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Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in ARGENTINA



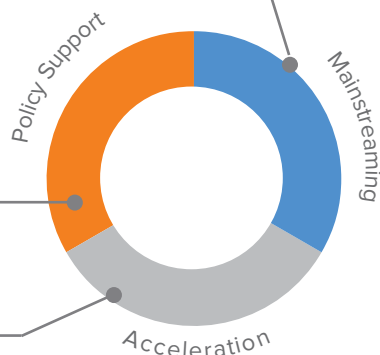
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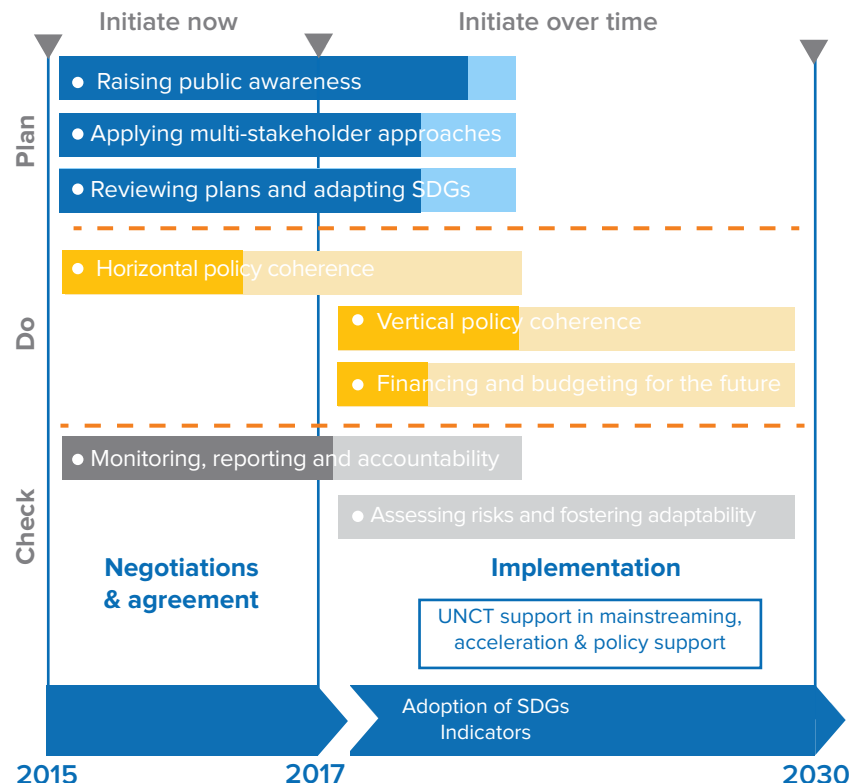
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.

Ensure skills and expertise in UN is made available.

Targeting national and UN resources at priority areas.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ By the signature of this agreement we are committed to develop different policies for improving quality of life and sustainable development. ”

Rosana Bertone
Governor of Tierra del Fuego.

Impact:

During 2016, both advocacy and technical assistance were provided by the UNCT for mainstreaming and adapting the 2030 Agenda. The UNCT participated in more than 25 dissemination events of the 2030 Agenda, targeting private sector, academics, public officials, legislators, youth, cities, and civil society organizations. This included: visiting the provinces, conducting regional workshops and participating in city forums; working with academic institutions; and interreligious dialogues. The UNCT presentation in Parliament culminated into the recent signature of commitment with the 2030 Agenda by members of Parliament.

Technical assistance was provided towards statistical analysis both at national and sub-national level for the monitoring of the SDGs such as: (i) good practices research data management in other countries; (ii) baseline studies in social programmes and decent work for SDG monitoring; (iii) sub-national gaps for the implementation of SDGs; (iv) human rights, gender and migration approaches mainstreamed in the 2030 Agenda and (v) Strategic Plan for the implementation and monitoring of the 2030 Agenda.

Measuring development:



The UNCT has gathered extensive statistical preliminary series on the 17 Goals and their targets as well as qualitative information, which has been shared with the national authorities, including the Statistical Institute. Additionally, the UNCT assisted the government in strengthening existing data and metadata reporting systems including reporting on key indicators and providing opportunities for both horizontal and vertical coordination.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Argentina:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Assistance provided to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems for information exchanges, including reporting on key indicators and providing opportunities for both horizontal and vertical coordination.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Guidance provided to the Government on how to conduct multi-stakeholder dialogue to assist with the process of engagement.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Reviewed existing strategies and plans at the national, sub-national and local levels to identify SDG gaps and development of recommendations how to overcome these gaps.

