Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) Reports on Policy Trade-Offs

VNRs presented by **43 COUNTRIES**

Trade-offs mentioned by **23 COUNTRIES**

How are trade-offs reported by countries?

- General terms: 18
- Specific examples: 8
- Concrete solutions: 13
- Institutional mechanisms: 11

What terms are used in VNRs to refer to trade-offs or related concepts?

- Policy conflict
- At the cost of damage to (strategic) choice
- At the expense of
- Tensions
- Conflict of priorities/goals
- Complex interactions
- Potential consequences
- Negative externalities
- Negative impact/consequences
- Conflicting interests
- Prioritization
- Dilemmas
- Winners and losers

EXAMPLES

Country-specific experiences mentioned in VNRs

- What specific trade-offs have been identified?
  - In **BOTSWANA** road construction may lead to increased spread of HIV/AIDS
  - **DENMARK** states that job creation and increased employment may lead to increased income inequality

- How are trade-offs being addressed?
  - **BOTSWANA** invests some oil revenues to combat spread of HIV/AIDS

- How are trade-offs being identified?
  - **BELIZE** uses program budgeting as mechanism to inform national allocation of resources based on their Growth and Sustainable Development Strategy