

UN SYSTEM TASK TEAM ON THE POST-2015 UN DEVELOPMENT AGENDA



Realizing the Future We Want for All

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**Realizing the Future We Want for All
UNTT Report to the Secretary-General**



The report contains the main findings and recommendations of the UN System Task Team to the Secretary-General on the post-2015 UN development agenda

There are 60 organizations represented in the UN System Task Team

The Report is to serve as a point of reference for further consultations

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Lessons learned from the Millennium Development Goals

- Retain the format of concrete, precise and clear goals, targets and indicators
- The focus on human development and the eradication of poverty should remain at the core of the new agenda
- Balance between realism and ambition
- Include general guidelines for policy coherence without being prescriptive
- Global goals that are universally applicable should allow for target settings at regional, national and sub-national conditions in adherence to international frameworks



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Global challenges

- Persistent inequalities
- food and nutrition insecurity
- Knowledge challenge
- Shifting demographics (sustainable urbanization and ageing)
- Growing environmental footprints (natural disasters, energy, water, oceans)
- Peace and security issues
- Governance and accountability deficits at the global, regional, national and sub-national levels



Urgent need to find new development pathways that encourage creativity and innovation in the pursuit of inclusive, equitable and sustainable development

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Vision: The Future We Want for All

- A new vision of transformative change towards inclusive, people-centered and sustainable development is needed
- Should build on the values outlined in the Millennium Declaration....
- ...and based on three fundamental principles: respect for human rights, equality and sustainability



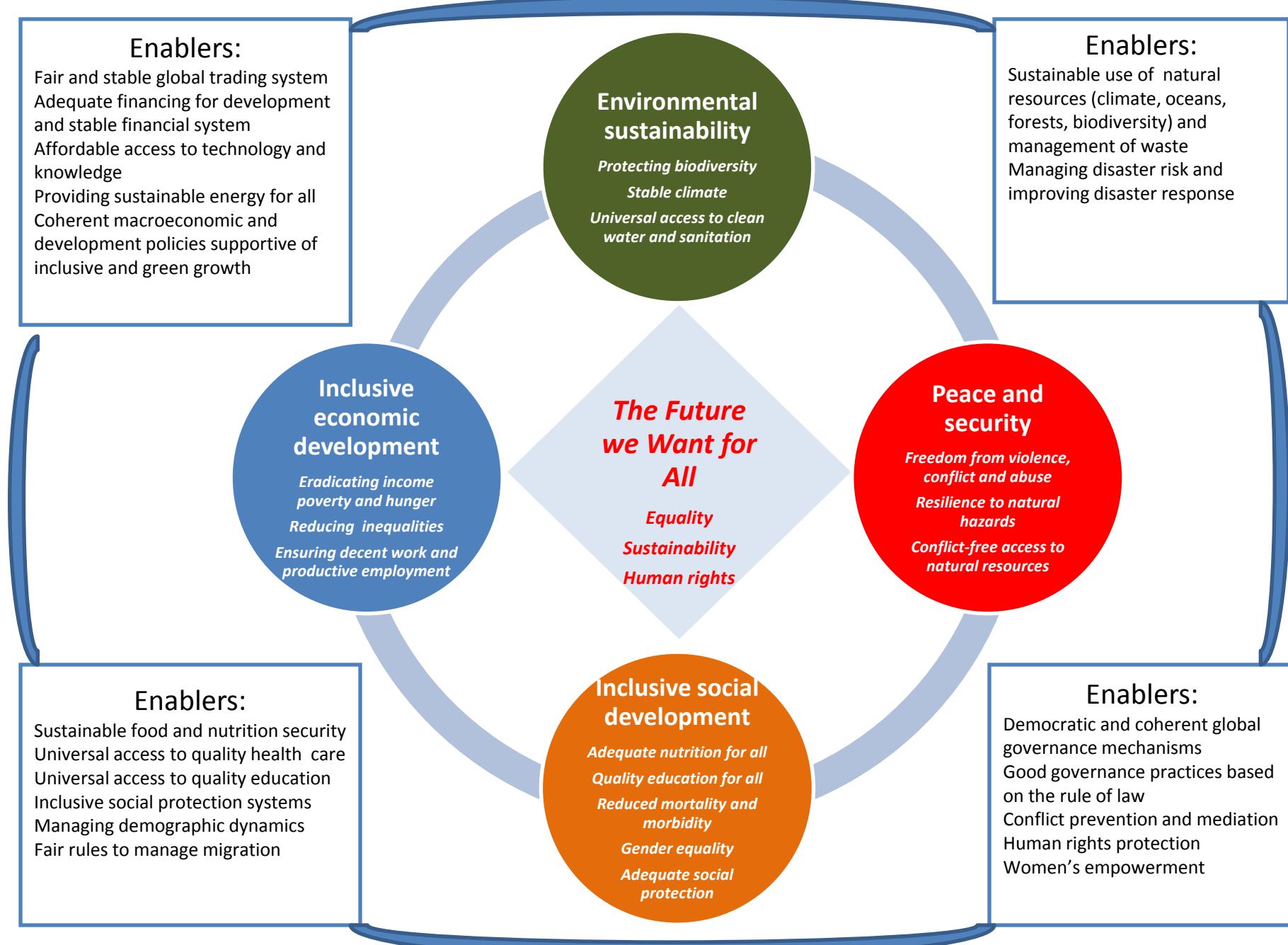
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Vision: The Future We Want for All

