

## Common guidelines for major groups and other stakeholders to report to the high-level political forum on their implementation of the 2030 Agenda

The following components are suggested as a way to help major groups and other stakeholders to prepare reports on their implementation of the Agenda to the HLPF. Based on inputs from major groups and other stakeholders a voluntary template based on existing tools and models, is developed by the major groups and other stakeholders.

In the 2030 Agenda, Member States decided that the high-level political forum (HLPF), when it meets under the auspices of the Economic and Social Council, shall carry out regular voluntary reviews. In paragraph 89 of the Agenda, Member States also decided that the HLPF will support participation in follow-up and review processes by the major groups and other relevant stakeholders in line with resolution 67/290. In the same paragraph, Member States also called upon major groups and other stakeholders to report on their contribution to the implementation of the Agenda.

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### 1. Opening statement:

Outline what is a Value of MGoS' participation in review and the role that MGoS will and play in the review and follow-up of the Agenda, through the HLPF Paragraph 84<sup>1</sup>

### 2. Summary:

In the report to focus on synthesis of the following:

- A one-to-two page synthesis of the process and findings highlighting two or three good practices the major group or other stakeholder constituency wishes to share, two or three lessons it has learned in trying to accelerate implementation, and two or three challenges or reflections it wishes to share

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<sup>1</sup> A/RES/70/1, paragraphs 84, 89

- 2. Recommendations on improvement of the implementation and review process

### 3. Introduction:

1. The context and objectives of the review could be presented here. The introduction may briefly describe key features of the context as it pertains to the 2030 Agenda.
2. Review of implementation of the Human rights frameworks and 2030 Agenda
3. How MGoS conduct joint monitoring, positioning, assessing and formulate recommendations – to show collective power of the reporting

### 4. Methodology and Process for Preparation of the Review:

This section may discuss the methodology used to prepare the report, including areas of the 2030 Agenda of specific concern or special focus, its scope, depth and limitations. Information on the process for preparation of the report should also be presented, including the organizations that contributed to the preparations, and how consultations took place, and what support was received. The sources used for the review may be discussed.

- *Provide short description of methodology of monitoring and of reports and review preparation*
- *How consultations were held*
- *Results of monitoring of the SDG+ related international commitments*
- Sources of data and information
- Outreach data in monitoring

### 5. Policy and Enabling Environment

#### 5. (a) Creating ownership of the SDGs.

- Outline efforts done to support efforts governments to inform and build engagement around goals and targets
- *Outline what MGoS did to set up/advocate for Institutionalization of MGoS participation: space in diverse decision making and other bodies with different roles*

What was level of CSOs participation in designing of the implementation and *review*

- How and where MGoS expertise in data collection and analysis was recognised accepted
- *What and how inputs were done by MGoS for the official report and review process*
- Outline challenges experienced by MGoS in access to State Review related documents, processes, on time, etc.
- Outline what was done to increase CSOs' ownership of the implementation and review processes at various levels
- Outline MGoS efforts to increase CSOs' capacity to own 2030 Agenda at national level
- How MGoS participated in official data verification processes
- What opportunity were given to MGoS in multi-stakeholder dialogues
- how MGoS' ownership of the process was ensured, including if there was a self-selection of participants, cases, alternative reports, etc.

- MG and CSOs experts to be involved in Review and implementation process

Role in official a collection and \ or verification

- *Analysis of the level of consultations with participation of MGoS at various levels*
- Role of and level of engagement of MGoS in designing, discussion of monitoring plan, mechanism

The report could outline efforts made by the major group or stakeholder constituency to support efforts of the governments to inform and build engagement around the Goals and targets,

#### **5. (b) Incorporation of the SDGs in national frameworks**

On implementation or contribution to implementation of Agenda

- Through advocacy work: to outline what and how SDGs were incorporated into governmental, Parliamentary programs, as well into civil society organizations' programs at national, regional and local levels
  - Direct work on goals and targets
  - Through watching
  - Through data verification
  - Submitting positions
  - MOI
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- What input was done by MGoS for the governmental national set of SDGs indicators?
  - Outline details of MGoS positions for SDGs budgeting processes in the Government
  - Outline how many and what recommendations were submitted
  - Where and when were presented shadow or alternative reports

