

**PART III: ANNEXED DRAFT PROFILE ON
NATIONAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIES;
INDICATORS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

Introduction

We have compiled the information regarding your country's national sustainable development strategy (NSDS), or its equivalent, and indicators related to sustainable development on the basis of past completed surveys and additional official information received over the last few years. We request you to kindly update the information contained or fill in the blanks of the attached DRAFT NSDS/INDICATORS PROFILE, taking into account the explanatory notes given below. The updated information will replace the NSDS/indicators information currently available on the national information website (please access your country page from the drop-down menu at: http://www.un.org/esa/dsd/dsd_aofw_ni/ni_index.shtml).

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◁ EXPLANATORY NOTE FOR THE ANNEX ▷

Information on National Sustainable Development Strategy (NSDS) or equivalent

WSSD JPOI in paragraph 162(b) specifies that national strategies for sustainable development could, where applicable, be formulated as poverty reduction strategies that integrate economic, social and environmental aspects of sustainable development, and that these should be pursued in accordance with each country's national priorities. A country's national strategy will therefore be considered an "NSDS or equivalent" if it integrates economic, social and environmental aspects of sustainable development.

Strategy Title: *Towards sustainable choices: A nationally and globally sustainable Finland*

Strategy website: <http://www.environment.fi./default.asp?node=9732&lan=en>

Coordinating Body: *Ministry of the Environment*

Coordinating Body website: <http://www.environment.fi./default.asp?contentid=94236&lan=en>

Strategy Status: The category here corresponds to the status of NSDS implementation reflected in the NSDS Global Map.

*Please indicate whether your country's NSDS is: i) **being implemented**; ii) under development; or iii) not in existence (No NSDS).*

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Additional Information: *Finnish National Strategy on Sustainable Development is currently under an evaluation. The aim of this project is to evaluate how well SD strategy is implemented and what is Finland's current status regarding to sustainable development. This project will be finished by December 2009.*