

PART III: GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING ON INDICATORS FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

Background

The Johannesburg Plan of Implementation (JPOI) and the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD), at its 11th session, re-affirmed the importance of indicators for sustainable development and encouraged further work on indicators for sustainable development by countries at the national level, including integration of gender aspects, on a voluntary basis, in line with national conditions and priorities.

Questions

1. Do you have a national programme or initiative to develop and/or use indicators for sustainable development?

- ☐ Yes
☐ No (Please describe your plans to develop such a programme or initiative).

The Ministry of Environment and Physical Planning is planning to start the activity to identify the National Indicators for Sustainable Development in the Republic of Macedonia. Therefore, it put this activity in its Working Programme for 2004, and will provide some financial support for identification and establishment of national indicators for sustainable development.

If yes:

- (i) When was it established? _____
(ii) What is the name of the programme or initiative?

(iii) What are the specific areas of sustainable development for which your country is developing or monitoring indicators?

In many fields of sustainable development there are some indicators, for example: environment, health, economy, poverty, demography, etc.

(iv) Have you developed a set of indicators of sustainable development in your country?

- ☐ Yes
X No

If yes, please describe the status:

- ☐ Agreed set of indicators

- ☐ Draft set of indicators
- ☐ Other _____

2. Is there an established coordinating mechanism in the country at the national level for indicators for sustainable development?

- ☐ National Commission/Council on Sustainable Development
- ☐ Steering Committee
- ☐ Inter-agency/Ministerial Working Group
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ None

3. Do you participate in any regional or international programmes on indicators of sustainable development?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

If yes, please provide the names of these programmes:

4. What are the 3 most difficult problem areas in the establishment of indicators of sustainable development in your country? Please indicate the order of priority.

- ☐ 1. Training in methodologies relating to indicators of sustainable development
- ☐ Communication with other agencies responsible for indicators
- ☐ Basic data and/or statistics – quality and quantity
- ☐ Human resources
- ☐ 2. Financial resources
- ☐ Information management system, including equipment
- ☐ Monitoring mechanisms
- ☐ 3. Governmental Commitment

5. Please provide the name of a contact person responsible for indicators of sustainable development.

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