



**RIO+20**

United Nations  
Conference on  
Sustainable  
Development

***“Framework for Action: Engaging  
with the Post Rio+20 and  
Post-2015 processes*”**

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## Outline

- Two mandated processes: MDGs & SDGs
- One development framework? i.e. one coherent set of goals..?
- Role of major groups and other stakeholders



## **Two mandates for development goals**

### **Post 2015**

1. Post 2015 intergovernmental process (2013-2015)  
Non-interg'l prep process
1. Post 2015 HLP
2. Post 2015 UNMC

**UN Support & coordination through UN Task Team**

### **Rio+20 SDGs**

1. Open Working Group



## Post 2015 High Level Panel (SG process)

- 3 co-chairs : Indonesia and Liberia Presidents, UK Prime Minister
- 26 eminent members
- First meeting in NY 2 weeks ago – NGLS/UNMC CSO dialogue
- Next meeting of HLP in UK November 31 October -1 November – CSO dialogue on 2
- Joint Secretariat with UN Development Group



## Post 2015 UN Development Group (UNDP led)

- > 50 country consultations
  - First draft report by March
- 11 Thematic consultations (led by different UN Agencies)
  - Inequalities, growth & employment, health, education, environmental sustainability, food security & nutrition, governance, conflict & fragility, population dynamic, energy, & water)



## Post 2015 UNMC (autonomous campaign)

- Outreach and awareness raising
- Support UNDG with online dialogues and consultations
- [WorldWeWant2015.org](http://WorldWeWant2015.org) joint UN-CSO organized by Beyond2015 campaign and GCAP
  - All national consultation countries, etc online



# Post 2015 UN Development Agenda UN Task Team (UNDESA & UNDP)

- 60 entities of UN and beyond
- Report June 2012: Lessons from MDG: retain
  - concrete and transparent goals, targets and indicators,
  - focus on human development
  - balance realism with ambition
  - not prescriptive about the “means”, but guidance on the “how”
- Global goals but context-specific goals and priority setting



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→ **Urgent need for new pathways for sustainable global development**

- ...centred on **3 fundamental principles**:
  - ✓ respect for human rights
  - ✓ equality
  - ✓ Sustainability
- ... organized along **four interdependent dimensions**:
  - ✓ Inclusive social development
  - ✓ Inclusive economic development
  - ✓ Environmental sustainability
  - ✓ Peace and security





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- Broad consultations about vision and contours
- When seeking consensus 3 dangers to avoid:
  - Overloading
  - Overt prescription or vagueness
  - Donor centrism

A **limited set of goals** relevant to **all countries**

- with shared responsibilities
- adapted to national and local contexts
- while aligned with international agreements
- and inclusive to build partnerships with all stakeholders



# The Rio+20 Outcome

Launched an inclusive intergovernmental process to formulate **Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs)  
... through an Open Working Group of 30 representatives nominated by Member States

... with the resolution to coordinate and make the process consistent with the Post-2015 UN development agenda

.. through an inclusive and transparent intergovernmental process open to all stakeholders



# The Rio+20 Outcome

## SDGs as agreed at Rio+20:

- incorporate in a balanced way all three dimensions of SD and their inter-linkages
- contribute to the implementation of the outcomes of all major summits in the economic, social and environmental fields
- consistent with international law,
- build upon commitments already made,
- coherent with and integrated into the UN development agenda beyond 2015,
- Actions-oriented, concise and easy to communicate,
- limited in number



# The Rio+20 Outcome

## Two processes – two sets of goals???

- SG report A/67/257
  - One unified global development agenda post 2015 w SD at center
- Simultaneous national and thematic consultations would help bridge the 2 processes
  - Through UNTT?
- Discussion at CSD20 May 2012
- Convergence through fall 2013 PGA event

