

SDGs and Post 2015 Agenda



**UNEP Major Groups and Stakeholders
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Member State-led process



Open Working Group on SDGs:

- Total Eighth Sessions of the OWG SDG March 2013 to February 2014:
 - 25 issues, from Rio+20
- Most member states focusing on “integration”, but there are different definitions

Next round: 5 sessions to develop goals and targets

Most contentious issues:

- Architecture of the SDGs : prioritization or consolidation ?
- How to cover rule of law, governance, peace and security
- Universality vs CBDR
- SD Finance (parallel workstream)
- Other Means of Implementation

Requests to UNTST

- UNEP Co-lead on 5 Focus Areas
- Contributing to all others
- UNDG consultations





- UNEP's contributions to the Post-2015/SDGs processes based on the **'Integrated Framework'**
 - Convergence between MDG and Rio processes
 - An integrated approach to sustainable development
 - Environment an integral part – foundation of development

UNEP Post 2015 Discussion Paper 1 (July 2013)



Embedding the Environment in Sustainable Development Goals



- Conceptual work
 - ✓ 22 top environmental challenges relevant to the SDGs (i.e. interlinked to top social and economic agendas either as risks or as opportunities)
 - ✓ Criteria and methodology for developing interlinked targets and indicators





Collaboration with Multilateral Environmental Agreements (MEAs):

- Defining “building on existing commitments” (Rio+20)
- Matrix of GEGs and top environmental challenges
- Matrix of GEGs and OWG Co-Chairs’ 19 Focus Areas

Next :

- Lessons from MEAs for monitoring, reporting and accountability
- Side event at UNEA



United Nations
Framework Convention on
Climate Change



Civil Society



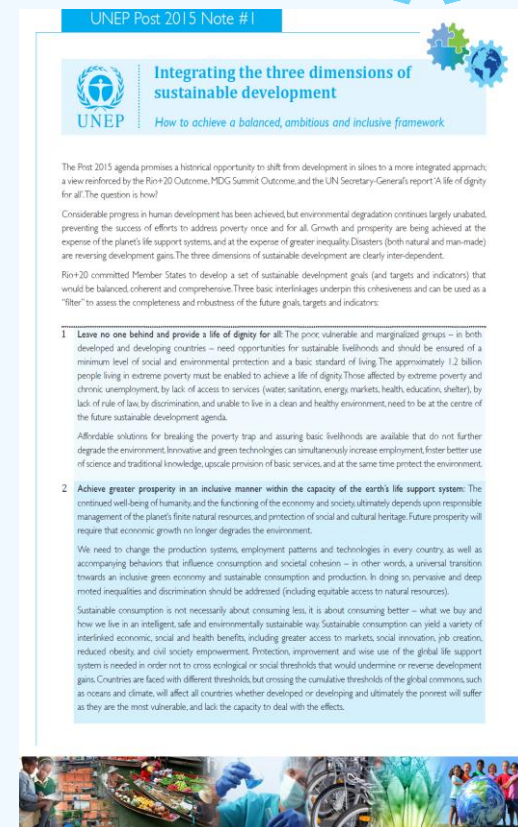
- Science community (ICSU, Future Earth, TERI, CG system, and more)
- SDSN proposals
- Global Compact, WBCSD
- Independent Research Forum for Post 2015 (IRF)
- Informal “Like-minded Group”

