Cooperation between Government Authorities and Agencies to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals by the Republic of Belarus

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Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: Coordination Issues

National Coordinator on achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals – Deputy Chairman of the Republican Council of the National Assembly of the Republic of Belarus (appointed by the President of the Republic of Belarus)

Sustainable Development Council – advisory and consultative authority under the National Coordinator, consisting of the heads of government authorities

National Coordinator’s Tasks

➢ to analyze a progress in achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by Belarus and to submit proposals to the President of the Republic of Belarus and Council of Ministers of the Republic of Belarus on improvement of this activity
➢ to facilitate a development of state policy on achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, considering the national priorities in economic, social and environmental areas
➢ to arrange a coordinated cooperation of the government authorities and agencies on considering the Sustainable Development Goals in national, branch, regional strategies, programs and plans in area of development
➢ to be involved in monitoring and evaluation of progress of Belarus on transition to the sustainable development and submit proposals on development and implementation of sustainable development indicators
➢ to inform the public about achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by Belarus
➢ to be involved in implementation of international initiatives of Belarus on sustainable development

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Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: Responsible

- Responsible for implementation of the Agenda 2030 on Sustainable Development (Decree of President of the Republic of Belarus)
  - 30 republican state administration authorities, other government agencies (including Belstat)
  - National Bank
  - General Prosecutor’s Office
  - Investigation Committee

Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals will be performed and monitored considering the national indicators included into the national plans and development strategies.

Current state programs and strategies:
- National Strategy of Sustainable Social and Economic Development 2030 (NSSD)
- State Program on Social Protection and Promotion of Population Employment 2016–2020
- National Health Program 2016–2020
- National Education and Youth Policy 2016–2020
- Comfortable Housing and Favorable Environment 2016–2020

Branch programs and plans in relevant areas:
- National Action Plan on Development of Green Economy in Belarus 2020
- National Action Plan on Gender Equality in Belarus 2017-2020

Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: SDG Nationalization

Implementation of NSSD-2030 focuses on:
- elimination of existing disbalance
- establishment of a stable foundation for further sustainable development

Currently, NSSD is under harmonization with the Agenda 2030.
Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: SDG Nationalization

GOAL 1
End poverty in all its forms everywhere

GOAL 3
Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

GOAL 8
Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

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Responsibly customer – Ministry of Nature

National Action Plan on Development of Green Economy in Belarus 2020

AIMED AT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FOLLOWING SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

GOAL 7: Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

GOAL 12: Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

GOAL 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

Implementation of the Plan is aimed at achievement of the Sustainable Development Goal 5 “Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls” before 2030

National Action Plan on Gender Equality in Belarus 2017-2020

development of legal mechanisms on gender equality, including an improvement of legislation on countering domestic violence, state family policy

enhancement of economic opportunities for women and men

gender-oriented health protection

gender knowledge and education

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Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: Belstat’s Current Activities

Belstat

- Working Group on development of a set of the Sustainable Development Goals’ indicators
  - responsible for development of a set of the Sustainable Development Goals’ indicators in Belstat assigned
  - coordination of SDG indicator production in Belarus
  - dissemination of information and communication

WORKING MEETINGS, CONSULTATIONS

- with Ministry of Economy and other stakeholders
  - issues on availability of information sources
  - development of the system of national indicators
- with international organizations (UNECE, UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, ILO, FAO)
  - technical assistance in SDG adaptation
  - exchange of experience
  - statistical capacity building

Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: Statistical Capacity

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Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals: Challenges and Prospects

**MAINT CHALLENGES**
- lack of calculation methodology
- technical problems (technologies for web-sites, databases)
- lack of knowledge and guidelines
- data gaps
- lack of guidance on data flows at the international level
- data disaggregation

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**PROSPECTS**
- strengthening of various forms of cooperation for integration of SDGS into the national statistical system
- further development of the national SDG indicators
- obtaining of technical assistance on preparation of the national strategy and programs on SDG implementation

Belarus is one of 27 countries which independently has declared its candidate as a contributor during the High-Level Policy Forum “Eradication of Poverty and Promoting Prosperity in a Changing World” in June 2017 with presenting the national overview

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Thank you for your attention!