**[Title]**

**[Major Group name’s] vision & priorities for the Sustainable Development Goals and the post-2015 development agenda**

***A position paper for the programme:***

***“Post 2 Post: Enhancing Stakeholder Engagement in the Post-Rio+20/Post-2015 Process”***

***Max. 4 pages***

**Introduction (draft)** [[1]](#footnote-1)

This short position paper details the [Insert Major Group name]’s vision and priorities - including themes, goals, targets and indicators – for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the wider post-2015 development agenda and the High Level Political Forum (HLPF). It forms part of the European Commission-funded programme “*Post 2 Post: Enhancing Stakeholder Engagement in the Post-Rio+20/Post-2015 Process*” (*Post 2 Post*). This paper provides an opportunity for the Major Group to communicate and consult on its position as a basis for ongoing stakeholder engagement, capacity building and advocacy.

The paper sits alongside similar position papers authored by the other Major Groups.[[2]](#footnote-2) A synthesis report of these position papers will be published by Stakeholder Forum in March 2014. The synthesis report will identify common priorities across the Major Groups’ positions in order to establish priority clusters for further coordination and advocacy work on those themes, as well as identify any important differences. The individual papers will be updated by the respective Major Groups in September 2014 following a series of global and regional capacity building, outreach and advocacy exercises under the *Post 2 Post* programme.

*[Please add 1-2 paragraphs to summarise the Major Group’s rationale, objectives, activities etc.]*

**Summary**

*[In 1-3 paragraphs please summarise the Major Group’s vision and priorities for the SDGs and the post-2015 development agenda.]*

*[Please also include a bulleted list of the key themes or issues which you believe the position paper covers. The starting point should be the* [*22 thematic clusters identified by the SDGs Open Working Group*](http://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/index.php?menu=1565)*. For example:]* This position paper considers the following priority themes and issues:

* Water
* Youth, education and culture
* Means of implementation
* ….

**Our position**

*[In one page please set out the chosen position and explain why the themes are important to a) the Major Group and its constituency, and b) wider stakeholders and global sustainable development. Please also set out how you consider that your position may align with existing and potential policies and governance frameworks at national, regional and international levels, where appropriate.*

*This may be set out in numbered subsections by thematic headings and/or with associated recommendations, essential criteria, participation and accountability details etc.]*

**Goals and Targets**

*[Please set out under subheadings or bullets any recommendations for overarching goals and objectives related to your position, with context and justification. Where possible, please set out SMART targets and timelines for implementation. This should include specific calls for SDGs as well as wider policy goals and targets.]*

**Framework**

***Cross-cutting Issues***

*[In 2-3 paragraphs please set out using bullets or subheadings the cross-cutting issues or themes in your position. Do you suggest any ‘meta’ SDGs or policy goals to encapsulate and address these cross-cutting issues? How can these cross-cutting issues be jointly addressed or mutually supported in the design and the functioning of the SDGs?]*

***Placing the Position****[In 2-3 paragraphs please set out the issues and themes from your position which you believe belong in the SDGs specifically, and which in the wider post-2015 framework narrative. Are there any themes or issues which are important to the post-2015 development agenda and should be explicitly discussed but should not be SDGs?]*

**Monitoring and Evaluation**

*[In 1-3 paragraphs or bulletpoints please set out potential indicators and methods of monitoring and evaluation, where possible building on existing systems and methods.]*

**Next Steps**

*[In 1-3 paragraphs or bulletpoints please show how the Major Group will contribute towards the vision, goals and objectives identified, including activities to undertake (or which have been undertaken), and key actors and processes to engage and build capacity.]*

**Conclusion**

*[1-3 paragraphs]*

1. The opening two paragraphs are to be included in all of the Major Groups’ position papers, though content may be updated by Stakeholder Forum [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. A full list of the Major Groups producing papers will be added by Stakeholder Forum [↑](#footnote-ref-2)