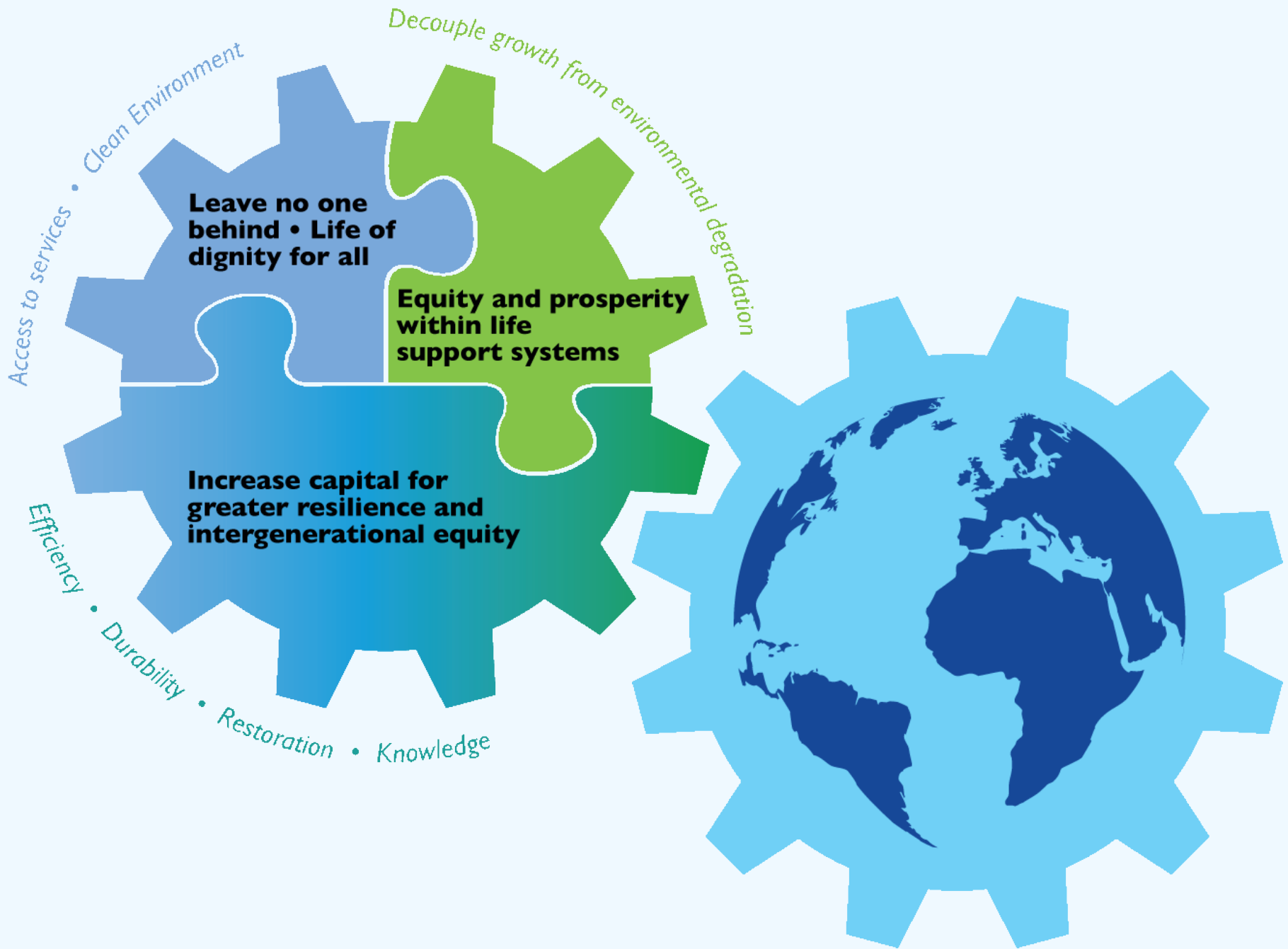
Key products



UNEP Post 2015 Note No. 1: The “how to” of achieving an integrated agenda

- Leave no one behind and provide a life of dignity for all
- Achieve greater prosperity within the capacity of the earth’s life support system in an inclusive manner
- Investing in new capital should achieve greater resilience and secure future generations’ livelihoods



