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Sustainable development challenges in Macedonia

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Sustainable Development in Macedonia

- 2010 National strategy for sustainable development adopted (SIDA technical assistance)
- 2010 National council for sustainable development established with governmental decision
- 2012 Reestablished National council for sustainable development with rules of procedure, 4 sessions held- Chair of the Council is Deputy Prime minister in charge of economic affairs
- 2012 Green growth and climate change analytic and advisory support program (late 2011 the program started), which was supposed to be an action plan for sustainable development, but only covered the sectors: energy demand, energy supply, transport, air quality, social issues, agriculture, urban issues, water, and the macro - economy model. The strategy for sustainable development, is consisted of more sectors.
- 2012 Technical working group for the National council for sustainable development established-Chair Advisor for sustainable development at the Cabinet
- 2012 High level delegation from Macedonia at the Rio+20 UN conferences on sustainable development, lead by the Deputy Prime minister in charge of economic affairs, chair of the National council for sustainable development. The document National vision in the context of sustainable development in the context of Rio+20 and EU accession served as a platform for R Macedonia at the conference. After the conference, the document (National vision) was updated with the outcomes of the final document form the Conference - “The future we want”, and was adopted by the Government (UNDP technical assistance)
- 2013 From the conference, and the outcome of the document “The future we want”, all Governments were asked to give input for defining the SDG’s through the Questionnaire related to the development of Sustainable Development Goals. The technical working group worked on the answers. (the outline of the 17 SDG’s now is from the response of the Government on this Questionnaire) (UNDP technical assistance)
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- 2013 Governmental decision for preparation of the Annual report for implementation of the National strategy for sustainable development and development of an action plan (UNDP technical assistance)
- 2014 Workshops held in order to prepare the Annual report for the implementation of the National strategy for sustainable development and the action plan (2015-2018) (UNDP technical assistance)
- 2015 Finalized Report and draft action plan. The report was adopted by the Government, while the Action plan was not, due to the fact the in 2015 UN held 3 major conferences related to sustainable development, the Adis abeba conference for financing the development, the conference for climate change, and the Summit of head of governments when the SDG’s were adopted (70 General assembly of UN)
The Post-2015 Process: Two Strands Into One

Sustainable Development
This concept gained traction during the Rio Summits in 1992 and 2012.

1992: Rio Earth Summit
2012: Rio+20

Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)
Served as a framework for global action and cooperation on development in 2000-2015.

2000-15: UN Millennium Declaration & MDGs

Post-2015 Process
Brought together the two strands & extended public participation in defining the new agenda.

2012–15: UN-led global conversation
WorldWeWant and MY World

8.5 million people engaged in deciding what should go in the post-2015 agenda, and how the agenda should be implemented
SDGs: structured around 5 principles

- People
- Prosperity
- Peace
- Partnership
- Planet
2016 (late 2015) the Government decided to integrate the SDG into national strategic planning, and received technical assistance from RC UN Macedonia for the process. One workshop on Energy and climate change took place. The other workshops are planned for September 2016.

2016 (late 2015) at the last session of the National council for sustainable development, which was held between the Summit of heads of states and COP 2, new National focal point for sustainable development appointed from the Cabinet of the Deputy Prime minister in charge of economic affairs.

2016 Macedonia invited party, while The Focal point was invited by the President of ECOSOC to be lead discussant at the High level political forum for sustainable development, when Ministerial declaration was adopted.

ESCOSOC (UN Economic and social council) invited Macedonia to have its review of the process of integration of the Sustainable development goals and the status of implementing the Agenda 2030 at the High level political forum next year, 2017.
CHALLENGES FOR ACHIEVING THE AGENDA 2030

- Prioritization and localization of the global goals and targets
- Selection of relevant indicators and development of a monitoring framework
- Development of a budgetary framework with division of funds secured by the government for the regular development activities, secured donors funding as well as the funding gap
- Review of the relevant national sectoral strategies and plans and the level of adjustment needed for each strategy to align it with the SDG agenda
- Development of a reporting framework and design of a reporting system
MONITORING ON GLOBAL LEVEL

- The High-Level Political Forum (HLPF), tasked to track and facilitate the implementation of Agenda 2030 and its Sustainable Development Goals.
- It will meet annually at the ministerial level and every four years at the level of heads of state or government.
THANK YOU

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