

2nd walloon SD strategy

Public consultation Outcome and lessons learned



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Secretariat general
Sustainable development department



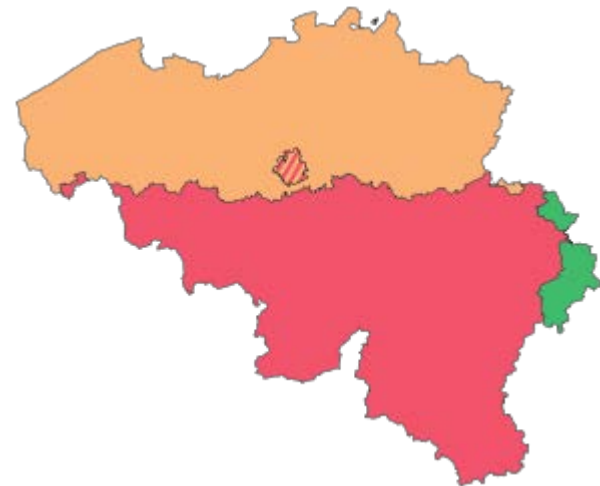
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WALLONIA WITHIN BELGIUM

- Belgium = federal state
- Federal authority
- 3 Regions



3 Communities



- Around 3,600,000 inhabitants
- 16,544 km²

WALLONIA WITHIN BELGIUM

- **Competences**
 - ✓ economic policy and employment
 - ✓ trade
 - ✓ tourism
 - ✓ applied scientific research and new technologies
 - ✓ transport and public works
 - ✓ housing and town and country planning
 - ✓ environment and agriculture, energy and water
 - ✓ health policy and social assistance
 - ✓ subordinated powers and external relations in all these areas
- SD like Environment is a shared competence
- No hierarchy between entities

THE SD DEPARTMENT WITHIN THE WALLOON PUBLIC SERVICE

Secretariat general

(human resources, structural funds, communication, transversal policies...)

SD
Departement

General transversal direction

(budget, real estate, ...)

DGO 1
Roads
Infrastructure

DGO2
Mobility

DGO3
Agriculture
Natural
resources
Environment

DGO4
Spatial
Planning
Energy

DGO5
Local
Authorities
Health

DGO6
Economy
Research

DGO7
Fiscality



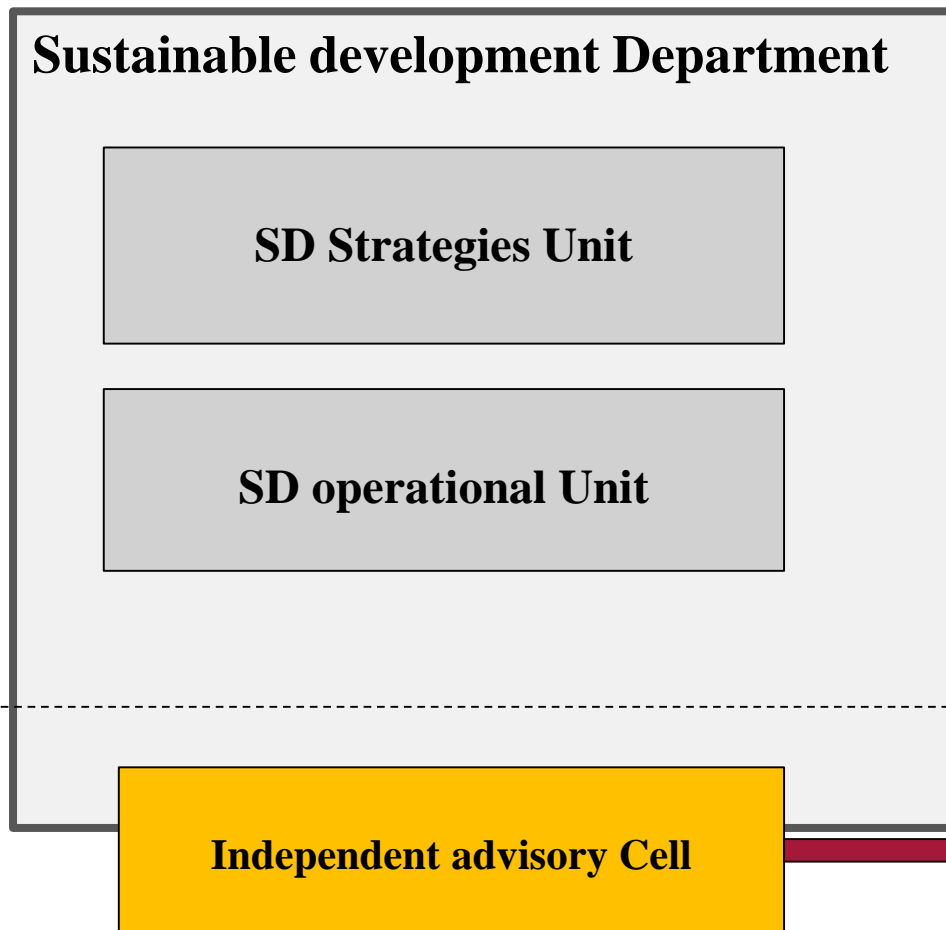
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WALLOON PUBLIC SERVICE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPEMENT DEPARTMENT