- A high degree of policy coherence at the global, regional, national and sub-national levels is required
- A core set of 'development enablers' can guide policy coherence without making the post-2015 global agenda overly prescriptive
- Goals along four interdependent dimensions: inclusive economic development, inclusive social development, environmental sustainability, and peace and security





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Shaping the global development agenda

Three dangers should be avoided:

- Overloading
- Overt prescription or vagueness
- Donor centrism



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**Shaping the global development
agenda**

A limited set of goals relevant
to all countries

....with shared responsibilities among countries
.... adapted to national and local contexts in line
with internationally agreed standards
....and inclusive to build partnerships with multiple
stakeholders: civil society, private sector, philanthropy



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Consideration should be given
to a longer time horizon
(15 to 25 years)



... to allow for major transformational changes
... and include intermediate targets (5 years)
to review interim progress and adjust long-term goals
... with a combination of absolute and relative targets
... to take population dynamics and different demographic
structures across countries and regions into account

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The Way Forward

Member States are to provide guidance on the process for the formulation of the post-2015 development agenda



There is wide recognition that the process must be open, inclusive and in consultation with all stakeholders

And consistent with the formulation of the Sustainable Development Goals

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The Way Forward

Inter-governmental processes
will serve as milestones towards the post-2015 UN
development agenda:

2012 High-Level Meeting on the Rule of Law

2013 High-Level Dialogue on International Migration and Development

2014 20-year review of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population
and Development

2014 Financing for Development review conference

2014 Development Cooperation Forum

2015 World Conference on Disaster Reduction

2015 10-year Review of the World Summit of the Information Society

2015 Commemoration of the 20th Anniversary of the Beijing World Conference on Women

..... among others



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SDGs from the text of the Rio+20 Outcome Document

- incorporate in a balanced way all three dimensions of sustainable development and their inter-linkages
- contribute to the implementation of the outcomes of all major summits in the economic, social and environmental fields
- consistent with international law,
- build upon commitments already made,
- should be coherent with and integrated into the United Nations development agenda beyond 2015,

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SDGs in the Rio+20 Outcome Document

- sustainable development goals should be action oriented
- concise and easy to communicate,
- limited in number
- aspirational
- global and universally applicable
- taking into account different national realities, capacities and levels of development
- progress towards the achievement of the goals needs to be assessed by targets and indicators

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SDGs in the Rio+20 Outcome Document

- developing global sustainable development goals through an inclusive and transparent intergovernmental process that is open to all stakeholders

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