

# Czech Republic: Taking Action for Sustainable Development

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## What are the bold actions being taken by the Government to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals in the Czech Republic?

In an effort to improve the quality of life, the [Strategic Framework of the Czech Republic 2030](#), which integrates the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) into national priorities, aims to focus on essential values that matter to people, rather than economic factors.

Taking a new approach to connecting two key concepts—sustainable development and quality of life—the Government of the Czech Republic believes that

enhancing the quality of life means improving people's access to good healthcare and wellbeing, quality education, work-life balance, sustainable environment and also personal safety in the community. "Quality of life" is to become one of the core indicators of measuring sustainability. It is also expected to replace the conventional macroeconomic index, such as GDP.

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consultation with more than 200 stakeholders from the public and private sectors, civil society, and academia.

The strategy builds on six priority areas: 1) people and society; 2) economic growth; 3) development of municipalities and regions; 4) conservation of ecosystems and resilience; 5) global development and; 6) good governance.

The Strategic Framework includes indicators to monitor progress, based on the analyses of the current megatrends in both national and international development policies.

The Framework, for example, stresses the importance of digitalizing work, reducing socio-economic inequalities, coping with an ageing society and tackling climate change.

The analyses of these urgent issues are crucial not only for policy makers but will help all stakeholders understand and prepare for the future and enable them to tackle those issues.

## ***Why do the above actions matter to the people in the Czech Republic?***

In pursuing a more sustainable future for the people, there is a growing recognition in the Government that the quality of people's lives matter and needs to be an integral part in the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The Government estimates that the framework strategy will provide a better assessment of the quality of life for more than ten million people in the country.

With the base line for the national goals set by all main stakeholders involved in the preparatory phase of the framework, the country is making significant progress to generate positive impacts at national as well as municipal levels.

## ***What SDGs have been particularly advanced?***

The Strategic Framework of the Czech Republic 2030 is contributing to the

implementation of all SDGs in the country. However, the main focus is on Goal 17: Revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development.



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