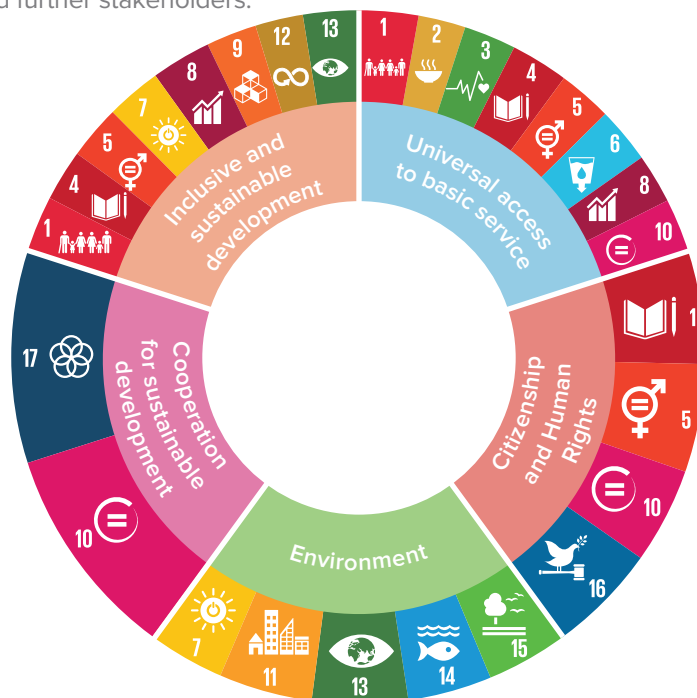


Financing and budgeting for the future

Took stock of the array of financing mechanism for the 2030 Agenda by considering all sources of financing as outlined in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Strategic Cooperation Framework for Sustainable Development defines how the UN will jointly achieve sustainable development results in partnership with the Government of Argentina and further stakeholders.



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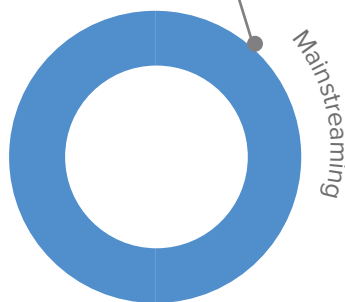
Support of the UN Sub-regional Team to the 2030 Agenda in BARBADOS AND THE OECS



The Government of Barbados and the OECS has requested support to the UN Sub-regional Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

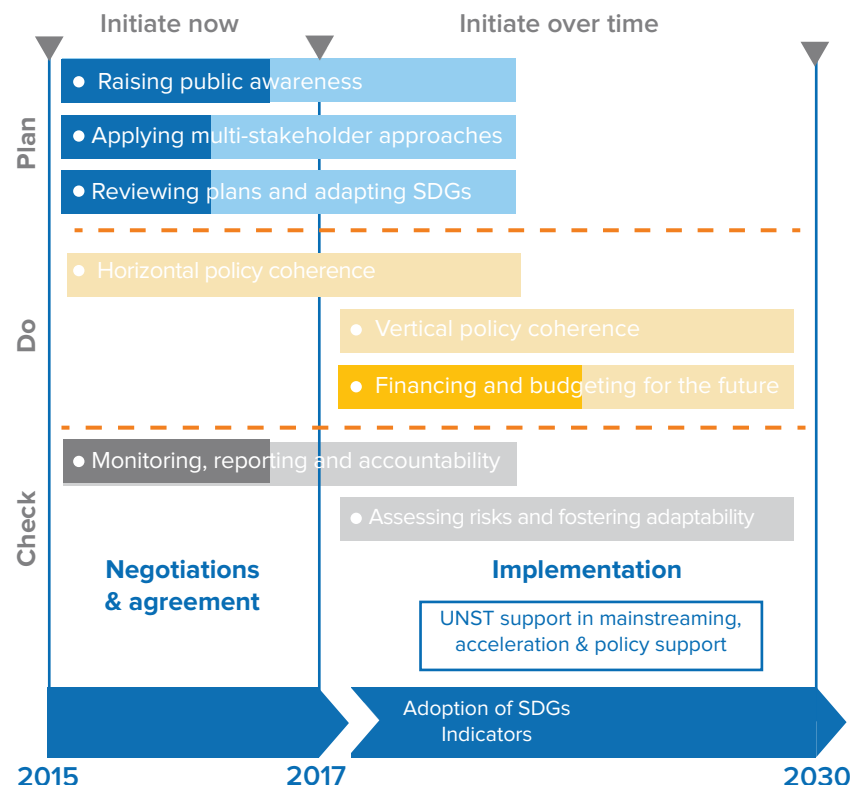
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ A key lesson from Barbados’ MDGs assessment is the need for a strengthened, inclusive and accessible system of data and statistics to support the national monitoring of the SDGs. ”

