

Global Sustainable Development Report: opportunities and challenges for disability inclusion

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What is the GSDR?

- Scientists have looked for entry points in the UN for decades
- In 2012 at Rio+20, Commission on Sustainable Development replaced with the High-level Political Forum on sustainable development
- Mandate to follow-up and review implementation of Agenda 21, WSSD, Rio+20, and now 2030 SD agenda, provide high-level guidance on how to go forward with the new agenda
- **Mandate to strengthen science-policy interface**
 - including through a GSDR
 - Reconfirmed in GA 67/290, Agenda 2030
- **March-April 2016: informal consultations on scope, methodology and frequency of the GSDR**

What is the GSDR (2)?

- Member States allocated resources for Rio+20, for GSDR as annual publication of the sustainable development subprogramme in budget for 2014-2015 and 2016/2017.
 - 2014: First edition (prototype)
 - 2015: Second edition
 - 2016: Third edition (in preparation)



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What is the GSDR (2)?

- A window for interaction of science and policy, in the UN, at the highest political level (HLPF)
- Past editions: Assessment of assessment approach: make sense of existing knowledge (**not a monitoring report**)
- Policy relevant, not prescriptive. Seeks to present existing knowledge from various disciplines and areas of sustainable development in a way that is practical for consideration by decision-makers
- Science-policy interface for SD: how it works at different levels, how it might work better
- Sustainable development goals as integrated network: different lenses on integration
 - global: through integrated assessments
 - nexus approaches: examining sub-systems
 - cross-cutting issues (e.g. disaster risk reduction, institutions)

What linkages do international assessments cover?

International assessments	SDG1	SDG2	SDG3	SDG4	SDG5	SDG6	SDG7	SDG8	SDG9	SDG10	SDG11	SDG12	SDG13	SDG14	SDG15	SDG16	SDG17	
	Poverty	Hunger and agriculture	Health	Education	Gender	Water	Energy	Growth and employment	Industrialization	Inequality	Cities	SCP	Climate change	Oceans	Terrestrial ecosystems	Inclusive societies	Peaceful and	Mols
World Bank - World Development Report 2004: Making Services Work for Poor People	4		4	4		3	3	2	2	3	2					5	4	
World Bank - World Development Report 2007: Development and the Next Generation	4		4	4	4			4		4						4		
UNDP-Human Development Report -The Rise of the South-(2013)	4		2	3				3	3	3						3	5	
UNDP - Human Development Report - 2014	5		4	4	2			3		3			2			4	3	
UNDP-Human Development Report - The Real Wealth of Nations: Pathways to Human Development	4		4	3	3			3		4			2				2	
OECD-FAO Agricultural Outlook 2014-2023 (2014)		5					3	4	2					4			5	
UNCTAD - Trade and Environment Review 2013	2	5				2	3	2				2	4		4	2	4	
FAO - State of Food insecurity in the World (2014)	4	5	3	2				2								4	2	
WHO - World Health Report 2013	3		5	2					4								4	
UNESCO Science Report (2010)				4				4	5	3							4	
UN-WOMEN-Progress of the World's Women 2011-2012 (2011)			3	2	5			3		4						5		
UNDP - Human Development Report 2006: Beyond scarcity: Power, poverty and the global water crisis	4	4	2			5		2	2	3			2				3	
IWMI - Water for food Water for life: Summary for policy-makers (2007)	3	5				5	2		2				2		3		2	
IIASA - Global Energy Assessment (2012)	4		4			4	5	3	3	2	4		4		3		4	
IRENA - Renewable Energy and Jobs (2013)				4	4		5	5									2	
IMF - World Economic outlook 2013								5										
World Bank - World Development Report 2013: Jobs	4	2		2	3			5	3	2	2					4	2	
UNDESA - World Economic and Social Survey 2011: The Great Green technological transformation	2	4					5	3	4			2	4		2		4	
OECD - Perspectives on Global Development 2013 : Industrial Policies in a Changing World				4				4	5								4	
World Bank - World Development Report 2006: Equity and Development	5		3	3	2	2		4	2	5						5	4	
IOM - World Migration Report (2013)	2		2	2				3		5							2	
UN Habitat - State of Women in Cities 2012-2013: Gender and the Prosperity of Cities (2013)	2		2	2	5	2		4	4	3	5						2	
UN Habitat - Global Report on Human Settlements 2013	2		2				2		4	3	5		2					
World Bank - World Development Report 2010: Development and Climate Change	3	2	2			2	4	2	2	2	2	2	5	2	2		5	
UNDP - Human Development Report 2007-2008: Fighting climate change-Human solidarity in a divided world	3	2	2	2		2	3	2	2	3		2	5		2		4	
IPCC: Assessment Report 5 (AR5): WGIII-Mitigation of Climate Change (2014)		3	3				3		3		3		5		3		3	
IPCC: Assessment Report 5 (AR5): WGII-Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability: Technical Summary	3	3	3	3		3	3		3				5	3	3		3	
UNEP - Green Economy in a Blue World (2012)	2	2					4	3				4	4	5			3	
Census of Marine Life: Summary for policy-makers (2010)														5			3	
FAO - State of the World's Forests 2014	3	2	2		2		3	3		2		2			5	2	4	
FAO-Global Forest Resources Assessment (2010):				2				4				3			5		4	
UNEP - Global Environment Outlook 5: Environment for the future we want (2012)	2	3	2			4	3		2		2	4	4	4	5		4	
CBD-Global Biodiversity Outlook (GBO 4)-2014		2	2			3		2			2	2	2	2	5		3	
World Bank - World Development Report 2011: Conflict, Security, and Development (2001)			2	2	2			3		2						5	5	
UNDP - Human Development Report: International Cooperation at a Crossroads: Aid , Trade and Security	3		2	3	2			2		4						4	5	
UNDESA - World Economic and Social Survey: Retooling Global Development (2010)	3	2						4		2			2				5	

Assessment of Assessments - The challenge?

- Extremely large scope of report:
 - 17 SDGs, 43 Rio process issues/themes maintained by DSD
 - 150,000+ articles in sustainability science per year (> 6 times more than 10 years ago)
 - 1,000s of relevant assessments
 - More than 8,000 academic disciplines
 - More than 100 UN flagship publications and 23 outlook reports
 - Many national sustainable development reports
- Vs. limited space for the report
 - Only specific themes/ nexuses have been addressed each year
 - Very broad even at nexus level: e.g. climate, land, energy and food
 - Challenge may be different in the future, with 4-year report

How could disability be reflected in a GSDR?

- GSDR 2016 not finished, but disability reflected in:
 - Chapter 1, “ensuring that no one is left behind”
 - Chapter 4: inclusive institutions
- Based on contribution from Social Policy division in UNDESA
- Assessment of assessments nature:
 - report lists, refers to existing assessments
 - Does not enter too much into policy detail
- In the future: new methodology for the report
 - Disability addressed as relevant dimension of specific goals? (through different lenses, e.g. trends; emerging issues; measurement)

THANK YOU

Past editions of the GSDR and GSDR Briefs can be found here:

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