

# Reviewing Progress since the UN Conference on Sustainable Development Negotiated commitments

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# **Fulfilling the Rio+20 Promises**



- Stakeholder Forum and NRDC
- Review of the progress made to date on key negotiated and voluntary commitments made at Rio+20.
- Communications tool
- Facilitate accountability
- Link to full report: http://bit.ly/19PQAZL

# **Reviewing progress**



- Selected 14 significant and tangible commitments as basis of report
- Too early to assess impact
- Reviewed implementation based upon:
  - Progress to date
- Plus four important accountability dimensions that we believe are the building blocks for effective, transparent and democratic implementation
  - Target date
  - Work plan
  - Stakeholder engagement
  - Transparency

# Implementation to date of key negotiated commitments



Commitment	Progress so far	Targe t date	Work plan	Stakeholder engagement mechanisms	Transparency	Overall assessment
High level						VERY
political						
forum						GOOD
Sustainable						
Development						GOOD
Goals						
Financing						
sustainable						GOOD
development						

# **High Level Political Forum**



- Overall Assessment very good
- HLPF has been established and its first meeting is scheduled for Sep 2013
- Still key processes & issues to resolve, including the modalities for stakeholder engagement and agenda-setting
- Unlikely to begin any substantive work until procedural arrangements have been agreed upon

#### **Sustainable Development Goals**



- Overall assessment Good
- OWG has been established and is on track to submit its report in 2014.
- Efforts made to ensure transparency and stakeholder engagement
- Lack of clarity on the OWG's activities after Feb 2013
- Convergence of SDGs and post-MDG processes?

### Sustainable development finance



- Overall assessment good
- 30 member Intergovernmental Committee established, first meeting August 2013
- Developed a work plan and is on track to submit its report in 2014.
- No formal mechanisms for stakeholder engagement have been agreed.
- Lack of transparency Both the meetings to establish the Committee and the sessions of the Committee itself have been closed

#### **Accountability is key**



- Good progress made on key commitments
- For the most part represent the starting point of new processes rather than decisions on key issues and initiatives
- Rio+20 is therefore perhaps best seen as a startpoint rather than an end-point for action on sustainable development
- Accountability mechanisms are needed to encourage the support, drive and ownership of all actors and ensure that the promises made at Rio+20 are fulfilled.



# **Thank You**

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