Freundel Stuart,
Prime Minister of Barbados.

Support provided by the UN Sub-regional Team:



Impact:

The Barbados and the OECS sub-regional office supported the Government of Grenada to begin mainstreaming the SDGs into their national agenda.

A three-day workshop held in September 2016 raised awareness of more than 60 high level policy makers, parliamentarians and social partners on the SDGs and helped the country examine how the SDGs might be incorporated into its new National Sustainable Development Plan 2030. The Office also engaged two representatives of the Government of Suriname to share their experience of localizing SDGs with key partners in Grenada. Additionally, it was discussed the transition from the MDGs to the SDGs, shared technical expertise on how to integrate SDGs into national planning and how the UN can support the country in this effort.

Partnership and coordination:



Barbados and St. Lucia are in the process of establishing an inter-ministerial committee to follow-up on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The UN has offered to support to this institutional mechanism in Barbados and a mission is planned to St. Lucia to explore how to best support the mechanism.

Measuring development:



The UN Sub-regional Team, in collaboration with governments and ECLAC, is actively working to refine the Caribbean indicator set for the measurement of the SDGs and on disaggregating data by sex, age and other salient socio-economic characteristics as a means for 'leaving no one behind'.

*Organisation of Eastern Caribbean States, which comprises Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, British Virgin Islands, Dominica, Grenada, Montserrat, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNST to support the 2030 Agenda in Barbados:



Raising public awareness

Workshops to sensitize government officials and stakeholders on the 2030 Agenda.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Refine the Caribbean indicator set through disaggregating data by sex, age and other salient socio-economic characteristics.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Reviewing existing strategies and plans at the national, sub-national and local levels and identifying areas for change.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Taking stock of the array of financing mechanisms for the 2030 Agenda.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Multi-Country Sustainable Development Framework (UN MSDF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Barbados and the OECS. The framework aims to ensure that no one is left behind in national development efforts and is clearly aligned with the SDGs and the SAMOA Pathway.



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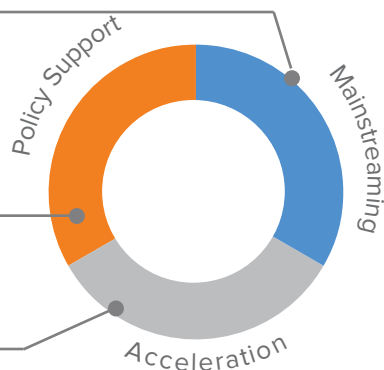
The Government of Belize has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration, and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.

Ensure skills and expertise in UN is made available.