Structure



Missions

1. Support to the design and implementation of policies contributing to SD (a.o. SD strategy)
2. Follow-up and participation to UN, EU or national meetings and coordinations dealing with SD
3. Promotion of exemplary nature and best practices in public services
4. Implementation and coordination of Employment-Environment alliances
5. Advises public services or the Government on draft decisions or legislation as regards compliance with SD principles

DECREE ON WALLOON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY - JUNE 27, 2013

According to the decree:

- Adoption of the Walloon sustainable development strategy (WSDD) every new legislature (article 3, 1)

The decree defines a WSDD as follows:

"A guidance and actions document which aims to promote initiatives and coherence for SD in the public policies of the Walloon Region" (art. 2, 2 °)

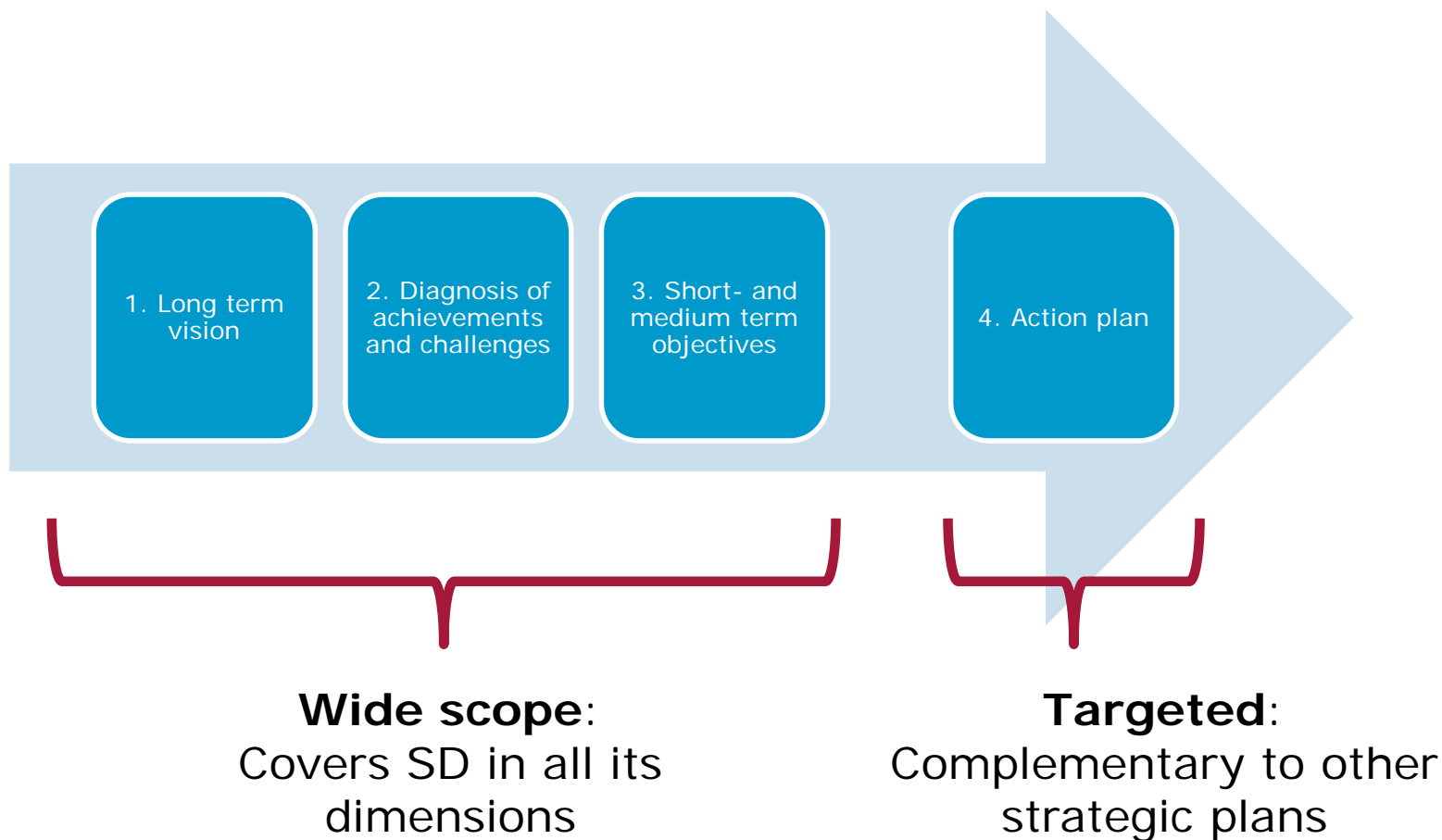


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STRUCTURE OF THE STRATEGY



GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR 2ND WALLOON SD STRATEGY

- **Implementation of the SDGs**
 - Along with other sectoral or global plans (complementary)
- **Demonstrate SD is a question of distributive justice in time and space**
- **Propose targeted actions in order to**
 - Increase resilience and efficiency in Wallonia
 - Increase capacities of local actors
 - Increase CSR of private and public organisations
- **Involve public => 2 months public consultation on draft WSDS (parts 1 and 4) + possibility to announce voluntary commitments or projects promoting SD**