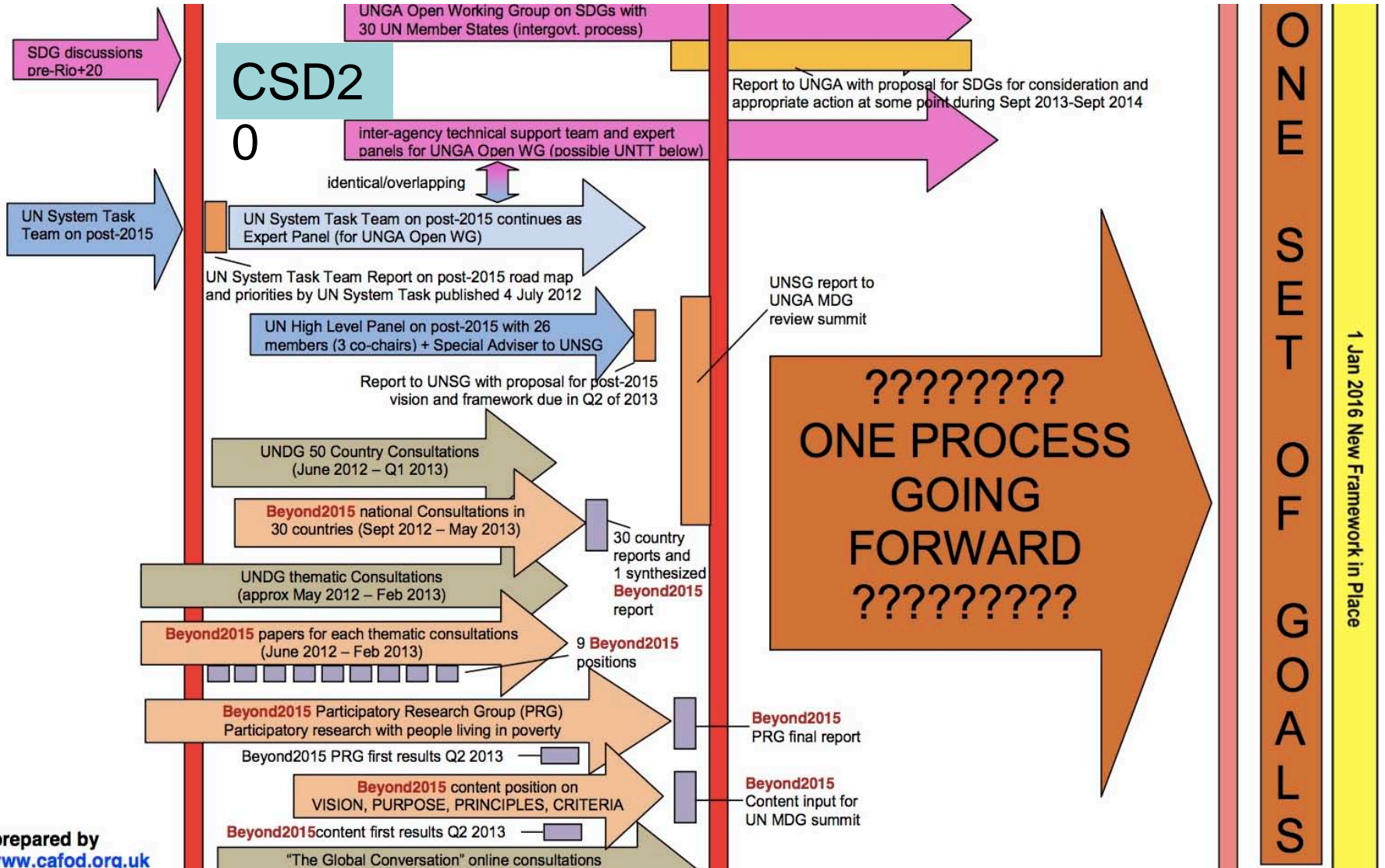
2012

2013

2014

2015

2016





- AG to the OWG
- Depending on where SDG report to
- Which depends on hlpf structure, housing, modalities
  - stakeholder participation needs codified in methods of work
- Capacity building workshops along side RIMs
- Friends of paras...47, 283 etc.
- Higher education sustainability initiative
- Involvement in 10 YFP on SCP
- Lobbying national government and missions in NY



## Rio+20 entry points/processes

1. SDGs intergov'l WG by 2013,  
- coord. with UN TF on post 2015
2. HLPF by 2013
3. Finance for SD by 2014
4. Technology by 2013
5. 10YFP on SCP by 2012
6. SG report on Future Generation
7. Upgrade UNEP
8. Oceans
9. Beyond GDP
10. Registry of voluntary commitments
11. Zero Hunger challenge
12. Volunteers for SD
13. Green Economy
14. Integration of 3D of SD



## Rio+20 processes questions

- HLPF to begin work Sept 2013 when OWG delivers proposal on SDGs
- Strengthening CSD and ECOSOC
- Hlpf Build on strengths of CSD but do better
  - Should SD be added to already overfull ECOSOC agenda.
  - SDGs could provide focus to Hlpf that CSD was missing
  - Without a house to follow up SD..will it go in oblivion like FfD?
  - Coherence requires reporting to some