



Developing a 10 Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption and Production:

A Review of Options for the Institutional Structure

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Some challenges for the 10YFP

- Responses to national and regional priorities not coordinated or coherent
- SCP not well integrated into work of economics and line ministries
- Scarce resources not fully aligned with priorities
- Existing expertise, knowledge and resources not tapped fully
- Less than full participation of stakeholders in processes

Some further challenges

- Related initiatives not linked
- Potential of relevant UN Agencies not realised
- Limited ability to respond to emerging issues and changing circumstances
- No process for reviewing progress

Models Reviewed for institutional structure

Six examples of international cooperation and collaboration were reviewed, namely:

- •Marrakech Process model: Global informal process on SCP
- •SAICM model: Strategic Approach to International Chemicals Management
- •UN-Water, -Energy, -Oceans model: Inter-agency coordination mechanisms
- •GAVI model: Global Alliance for Vaccine and Immunization
- •MDGs model: Millennium Development Goals
- •CGIAR model: Consultative Group on International Agricultural Research.

Review Performance Criteria

The models were reviewed against nine criteria:

- Global focus for common vision and goals
- Science base and policy interface
- Support national and regional initiatives
- Broad participation of stakeholders
- Effective coherence within the UN system
- Flexibility
- Effectiveness/scale of impact in achieving its goals
- Incentives to continuous improvement
- Leveraging of resources and action

Review finds correlation between effective delivery and:

- (i) high level commitment and formal involvement of a broad range of stakeholders;
- (ii) specificity of goals and objectives;
- (iii) a formal review/reporting system; and
- (iv) secure and predictable funding.

Member States will decide

 To what extent and through which institutional arrangements do SCP initiatives need to be coordinated globally to support national and regional priorities in a way that speeds up the required shift towards SCP patterns?

 What sort of structure would be best suited to ensuring that the 10YFP delivers the functions Member States want it to deliver?

The following elements could be considered:

To mainstream at national level:

create cross-ministry SCP task force with strong economics ministry participation

To mainstream at the regional level:

- Build regional SCP knowledge hubs around regional SCP fora and centres;
- enhance role of regional commissions in SCP implementation

To mainstream at the international level:

- Engage UN agencies, other int'l organizations as champions of SCP programmes in their respective areas of expertise
- •Build **Global SCP Alliances/Partnerships** to take lead in areas where international institutions have no comparative advantage
- Link champions and partnerships to regional networks through pooled technical services, training and capacity building
- Undertake coordinated research into aspects of SCP still not well understood, linked to regional priorities coordinated by a panel of government and other experts
- Mobilize resources for priority SCP initiatives through multi-agency, multi-donor trust fund
- Periodically review progress on 10YFP through intergovernmental process

Based on the **most effective and successful features** of the reviewed models, the following elements are suggested:

- Focus for SCP and mainstreaming at national level formal designation of focal points (SAICM)
- High level and formal involvement of a broad range of stakeholders in setting priorities and responding to emerging issues, for example through a global forum (SAICM, MDG)
- Coordination and coherence through a dedicated secretariat, possibly with a lead agency (SAICM, Marrakech Process)

- Formal UN agency collaborative arrangements through an Inter-agency coordination mechanism (SAICM and UN Water model)
- Formal review/reporting system with measures of success (CGIAR)
- Aligning funding with priorities through multidonor Trust Fund (SAICM QSP, GAVI)
- Coordination at the regional level regional fora (Marrakech Process, SAICM)
- Pooling of expertise network of regional centres of expertise (CGIAR)