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# Mainstreaming SD into National Planning

**RoK case study**

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# Why is ROK case study interesting?

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- ❖ **Interesting case of SD integration in the national vision, development planning and key policies from a mid-income country in the last 20 years**
- ❖ **Interesting domestic discussion on the relationship between SD and Green Growth**
- ❖ **Well-structured review process of SD progress with indicators**

# SD discussion in ROK in a nutshell

- ❖ **1992** **UNCED, Rio Declaration, Agenda 21**
- ❖ 1996 National Agenda 21 Implementation Plan
- ❖ 2000 Presidential Commission on SD established
- ❖ **2002** **WSSD**
- ❖ 2005 National Vision on SD launched
- ❖ 2006 1<sup>st</sup> National SD Strategy (2006~2010)  
SD Indicators (77) developed
- ❖ 2007 Basic Act on SD enacted
- ❖ 2008 Green Growth Vision launched
- ❖ 2010 Basic Act on Low Carbon Green Growth enacted
- ❖ 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> National SD Strategy (2011~2015)
- ❖ **2012** **Rio+20**
- ❖ Current Preparation for the 3<sup>rd</sup> National SD Strategy (2016~ )

# Following the Recommendations

Elements	National Actions
Policy Integration	Review of key agenda → Comment on relevant plans → Decision on selected plans
Inter-generational timeframe	Rolling plans with Long-term and midterm goals
Analysis & Assessment	Two year planning & consultation process for the formulation of the plan
Coordination & Institution	Presidential Commission → Prime Minister Commission
Local & Regional Governance	Network established in all local municipalities
Stakeholder Participation	Commission promotes stakeholder participation (NGO rep in the Commission + Secretariat)
Indicators & targets	77 indicators
Monitoring & evaluation	5 year rolling plans with every 2 year evaluation report

# Key mainstreaming efforts

- ❖ **SD plans formulated with multi-stakeholder participation at different levels of the government**
- ❖ **National Strategy and regular (2-year) implementation review conducted**
- ❖ **77 indicators monitor progress in all three pillars of SD**
  - Indicators are continuously reviewed in terms of the level of ambition as well as appropriateness
- ❖ **Legislative mandate to review key development plans on energy and climate change by the National Committee**
  - Mandated to provide input on 71 relevant development plans
  - A legislation in review for linkage of land development plans & env'tal assessments
- ❖ **Permanent body in the higher government branch to ensure policy coordination and SD integration**

# Lessons learned

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- ❖ **Political will plays an important role in SD integration + effective implementation of SD goals**
- ❖ **Existing legislations provide the foundation for further enhancement of SD**
- ❖ **Inclusive governance structure is more effective**
  - **Public-Private co-leadership, Multi-stakeholder (gov't agency) participation**
- ❖ **Local governments play an important role**
  - **Local Agenda 21 and CGOs (Chief Green Officers)**
- ❖ **SD planning must be a rolling-plan**
  - **Effective implementation review process is as important as the level of ambition**

# Challenges

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- ❖ **Further efforts are needed for the National Committee to address conflict resolution on contentious SD agenda**
- ❖ **Local governments need further capacity-building in order to play a greater role in SD integration**
  - **Central government's financing etc. need to be adaptive to promote SD integration**
- ❖ **Further efforts to promote science-based decision-making process**
  - **Good example: Energy Demand and GHG Emission Forecast**

**Thank You**