



THE WAY FORWARD

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GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR NSDS

- UNITED NATIONS (2002)
- OECD/DAC (2002)
- European Union (2005)

MAIN GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- Integrate economic, environmental and social
- Base on long-term vision
- Ensure broad participation
- Promote country ownership
- Develop domestic capacity/enabling environment
- Focus on outcomes and implementation

GOOD GOVERNANCE

- National or federal-level strategy
- Horizontal across departments and agencies
- High-level leadership and political commitment
- Fully involves stakeholders
- Linked to budget processes
- Linked to sub-national levels

OECD BEST PRACTICES

- Policy integration
- Intergenerational timeframe
- Analysis and assessments
- Indicators and targets
- Co-ordination and institutions
- Local and regional governance
- Stakeholder participation
- Monitoring and evaluation

REVISED BEST PRACTICES

- DIFFER BY GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE
- ROLE OF SD COMMUNICATION & MARKETING
- ROLE OF SD LEGISLATION & CONSTITUTION
- NEED FOR SD MINISTRY OR HIGH-LEVEL UNIT
- NEED FOR BUDGET CARROTS and STICKS
- SD COUNCILS and STAKEHOLDERS
- GOVERNMENT PROCESSES, MACHINERY

GOOD REVIEW PRACTICES

- Base strategy on indicators and targets
- Have regular internal reviews
- Conduct independent audits
- Promote parliamentary reviews
- Link to budgetary processes
- Organise or volunteer for peer reviews

STRATEGY INTEGRATION

- Have agreed Poverty Reduction Strategies (PRS)
- Link to National Sustainable Development Strategies (NSDS)
- Integrate Millennium Development Goal (MDG) targets
- Evolve from PRS to NSDS

UN REPORTING SYSTEM

(once during 2-year UNCSD cycle)

- 1) National Focal Point for Sustainable Development
- 2) Status of National Sustainable Development Strategies
- 3) Concrete actions and case studies addressing current themes of UNCSD – climate change, air pollution, energy, industry

UN REPORTING QUESTIONS

- Does your country have an NSDS, PRS, national development plan, national environmental action plan, or other?
- If your country has a PRS but not an NSDS, does the PRS address environmental, economic and social aspects of development?
- If your country has both PRS and NSDS, are they linked?
- Does your PRS or NSDS target the MDG?

EU PEER REVIEW INITIATIVE

- Developed Guidebook for Peer Reviews
- Issued call for proposals/countries
- EU provides matching funds up to €100 000
- Conditions:
 - Secure political support from Ministers
 - Use guidebook methodology
 - Use a panel of reviewers (2 EU members, 1-2 non-EU members, EC as observer)
 - Look at links between national and EU strategies

OECD ANNUAL MEETING OF SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT EXPERTS – AMSDE 13-14 September 2006

- GOVERNANCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT
- PEER REVIEWS WITH SD PERSPECTIVE
- POLITICAL ECONOMY OF STRUCTURAL REFORM
- OECD MINISTERIAL ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

OECD PEER REVIEW PROPOSALS

From *2006 Annual Report on Sustainable Development Work in the OECD*:

- **Environmental peer reviews** – include review of SD institutions and national SD strategies
- **Economic reviews** – examine topics (health, housing) from sustainable development perspective
- **DAC reviews** – review donor assistance programmes from sustainable development perspective

FOLLOW-UP RECOMMENDATIONS

- WORKSHOP ON SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIES IN ASIA (MARCH 2007)
- SUMMARY OF RESULTS OF PEER REVIEWS IN EC, UN AND OECD
- REVISE BEST PRACTICES IN NSDS
- GUIDELINES FOR INTEGRATING NSSD, PRS and MDG

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- *Are further guidelines or guiding principles needed for NSDS? Or for integrating PRS, NSDS, and MDG?*
- *How can reporting on NSDS be improved at the international level such as on the occasion of the UN Commission on Sustainable Development?*
- *In which ways can the UN, OECD and EU most effectively support NSDS development and implementation processes in both developing and developed countries?*