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Reporting the work on SDGs:

1. UN-Secretary-General SDG report 2016

The 2nd High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development has taken place in New York on July 11th to 20th 2016

The High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development is United Nations central platform for the follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Sustainable Development Goals, adopted at the United Nations Sustainable Development Summit on 25 September 2015.

The Forum, which adopts a Ministerial Declaration, is expected to provide political leadership, guidance and recommendations on the 2030 Agenda's implementation and follow-up; keep track of progress of the SDGs; spur coherent policies informed by evidence, science and country experiences; as well as address new and emerging issues.

UN-Secretary General's Report on the progress of the work on the SDGs (from July 19th 2016):

<http://unstats.un.org/sdgs/files/report/2016/secretary-general-sdg-report-2016--EN.pdf>

2. Action for Sustainable Development:



**ACTION FOR SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT**

A global civil society platform to engage with the sustainable development agenda

'Action for Sustainable Development' is an ambitious new platform that already brings together over 500 civil society organisations and activists from around the world, particularly from the Global South. This platform aims to raise awareness, build a community, hold governments accountable and share knowledge on efforts to monitor and implement the Sustainable Development Goals and Paris Climate Agreement.

As part of its programme at the HLPF (high Level Political Forum UN), the Action for Sustainable Development platform collected summaries from national civil society organizations within the 22 countries that volunteered to be reviewed by the HLPF.

A report provides an overview of how civil society is already engaging with the HLPF at the national level to help monitor the SDGs. Report: <http://action4sd.org/tools-resources/>

This platform aims to raise awareness, build a community, hold governments accountable and share knowledge on the new agenda. More information for your work: <http://action4sd.org/about/>

3. UNRIC (United Nations Regional Information Centre for Western Europe): What is my country doing to implement the sustainable development goals?

Who is UNRIC?

The United Nations Regional Information Centre (UNRIC) is organized into nine geographical & thematic desks and a library. UNRIC works with all stake holders in Europe - the European Union institutions, governments, all segments of the civil society and of course the media. UNRIC aims to inform but also to engage Europeans in issues of global reach.

Here you will find your countries report on efforts for the SDGs:

<http://www.unric.org/en/latest-un-buzz/30100-sustainable-development-goals-online-portal-enables-access-to-data-on-participating-countries-national-initiatives->

4. OECD: Better policies for 2030- AN OECD Action plan on the SDG's

The OECD presented its strategic action plan for the SDGs to ministers from member countries on the meeting in Paris this June. The action plan is divided into four broad areas.

First, OECD will apply the SDG lens to the entire scope of the OECD's work and existing strategies. Some OECD work already has been integrated into the SDGs, and it will continue to follow this approach.

Second, OECD will improve the evidence base and statistics capacity here and in individual countries to help monitor SDG progress.

Third, OECD will upgrade its support for integrated planning and policy making at the country level and provide a platform for governments to share experiences related to the SDGs. Sharing lessons will be vital as we move forward.

And finally, OECD will make the SDGs part and parcel of its external relations with non-member countries. OECD will offer our assistance to those who need it and do its best to make sure no one is left behind.

<https://www.oecd.org/dac/OECD-action-plan-on-the-sustainable-development-goals-2016.pdf>

5. Reporting on SDG's: IISD Reporting Services



Who is IISD (International Institute for SD)?

IISD is an independent, non-profit organisation that provides practical solutions to the challenge of integrating environmental and social priorities with economic development.

IISD: Tracking the implementation of the intergovernmental sustainable development Agenda

<http://www.iisd.org/>

6. European Commission/Environment:

Beyond GDP: Measuring progress, true wealth and well-being

The Beyond GDP initiative is about developing indicators that are as clear and appealing as GDP, but more inclusive of environmental and social aspects of progress.

This website updates on recent developments and ongoing work.

http://ec.europa.eu/environment/beyond_gdp/news_en.html

7. Global e-sustainability Initiative, GeSI:



GeSI is the leading source for impartial, credible information on existing and emerging issues in the area of ICT and sustainability. GeSI provides its members, industry stakeholders, policymakers, the corporate community and the general public with access to thought leadership, tools and best practices for social and environmental sustainability. It communicates about its thought leadership to a wide stakeholder audience through press releases, articles, stakeholder conferences and seminars, and other means. Consult our articles below as well as its portfolio for further information about GeSI projects and initiatives.

Recently GeSI released the report on 'System Transformation – how digital solutions will drive progress towards sustainable development goals'.

Link to the summary report:

http://systemtransformation-sdg.gesi.org/160608_GeSI_SystemTransformation.pdf

SDG 4: Quality Education



8. UNESCO Launches Education Atlas for Monitoring SDG 4

<http://www.uis.unesco.org/Education/Pages/sdg4-eatlas-launch.aspx>

July 18th 2016: The UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) launched a collection of interactive maps presenting global and thematic indicators to monitor achievement of the targets in Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 4, which calls to “Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all.”

The ‘eAtlas for Education 2030’ is automatically updated as data for each indicator become available, UNESCO announces. The data illustrate literacy and proficiency levels, enrolment and completion rates, and other indicators related to education quality and provision, such as budget allocations, gender equity and school safety.

The UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) produced the map collection and is working with partners including the Global Alliance to Monitor Learning, and the Technical Cooperation Group on SDG 4 – Education 2030 Indicators. In a press release, UNESCO highlights UIS’ mandate to produce internationally comparable indicators, and underscores the value of the data for countries developing their own monitoring frameworks.

9. OECD: Global Competency for an inclusive world

The basic document of OECD for assessment of SDG 4.7, describing the framework of assessment, defining the terms ‘competency’ (OECD definition) and ‘competency for an all inclusive world’ and explaining its assessment in the next PISA evaluation.

<https://www.oecd.org/pisa/aboutpisa/Global-competency-for-an-inclusive-world.pdf>

New initiatives, new platforms – getting active for the SDGs

10. Green Growth Knowledge Platform

<http://www.greengrowthknowledge.org/>



The Green Growth Knowledge Platform (GGKP) is a global partnership of international organisations and experts that identifies and addresses major knowledge gaps in green growth theory and practice. Founded by the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the World Bank, the GGKP draws together close to 50 partner organisations.

11. #WASHforWork: New initiative to support business action towards Sustainable Development Goals on universal access to water and sanitation introduced on the occasion of World Water Day

<http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/blog/2016/03/businesses-show-sdg-support-with-new-washforwork-initiative/>

Meetings and Conferences:

12. 'IISD reporting services' offers a platform for upcoming events dealing with the implementation of the SDGs: <http://sd.iisd.org/events/>

13. AAEE (Australian Association for Environmental Education) Conference 2016:
'Tomorrow making – our present to the future'

19th Biennial Conference in Adelaide, October 5-7th 2016. For more information visit:
<http://www.aeee2016.com/program.php/>