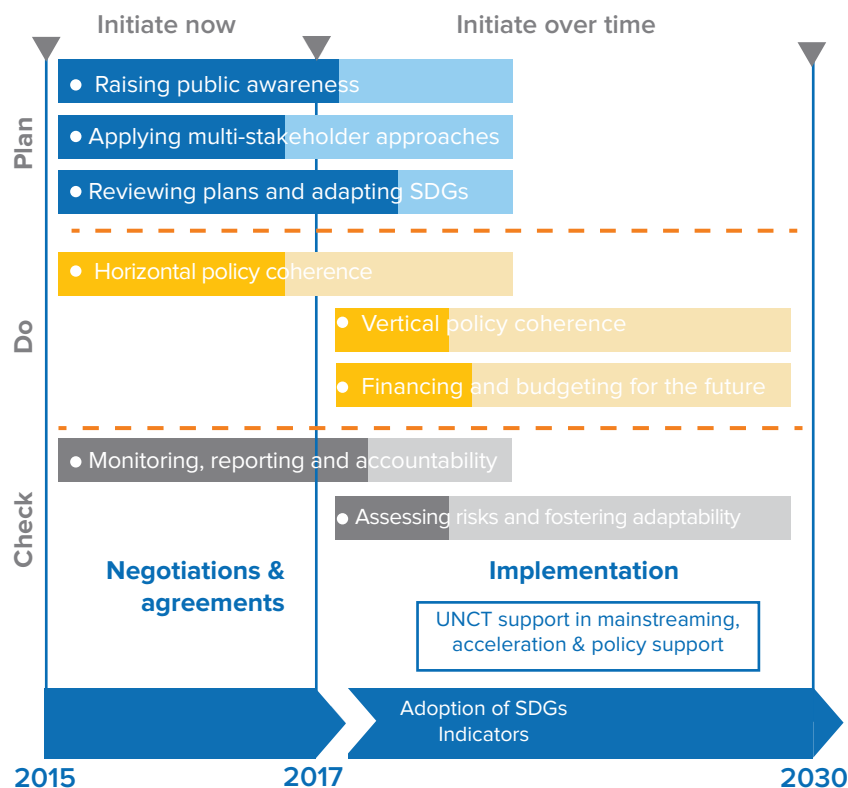
Targeting national and UN resources at priority areas.



“It is really to enhance and reinforce the sustainable development goals of the United Nations to help us to realize our potential under the UN plan.”

H.E. Wilfred Elrington,
Minister of Foreign Affairs Belize

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

The UNCT through a joint work plan by UNDP and UNDESA since 2014 has been supporting the mainstreaming of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) into national development planning processes. A key outcome of this is the elaboration of the Belize Growth and Sustainable Development Strategy. The monitoring and evaluation framework, to be finalized soon, for this national plan has prioritized SDG indicators and the countries readiness to support its reporting.

In support of greater visibility, a video was produced to inform the populace and localize the SDGs in Belize. There was strong UN leadership and participation in collaboration with government and non-government representatives. Also, communication and visibility items were produced and made available at all UNCT related events throughout 2016.

Partnership and coordination:



A National Steering Committee and a National Caucus of CEOs of relevant Ministries were established in Belize to follow up on the 2030 Agenda. The UNCT is closely co-operating with the government through the Multi-country Sustainable Development Framework that is aligned with the 2030 Agenda and jointly steered by the UNCT and the national government.

Measuring development:



UN supports Belize's process to strengthen data collection and management systems in specific sectors and the modernization and transformation of its National Statistical Institute.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Belize:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Support on data collection such as the assistance for the national census or Multiple Indicator Cluster Surveys.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Guidance to Governments on how to conduct multi-stakeholder dialogue to assist with the process of engagement.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Identify SDG gaps and develop recommendations to the government how to overcome these gaps.

