Agenda on Global Sustainable Development post-2015

Swiss engagement and priorities

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- **Actual:** 2 main processes, many sub-processes
- **Target:** 1 global (Sustainable) Development Agenda → 1 Goal Framework
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Key Elements of a Swiss Position

- **Convergence** of SDG- and Post-MDG-agendas
- **Evidence-base** = MDGs, Agenda 21, scientific expertise, Task Team Report + planetary and social boundaries
- **Integrate the MDGs**, suitably modified/updated, into a larger sustainable development framework
- **Address all dimensions of sustainability** as well as Peace & Security (reflection within each SDG, possibly through the associated targets)
- **Three principles** (according to UN System Task Team report): (i) reducing inequalities and (ii) promoting human rights (iii) ensuring sustainability
- **Universality** but allowing for differentiated approaches among countries
- Inclusion of relevant actors and financing flows **beyond aid**
- Limited number, communicable, action oriented, time-bound
- Clear and measurable targets and indicators, reporting mechanism
Private Sector Involvement in the Post-2015 Debate

Input from private sector is key for a new agenda, because:

- the post 2015 agenda will be global, applicable to all countries
- Emerging economies will play a key role
- Private investment is a driver (for bad and good)
- Beyond aid: FDI vs. ODA
- Innovative multistakeholder partnerships are needed
- Scaling up practical experience

- Opportunities for a dialogue
  - UN Global Compact plays a key lead as convener
  - Local networks bring together experiences
  - Involvement of private sector in national process
  - Private sector representatives in High-Level Panel
Enabling Environment for (Green, Equitable) Growth

**Key issues** *(discussed at High-level Panel – Private Sector exchange, London, 2.11.2012)*

- **Infrastructure:** access to roads, land, energy, etc.
- **Education system:** skilled and entrepreneurial workforce
- **Gender equality:** women’s rights and access to finance and land
- **Rule of law:** fight corruption
- **Beyond aid:** FDI vs. ODA
- **Responsible business practices:** e.g. tax transparency, sustainability
- **Innovation and new technology:** Capacity and Know-how in the South
- **Jobs and livelihoods:** risks from climate change and resource scarcity

- Strengthened partnerships
- Commitments to address specific goals
- New MDG/SDG global agreement
- Delivery on goals
Thank you for your attention and feedbacks!
Annex

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Bellagio One-World Goals

1. Inclusive Growth

2. Food & Water

3. Education & Skills

4. Health

5. Gender Equality

6. Environmental Sustainability

7. Security

8. Resilient Communities

9. Infrastructure

10. Civil & Political Rights

11. Global Governance
SDSN Thematic Groups (http://unsdsn.org/thematicgroups/)

1. Macroeconomics, Population Dynamics, and Planetary Boundaries
2. Poverty Reduction and Peace-Building in Fragile Regions
3. Challenges of Social Inclusion: Gender, Inequalities, and Human Rights
4. Early Childhood Development, Education, and Transition to Work
5. Health for All
6. Low-Carbon Energy and Sustainable Industry
7. Sustainable Agriculture and Food Production
8. Forests, Oceans, Biodiversity, and Ecosystem Services
9. Smart, Sustainable, and Resilient Cities
10. Good Governance of Extractive and Land Resources
11. Global Rules and Mechanisms for Sustainable Development
12. Redefining the Role of Business for Sustainable Development