UN General Assembly

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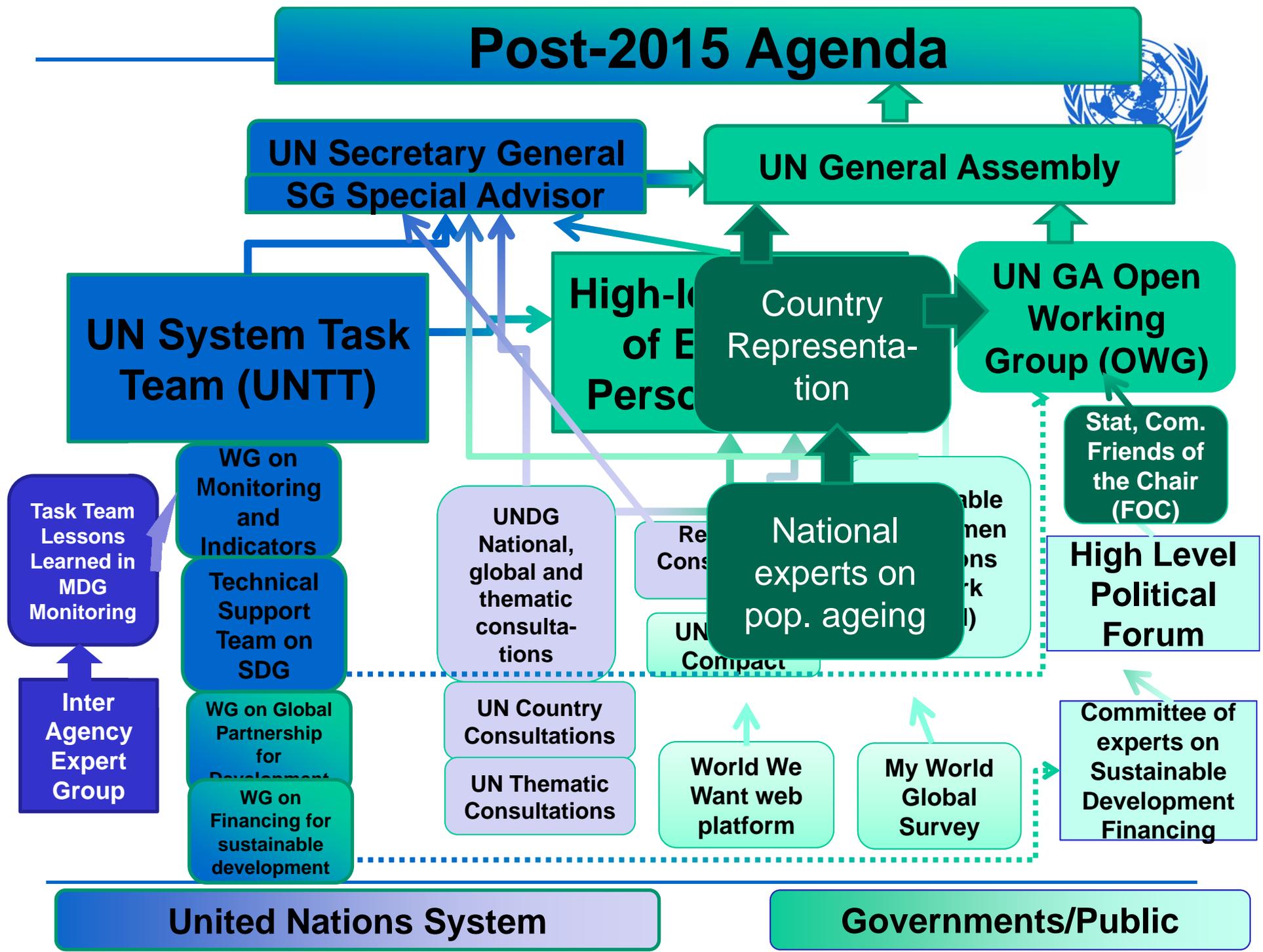
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# Post 2015 process & Ageing issues



- ❖ **Rio+20, “The Future we want” (June 2012)**
  - Para 144 “We commit to systematically consider **population trends and projections** in our national, rural and urban development strategies and policies...”
  - Para156 “We stress the need to **provide social protection to all members of society**, fostering growth, resilience, social justice and cohesion, including those who are not employed in the formal economy...”
- ❖ **Report of High-level Panel of Eminent Persons (May 2013)**
  - Offered a set of illustrative goals (12) and targets
  - Called for a data revolution with regard to:
    - ♦ Data availability and better accountability in measuring progress
    - ♦ Improve the quality of statistics and information available to citizens
- ❖ **SDSN Report: Indicators for Sustainable Development Goals – for public consultation (Feb 2014)**
  - Presents an integrated framework of 100 indicators within the framework of the goals and targets proposed by the SDSN in June 2013
  - Proposes principles and responsibilities for SDG monitoring

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# The consolidation is going on...



- ❖ In September 2014 the Open Working Group on the Sustainable Development Goals issued a revised set of 17 goals and list of targets
- ❖ These goals cover a set of issues that is similar to the goals and targets proposed by the SDSN, the High Level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda, and numerous other reports
- ❖ Mapping the SDSN illustrative indicators against focus areas identified by the Open Working Group is being done

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# OWG – focus areas (Sept. 2014)



- 1 **End poverty in all its forms everywhere**
- 2 End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture
- 3 **Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages**
- 4 **Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all**
- 5 **Achieve gender equality and empower women and girls**
- 6 Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all
- 7 Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all
- 8 Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all
- 9 Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation
- 10 **Reduce inequality within and among countries**
- 11 **Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable**
- 12 Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns
- 13 Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts
- 14 Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development
- 15 Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss
- 16 **Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels**
- 17 Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development