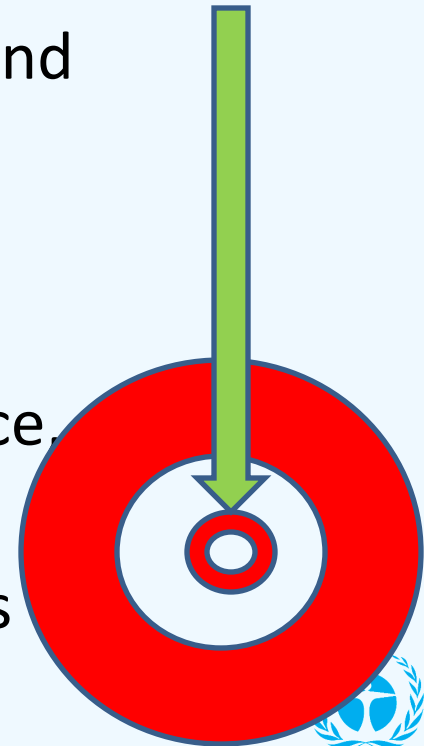




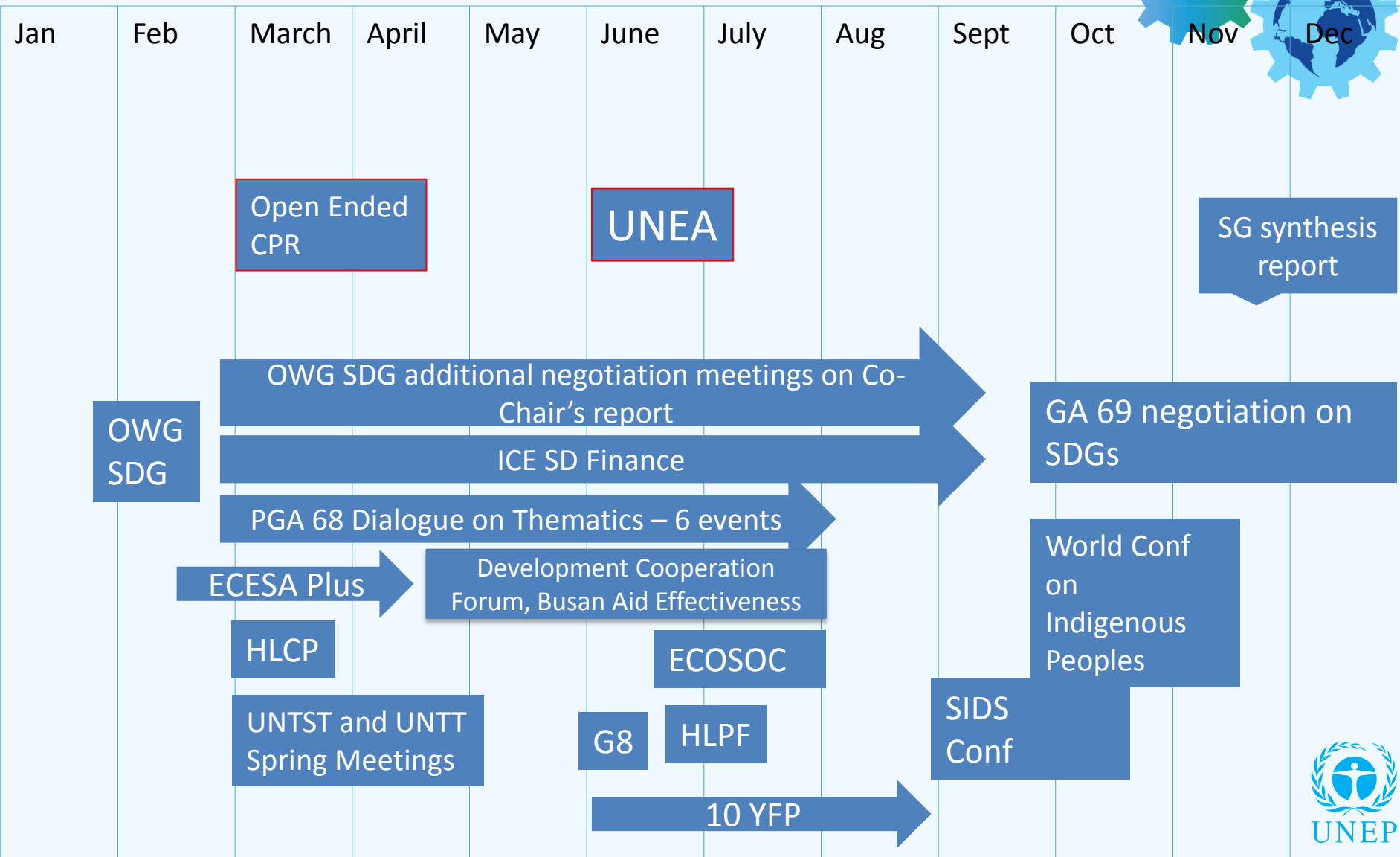
- 2-pagers on other key themes (by end March 2014):
 - Green employment and Poverty Eradication
 - Natural Capital and Poverty Eradication
 - Inequality from an environment perspective
 - SCP
 - Health and Environment
 - Environment and Resilient and Peaceful Societies
 - Access to information, monitoring, reporting



- Potential Interlinked Targets and indicators
 - Identify interlinkages between top environmental, social and economic risks and opportunities
 - Filter through the interlinkages trilogy to ensure comprehensiveness and coherence
 - Filter through 3 more criteria (GEGs, Science, Measurability)
 - Develop composite or integrated indicators



Road Map 2014





- **Regional and national activities**
 - Collaboration with Regional Commissions
 - AU Common Position
 - Asia Pacific
 - Expect: regional meetings in support of HLPF

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- High Level Segment (6 hours of debate on SDGs/Post 2015, including SCP)
 - UNEP Background Document : “Environmental sustainability for Human Well-being in the Post 2015 Agenda”, focusing on stocktaking, an Integrated Framework for SDGs and Post 2015 Agenda, examples of integrated solutions
 - Possibility of inclusion in UNEA Declaration
 - Linking UNEA and HLPF
- Symposium on Finance
- Exhibit on Sustainability Solutions
- Launching/adding to Rio+20 Commitments Log
- Side events, key note speeches
- Webinars, other media products



Thank you

