The significance of proposed SDG 16 in the new 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

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- Where does Goal 16 come from & why is it so important in the SDG framework?

- What are the current priorities?

- How do we measure Goal 16?

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16.1 significantly reduce all forms of **violence** and related death rates everywhere – **16.2** end abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence against and torture of **children** – **16.3** promote the rule of law at the national and international levels and ensure equal access to **justice** for all – **16.4** By 2030, significantly reduce **illicit** financial and arms flows, strengthen the recovery and return of stolen assets and combat all forms of organized crime – **16.5** substantially reduce **corruption** and bribery in all their forms – **16.6** develop effective, accountable and transparent **institutions** at all levels – **16.7** ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative **decision-making** at all levels – **16.8** broaden and strengthen the participation of developing countries in the institutions of **global governance** – **16.9** by 2030, provide legal **identity** for all, including birth registration – **16.10** ensure public access to information and protect fundamental **freedoms**, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements.

16.a strengthen relevant national institutions, including through international cooperation, for building capacity at all levels, in particular in developing countries, to prevent violence and combat **terrorism and crime** – **16.b** promote and enforce **non-discriminatory** laws and policies for sustainable development.

SDG 16 in the new 2030 Agenda

Discussion about Goal 16 focusses on:

- ➤ How new & innovative is.

- ➤ How it requires identification of new frameworks.

- ➤ How it requires ne methods of work that are unfamiliar from the Millennium Development Goals.

- ➤ How governance has been an integral part of a long-time discourse.

Where did SDG 16 come from? Why is it so important?

Concept of governance & the role of institutions were a full part of the Declaration

Country efforts (e.g. Afghanistan, Albania, Mongolia, Laos) to make sense of governance as part of the MDG process

Millennium Declaration
http://www.un.org/en/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/55/2

September 2000

"MDG 9"

1997
World Development Report: The State in a Changing World

September 2001
Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/326): Road Map towards the Implementation of the UN Millennium Declaration
http://www.un.org/documents/ga/docs/56/a56326.pdf

2012
Rio+20:
The Future We Want
http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/RES/66/288&Lang=E

Codified the importance and role of governance in a changing system

Introducing goals, targets & indicators to allow monitoring of progress

Clear commitment to governance as a fundamental part of sustainable development

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Where did SDG 16 come from? Why is it so important?

Governance as key theme:
Focus on conflict prevention,
post-conflict peacebuilding
and the promotion of durable peace,
rule of law & stable institutions.

8th Session of the Open
Working Group (OWG)

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/2639Issues%20Brief%20on%20Peace%20etc_FINAL_21_Nov.pdf

February 2014

Final Proposal
of OWG (A/68/970)

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/1579SDGs%20Proposal.pdf

September 2014

2013

High-Level Panel Report

http://www.un.org/sg/management/pdf/HLP_P2015_Report.pdf

March 2014

Compendium of Statistical
Notes for OWG

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/3647Compendium%20of%20statistical%20notes.pdf

Emphasizing governance:
Goal 10 – Ensure Good Governance
and Effective Institutions
Goal 11 – Ensure Stable and Peaceful
Societies

Concepts are underpinned by
statistical metadata, important
elements of the concepts &
methodologies

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Current Priorities

➢ June 2015: Zero Draft Outcome Document (https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/post2015)

    ➢ Goal 16 is part of the set of 17 Sustainable Development Goals in the Zero Draft Outcome Document from the Post-2015 negotiations

    ➢ Targets under Goal 16 were reduced from 17 to 12

➢ First five sessions: Stocktake, Declaration, Goals and Targets, Means of Implementation, Follow up and Review.

➢ September 2015: UN Sustainable Development Summit
(http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=A/69/L.85&Lang=E)

    ➢ Final framework

    ➢ Sets the UN's course for the next 15 years until 2030

    ➢ 2 main elements will be important, particularly in country offices where the implementation of the SDGs has to happen : *IMPLEMENTATION & MEASUREMENT*

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IMPLEMENTATION

1. What will Member States do to implement the over all set of SDGs?
2. What do we have to do to prepare for implementation of Goal 16 specifically?

Member States need more effective, accountable & inclusive institutions to deliver any part of the SDG framework!

Current UN processes:

➢ Implementation Dialogues
  http://www.un.org/millenniumgoals/pdf/UNDG%202nd%20dialogues.pdf

➢ ECOSOC – Report of the Secretary-General: "Strengthening and building institutions for policy integration in the post-2015 era"
  http://www.un.org/ga/search/view_doc.asp?symbol=E/2015/69

➢ Mainstreaming, Acceleration & Policy Support (MAPS) process:
  http://www.undp.org/content/dam/undp/library/MDG/Post2015/UNDP_Building%20the%20Post-2015%20Development%20Agenda_Final_2015.pdf

➢ Initiative on "Piloting Governance in the Context of the SDGs"

  (piloting countries: Tunisia, Albania, Indonesia, Rwanda, UK)

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MEASUREMENT

1. Formal/internal process through the UN Statistical Commission

   ➢ Inter-Agency & Expert Group on SDG Indicators (IAEG-SDGs) identifies a robust framework of indicators

      ➢ Roadmap from the Friends of the Chair Group:
        http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/doc15/2015-2-BroaderMeasures-E.pdf

      ➢ Statistical Commission Report on the 46th session
        http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/doc15/Report-E.pdf

      ➢ List of Indicator Proposals
        http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/news/index.html#news-5

2. Informal/external processes through e.g. expertise & civil society organisations

   ➢ Virtual Network on Indicators for Goal 16 co-hosted by UNDP

   ➢ Praia Group on Governance Statistics (E/CN.3/2015/17)
        http://unstats.un.org/unsd/statcom/doc15/2015-17-CaboVerde-E.pdf

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