

Thank you co chairs,

My name is Nozipho Wright and I speak on behalf of the Women's Major Group, the NGO Major Group, the Youth Major and other stakeholders on goal 9, industrialization.

Co chairs "industrialization" only refers to production, but we believe services are just as important for creation of human wellbeing.

SDGs need to support *responsible* business, *sustainable* investments and *sustainable* productivity. This language and focus is still lacking in goal 9 which creates a risk that goal 9 will counteract the real essence of sustainable development.

We therefore propose to merge the "production related" targets of goal 12, with some of the targets in goal 9.

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We propose as a title for the new goal 9 to read "Promote sustainable production in all sectors"

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Target 9.1. reminds us of "structural adjustment programs" of the 70ties, which have often been destructive for people and the environment.

We therefore propose to reformulate this target and keep the concept of transformation, by transitioning towards sustainable production and value addition.

The New target would read:

9.1 achieve structural transformation towards sustainable economies through value addition and decent jobs, while safeguarding human rights and the environment.

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Target 2, focuses on policy space, which is very important.

We suggest to reword this target to read:

Protect national policy space and respect national circumstances for industrial development, which benefit the poorest and most marginalised people, while preserving livelihoods and doing no harm to the environment.

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Target 3 focuses on policies for creation of entrepreneurs. For this target we suggest inclusion of “cooperatives” in addition to Micro- and SMEs, in both industrial and service sectors

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At the last OWG11, you had proposed language for target 9e, co-chairs, which was quite good. It is important to maintain language calling for the reduction of harmful chemicals and waste.

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Target 4,: we want people to have jobs, but decent jobs within a safe environment. To achieve this, we suggest merging 9.4 and 12.9 and the reworded target would read:

by 2030 at least double **the share of decent jobs in industrial and service sectors** in LDCs **in line with social, gender and environmental reporting guidelines**

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Our suggestion for a modified target *Target 5 is:*

increase diversification **and revenue from** product development through enhanced processing of raw materials, **while reducing waste, pollution, avoiding land-grabbing and displacement of local communities and legislating international corporations.**

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Target 6 focuses on increased exports as part of global production chains, this will only be beneficial for development if fair market access is ensured.

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Target 7 is already covered in goal 8 on Decent Work

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Target 8 focuses on R&D, but it would be unfortunate if this sector would be entirely controlled by a few large private sector interests, as we see happening in some of the Northern countries. It is key that independent R&D and technology development expertise is developed in our countries as this would help keep potentially harmful products out.

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And finally co chairs we propose to retain target 9, 10, 11 and 12 with small additions.

I thank you very much