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## **Institutional Frameworks**

- The CSD remains the official body for addressing the three pillars
- The balance of these three pillars is extremely important
- So, we can look at ways to strengthen the CSD
- The problem is not in the institutional framework for sustainable development,
- Here, like other many others, we think there are a couple of points,
  - There are enough (probably more than enough) existing institutions, covering a wide scope of areas under sustainable development, but perhaps there is a lack of coordination, and specificity and specialty in their roles, and thus in many cases end up duplicating efforts
  - In addition, being that they are specified organizations, none of them, including UNEP, can take up the comprehensive role of CSD, and maintain the balance between the three pillars
- Again, the problem is not in the institutional framework for sustainable development,
- The problem however is, and has always been, in the means of implementation
- The ODA commitment, that have never been fulfilled, despite the meetings, the summits and the resolutions, is just one example of how means of implementation are not coming through
- So, we don't believe that we have an institutional problem as such, we have the right vehicle in the CSD, the challenge however, is that when there is no fuel to run this vehicle, there is a limit to how far it can go, or aim at reaching, any of the millennium development goals