PUBLIC CONSULTATION - STATISTICS

On line form

- 193 individuals
- 40 organisations

Email contributions

- 11 organisations
- 6 individuals

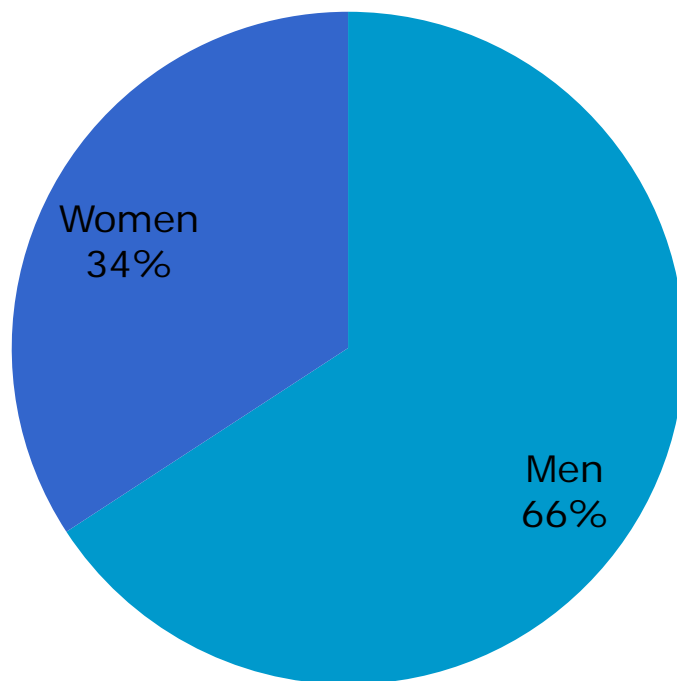


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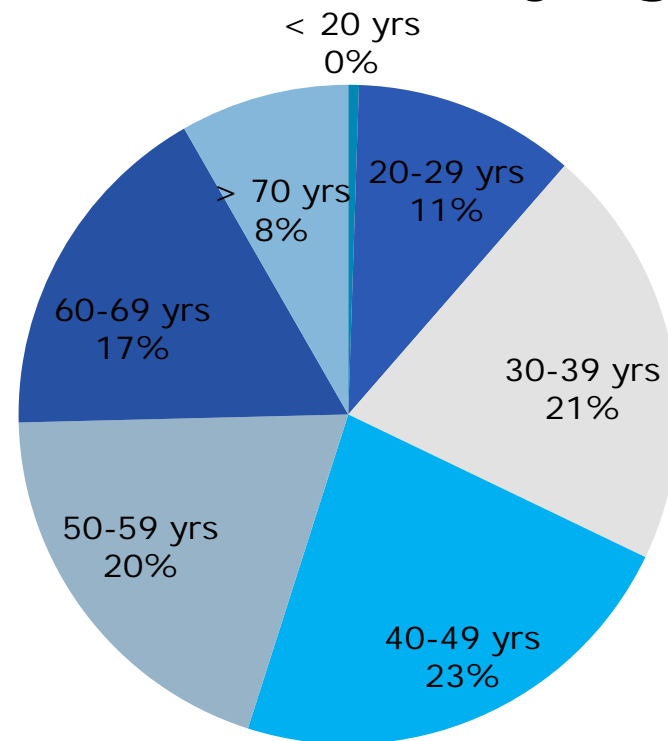


