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Post-2015 Development Agenda - Formulation and implications for UNECE

Presentation by the secretariat
Post-2015 Development Agenda
- Formulation and Implications for UNECE

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Director’s Meeting
20 February 2013
1. Proposed contours of post-2015 agenda
2. Process of formulating the new framework
3. Major challenges
4. Way forward for UNECE
Proposed format of post-2015 agenda

- Based on three fundamental principles
- Four core dimensions
- Set of enablers

Need for integrated and coordinated policies to achieve progress across all dimensions

- Enablers:
  - Inclusive economic development
    - Eradicating income poverty and hunger
    - Reducing inequalities
    - Ensuring decent work and productive employment

- Enablers:
  - Environmental sustainability
    - Protecting biodiversity
    - Stable climate
    - Resilience to natural hazards

- Enablers:
  - Sustainable use of natural resources (climate, oceans, forests, biodiversity) and management of waste
  - Managing disaster risk and improving disaster response

- Enablers:
  - Human rights
    - Equality
    - Sustainability

- Enablers:
  - Inclusive social development
    - Adequate nutrition for all
    - Quality education for all
    - Reduced mortality and morbidity
    - Gender equality
    - Universal access to clean water and sanitation

- Enablers:
  - Peace and security
    - Freedom from violence, conflict and abuse
    - Conflict-free access to natural resources

- Enablers:
  - Democratic and coherent global governance mechanisms
  - Good governance practices based on the rule of law
  - Conflict prevention and mediation
  - Human rights protection
  - Women’s empowerment
Proposed features of post-2015 agenda

• Builds on key strengths of MDG framework with clear goals and targets
• Retains focus on key dimensions of human development
• Addresses issues that were inadequately reflected in MDGs
• Could provide general guidelines for policy orientation and coherence, without prescribing specific policies
• Should ensure flexibility to tailor targets to regional, national and sub-national conditions and priorities
Process of formulating post-2015 agenda

• Prerogative of Member States to deliver new framework
• Secretary-General provides overall leadership
• Multi-stakeholder consultation process
• Major work streams:
  - Open Working Group (OWG) on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
  - High-level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (HLP)
  - UN System Task Team on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (UNTT)
  - National and thematic consultations — Regional Consultations
• Agreement by Member States at Rio+20 to launch a process to develop a set of SDGs
• 70 countries (25 from UNECE region) from the five regional groups share 30 seats
• PGA appointed Brazil, Hungary and Kenya as facilitators
• Supported by UN System Technical Support Team
• OWG will present proposal for SDGs to 68th session of GA
High-level Panel of Eminent Persons on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (HLP)

- Panel of 27 members to advise Secretary-General
- Co-chaired by the President of Indonesia, the President of Liberia, and the Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
- Includes leaders from civil society, private sector and government
- Panel agreed to proceed along framing questions on lessons learned from MDGs, shape and content of new framework, accountability and shaping global consensus
- Panel will submit report to SG on 31 May 2013
UN System Task Team on the Post-2015 Development Agenda (UNTT)

• Over 60 UN entities and international organizations, including all Regional Commissions
• Co-chaired by UNDP and UN-DESA
• Coordinates system-wide activities
• Provides analytical inputs and recommendations
• Prepared report “Realizing the future we want for all” (2012)
• Supports OWG
### UNECE focal points for UNTT and its Working Groups

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Consultative process

- National and global thematic consultations under UNDG umbrella
- National consultations in over 50 countries, including in about 13 UNECE countries
- 11 multi-stakeholder thematic consultations
- Regional consultations organized by the Regional Commissions
- Outcomes of the consultations will be made available to HLP and SG
Global thematic consultations

- Inequalities
- Governance
- Growth and employment
- Health
- Education
- Environmental Sustainability
- Food Security and Nutrition
- Conflict and Fragility
- Population Dynamics
- Energy
- Water (ECE facilitates sub-consultation on water resources management)
## Major deliverables and timetable

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Major challenges

• Coordination between different work streams
• Building consensus on a comprehensive yet focussed agenda with realistic goals
• Integration of SDGs, post-2015 agenda and other UN processes
• Accountability framework for achievement of new development goals
Involvement of UNECE

• Member of UNTT and Technical Support Team to OWG
• Development of a Green Economy Toolbox in follow-up to Rio+20
• Regional reports
  – Rio+20 Report
  – Preparation of inter-agency report on post-2015 agenda
  – Regional Commissions Report
• Commission Session
  – High-level panels on
    (a) “The future of sustainability: from transition to transformation”
    (b) “Sustainable development governance: regional implications and perspectives for the post-Rio+20 institutional set-up”
The way forward for UNECE in post-2015 process

- Communicate an integrated vision from UNECE region on inclusion and sustainability
- Focus on key messages and cross-sectoral linkages in current stage
- Opportunity to promote activities and good practices as post-2015 process moves from conceptual to more specific stage
- UNECE areas of work that will feature in post-2015 agenda will gain momentum
Approach of draft inter-agency report on post-MDG vision for ECE region

• Inter-agency consensus to base combined vision on four areas, in line with proposed global format:
  – Inclusive social development
  – Inclusive economic development
  – Environmental sustainability
  – Peace, security and social stability

• In terms of stock-taking, region has made impressive progress towards MDGs

• Considerable challenges persist, particularly in health and environment

• Looking ahead, ECE region presents vital lessons for new global agenda