The 10-Year Framework of Programmes on Sustainable Consumption & Production

Opportunities and challenges for civil society engagement.

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The challenge:

60% of ecosystems are now damaged or being used unsustainably

3°C or more rise in temperature by the end of the century, due to doubling of GHG emissions by 2050, under BAU.

2 to 3 billion additional middle class consumers by 2030

140 billion tonnes of global extraction of natural resources per year if consumption stays at current rates

But also: Over- and underconsumption – no justice!

What is SCP?

Sustainable Consumption and Production (SCP) is about "the use of services and related products, which respond to basic needs and bring a better quality of life while minimizing the use of natural resources and toxic materials as well as the emissions of waste and pollutants over the life cycle of the service or product so as not to jeopardize the needs of further generations".

(Oslo symposium, 1994)

SCP should not focus only on promoting green consumption, but has to take into account justice and equity aspects.
The Rio outcome promotes **Sustained Growth** – which is incompatible with Sustainable Development and/or SCP, thus the 10YFP

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**Marrakech Process: Outcomes**

- **Development of regional SCP Strategies**: in Africa, Asia Pacific, Latin America, Europe and West Asia.
- **Development of National SCP Programmes through capacity building and implementation** over 15 countries.
- **Seven Task Forces**: voluntary initiatives led by governments, in cooperation with multi-stakeholder partners that focus on developing and implementing SCP policies, business management practices, consumer action, capacity building and projects.
- **Over 70 initiatives on SCP with 33 demonstration and pilot projects implemented worldwide**.

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**Rio+20 adopts the 10YFP**

Paragraph 226.

“We adopt the 10-year framework of programmes on sustainable consumption and production patterns, as contained in document A/CONF.216/5, and highlight that the programmes included in the 10-year framework are voluntary. We invite the General Assembly, at its sixty-seventh session, to designate a Member State body to take any necessary steps to fully operationalize the framework.”

The Future we Want: Rio+20 Outcome Document
It is a global framework of action to enhance international cooperation to accelerate the shift towards SCP in both industrialised and industrialising countries.

"Fundamental changes in the way societies produce and consume are indispensable for achieving global sustainable development.... Governments, relevant international organizations, the private sector and all major groups should play an active role in changing unsustainable consumption and production patterns."

(A/CONF.216/5, para 1.a)

What is the 10YFP?

10YFP Main Objectives

- Accelerate the shift towards SCP in all countries by supporting regional and national policies and initiatives.
- Increase resource efficiency and decouple economic growth from environmental degradation, creating decent job and economic opportunities, contributing to poverty eradication and shared prosperity.
- Support capacity building and facilitate access to financial and technical assistance for developing countries, supporting the implementation of SCP activities at the regional, sub-regional and national levels.
- Serve as an information and knowledge sharing platform on SCP to enable all stakeholders to exchange policies, tools, initiatives and best practices, enhancing cooperation.

10YFP Functions

- Promotion of the added value of SCP for all countries
- Supporting integration of SCP in decision-making at all levels
- Raising awareness and engaging civil society, including education for SCP
- Facilitating access to technical assistance, training, finance, technology and capacity-building, in particular for developing countries
- Making use of the scientific and policy knowledge base and relevant international science policy mechanisms
- Fostering innovation and new ideas, while increasing recognition of traditional knowledge contributing to SCP

10YFP Organisational Structure
National Focal Points

Could take the following role:

• Support the vision, objectives and goals of the 10YFP.
• Share information on the 10YFP and enhance interministerial and multistakeholder coordination.
• Be the focal point for the 10YFP Board and Secretariat.
• Contribute to the 10YFP implementation (e.g. national roundtable, projects, research, etc).
• Exchange and disseminate relevant information on SCP through inter alia, the Global SCP Clearinghouse.
• Clear the set of national proposals submitted to the Sec. to access Trust Fund resources (only for developing countries & economies in transition).

Stakeholder Focal Points

Nomination Process

Invitation to Major Groups of ECOSOC Organizing Partners and UNEP Facilitating Committees, the two groups together, need to nominate:

1 Global focal point and an alternate, and
5 Regional focal points and alternates (based on the UN Regional Groups), for each of the nine Major Groups.

• Open and transparent nomination process.
• Consultations are done by: NGOs, Business, Trade Unions, Women, Youth and Farmers.
• Deadline: was 30 Sept, now extended to 28 Oct. Soon decisions will be known.

Funding for functioning as Focal Point as however not foreseen...

Stakeholder Focal Points

Potential role of the stakeholder focal points:

• Support the mission, principles and objectives of the 10YFP;
• Act as an effective channel for communications on the 10YFP to their constituencies, and to the 10YFP Secretariat and Board;
• Share information on the SCP activities carried out by major groups
• Identify synergies and enhance cooperation with other 10YFP focal points and stakeholders;
• Contribute to the 10YFP implementation, providing expertise and encouraging their networks and partnerships to participate in implementation of the 10YFP.

A/CONF.216/5 para 8.

Initial List of Programmes:

“A flexible, initial and non-exhaustive list ... This indicative list builds on the experience gained through the Marrakech Process, including those areas identified in the regional SCP roundtables, strategies and action plans, inter alia: ”

i. Consumer information;
ii. Sustainable lifestyles and education;
iii. Sustainable public procurement;
iv. Sustainable buildings and construction;
v. Sustainable tourism, including ecotourism.
Programmes will serve as “umbrellas” that bring together existing and/or develop new initiatives and partnerships to fill capacity and knowledge needs and “gaps”.

They will build synergies and cooperation between stakeholders, and allow scaling up and replication of policies, voluntary measures, management practices, and partnerships promoting the shift to SCP patterns.

They will use a mix of policies and engage all stakeholders: governments, business, consumers and other major groups.

Programmes are expected to deliver capacity building and technical support as necessary/requested at all levels: regional, sub-regional, national and local.

10YFP Programmes

**Step 1:** Stock Taking & Consultations

**Step 2:** Key partners develop programme proposal

**Step 3:** Submission of template for on-line final comments

**Step 4:** Secretary validates & Board confirms

**Step 5:** Launching and implementation

A last message: SCP is not about buying more green stuff, is about changing lifestyles with well being for all as main objective!
”A developed country is not a place where the poor have cars. It’s where the rich use public transportation.”

…. says the mayor of Bogota..

Thanks !!
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