The report could outline critical initiatives that the major group or stakeholder constituency has undertaken to adapt the Sustainable Development Goals and targets to programmes, and activities including research, campaigns, and to advocate for advance their implementation of the 2030 Agenda. It could also indicate what the MGoS has done to strengthen the relationship between duty bearers and rights holders and to ensure that no one is left behind. It could also highlight the main challenges and difficulties experienced in implementing the Sustainable Development Goals and provide recommendations to address the same. s a whole. It could also highlight additional goals, beyond the Goals, which are considered priorities and possible partnerships.

#### **5. (c) Integration of the three dimensions:**

Outline what was done on coherence\integration of SDGs +other human rights and other international commitments by MGoS in their own programs

How was Linking Agenda 2030 Review with review and monitoring frameworks of the existing human rights and women's rights commitments

The report could make comments on the might discuss the steps being taken to integrate the three dimensions of sustainable development (economic, social and environmental) and share best practices where available. and how projects and activities are being designed and implemented to reflect such integration. The report could also assess how other principles of the 2030 Agenda, for example, respect for all human rights, leaving no one behind, non discrimination, etc, have been mainstreamed in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals

## **5. d) Goals and targets:**

The report may provide brief information on progress and the status of specific Sustainable Development Goals and targets relevant to a specific constituency represented by of concern to the MGoS, and critical difficulties encountered in reaching them, making reference, when appropriate, to data provided. Those may be chosen by the major group or stakeholder constituency in the light of its priorities. The discussion could focus on trends, successes, challenges, emerging issues, and lessons learned, and describe what actions have been taken to address existing gaps and challenges. It could support the identification of gaps, solutions, best practices and areas requiring advice and support.

### **Report On impact**

- a. Through advocacy, including pushing states to volunteer review reporting
- b. What and how many programs were led or realized by MGoS for implementation of the Agenda 2030

### **Report on process**

- h. Data collection
- i. Role in peer review
- j. Participation in multistakeholders' consultations

### **Report on own effectiveness**

- k. Governance
- l. Outreach
- m. Timeliness

## **5. (e) Thematic analysis:**

As appropriate, the report could include an analysis of progress and initiatives related to the high-level political forum's thematic focus for that year. Thematic analysis would take into account, information and analysis provided by Governments and UN and other international reporting mechanisms

## **6. Means of implementation:**

- Outline the what was done for communication with other civil society organizations
- What concrete partnerships were built and with whom
- What efforts were done for civil society organizations capacity building
- What contribution was done for mobilization of resources
- Outline joint positions were advocated through partnership

## **7. Forms of reports**

- Focused thematic reports
- Alternative/shadow independent report
- Joint reports for regional and global
- Three sections in each part of the report: progress and challenges, suggested tools for solution
- Recommendations and positions

- The report could have a link to more in-depth national reports and reviews through the dedicated United Nations Secretariat website
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## 8. Next steps:

- The report could outline what steps the major group or other stakeholder are is taking or planning to take to enhance the implementation of the 2030 Agenda and support or enabling environment essential for effective and timely delivery of this agenda. .
- On pushing States to volunteer on reporting
- Plans on addressing challenges

## 9. Statistical Annex:

Optional, when and if possible

## 10. Conclusion:

- The section may present a summary of the analysis, findings and policy recommendations implications. It may discuss new or emerging issues identified by the review. Lastly, the section may indicate what lessons have been learned from the review process, what support would be needed in the future for preparing such reports and any adjustment believed to be necessary

### Letter to DESA, MGoS

The guide reflects all positions and suggestions from the interactive online platform (review platform) on the Sustainable Development Knowledge website where discussed happened using the Proposal for voluntary common guidelines for major groups and other stakeholders to report to the high-level political forum on their implementation of the 2030 Agenda

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Notes:

**5. (e) Thematic analysis** - The issue of how to analyse it is suggested for further discussion within MGoS

We suggest to make a separate section as 6. Means of implementation: to report on work conducted by MGoS in this area; also it may be useful to have a separate section on 6. a Forms of reports