PUBLIC CONSULTATION - STATISTICS

By sex



By age



PUBLIC CONSULTATION

OVERALL CONCLUSIONS & LESSONS LEARNED

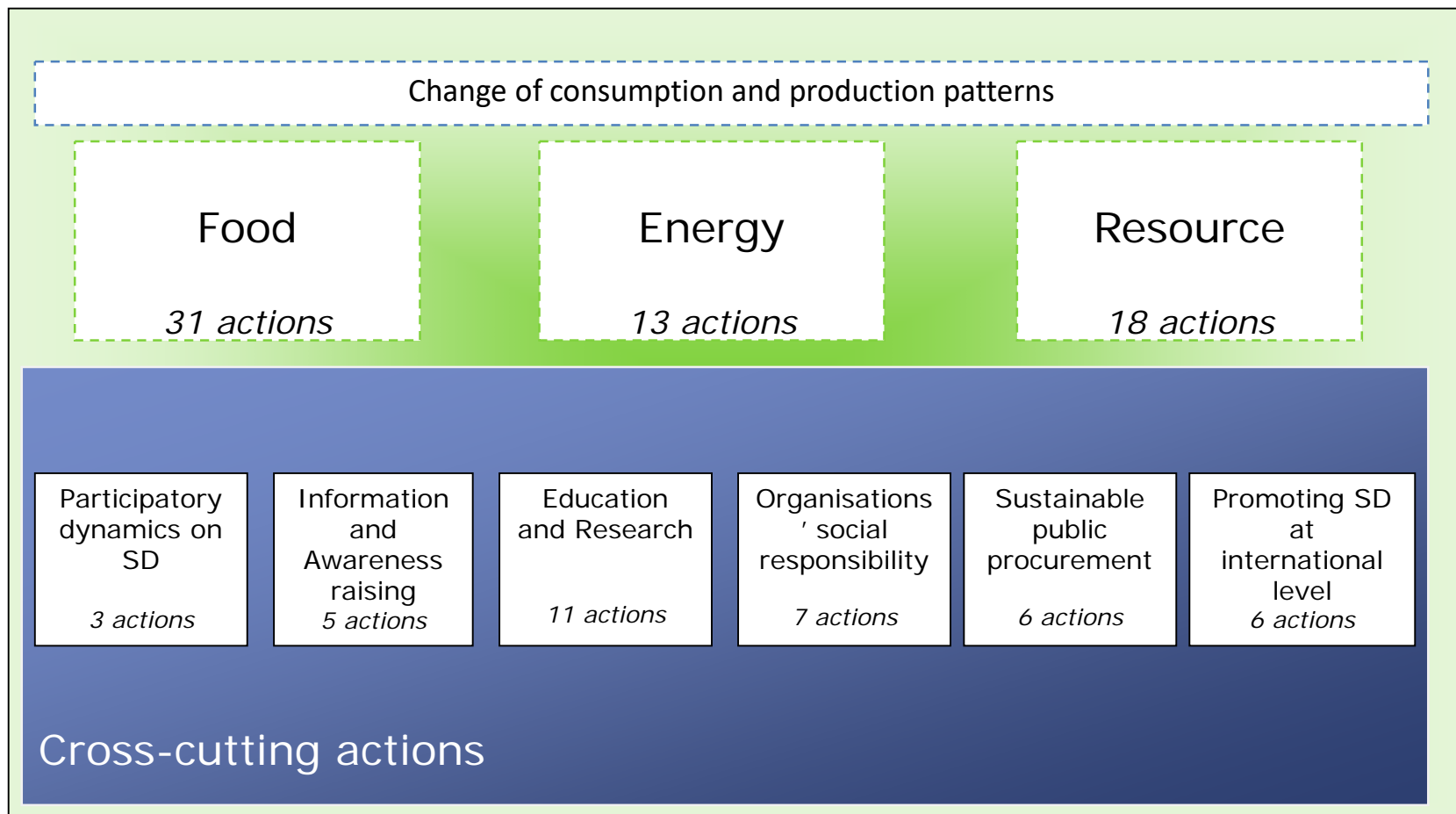
- **Innovative process for a draft strategy addressing issues beyond the scope of environmental policy**
- **Scope : long term vision and action plan**
- **Electronic form with mainly closed questions focusing on the actions**
- **Limited possibility for the public to express global views on the draft strategy**
- **Level of participation: 250 reactions**
- **350 new actions/additional suggestions submitted**

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

OVERALL CONCLUSIONS & LESSONS LEARNED

- **70 citizens/associations posted on the website commitments or projects aiming at contributing to action plan: from local to global**
- **Good level of participation and opportunity to increase awareness of the strategy**
- **Contributions analyzed in order to amend where relevant the strategy before its final adoption**
- **Need to build on the public interest in order to involve them during the implementation of the action plan**

WSDS - ACTION PLAN



WSDS ACTION PLAN

- **Participatory dynamics**

- Identify ways and processes allowing public participation during implementation of the WSDS: continuous dialogue, exchange of good practices , ...
- Organize once a year a Youth Parliament
- Highlight commitments from civil society and citizen

- **Information and promotion**

- Dedicated SD web site
- ...



FOLLOW UP OF THE STRATEGY

- Implementation of the WSDS will be monitored at least every two years**
- The public will be informed of the modalities and results of such monitoring**
- A synthetic report on progress will be transmitted by the Government to the Parliament within the month of the monitoring**
- SDG Implementation report in 2017 and 2019**
- Such report will contribute to National voluntary review by Belgium in 2017 at HLPF**



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