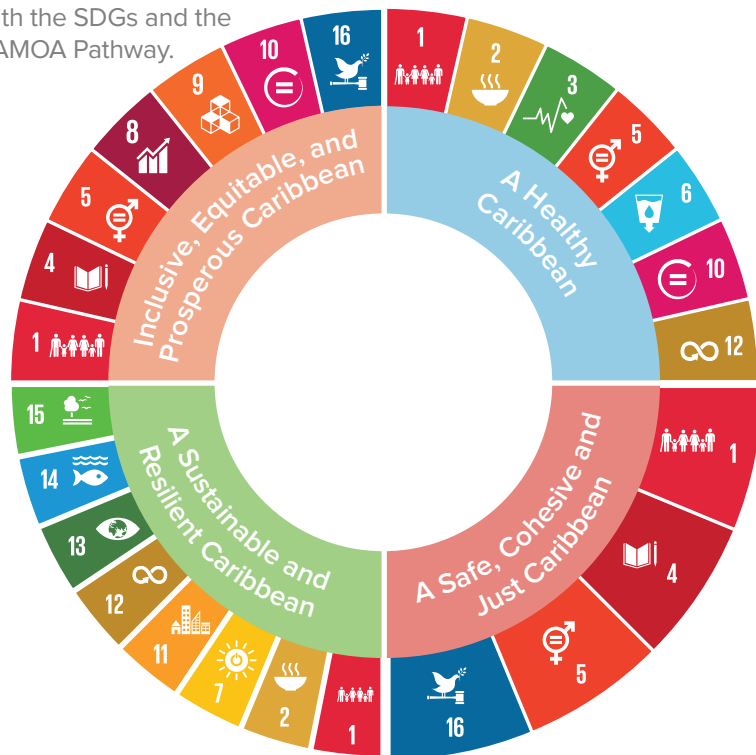


Vertical policy coherence

Facilitation of multi-stakeholder consultative bodies and forums to create partnership and coordination.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

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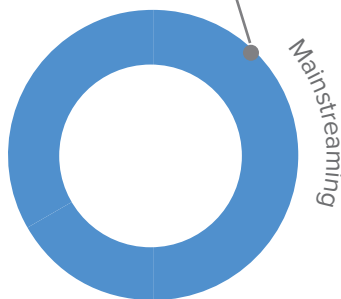
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in BOLIVIA



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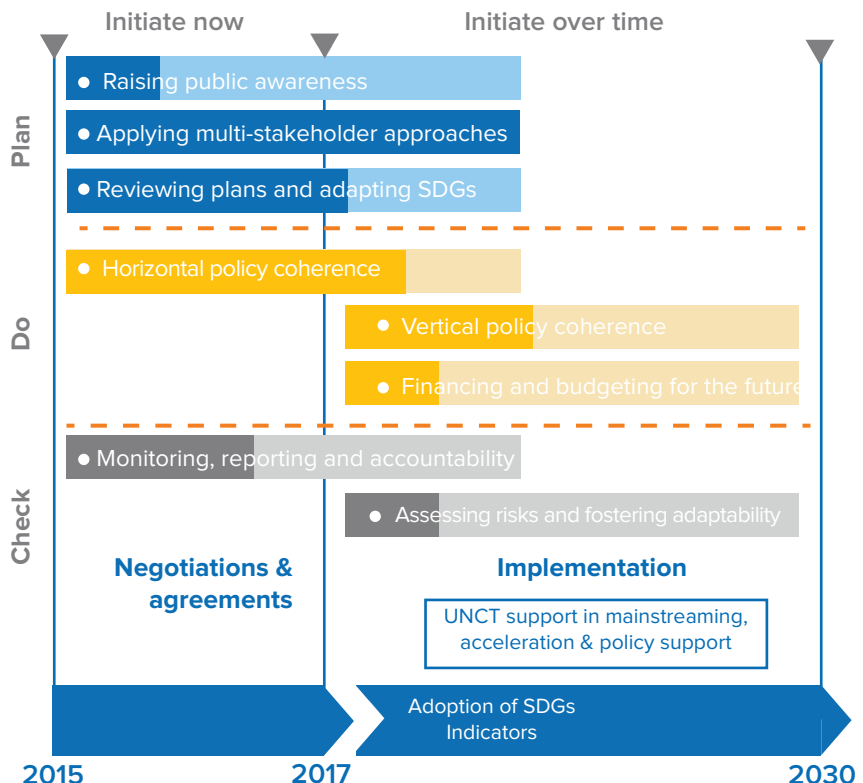
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ It is important to work on the alignment of SDG with the national development plan to identify the strategic lines of action of our programs and projects.”

Judy Torrez Ossio, GruS Gender Subgroup Coordinator

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



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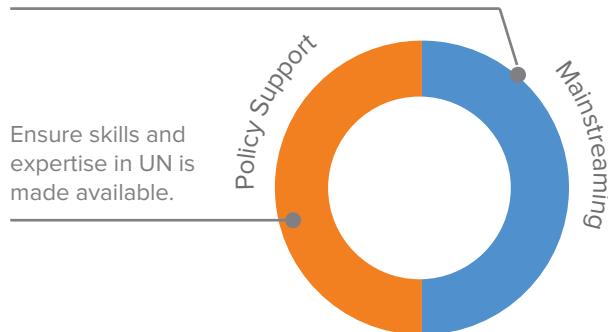
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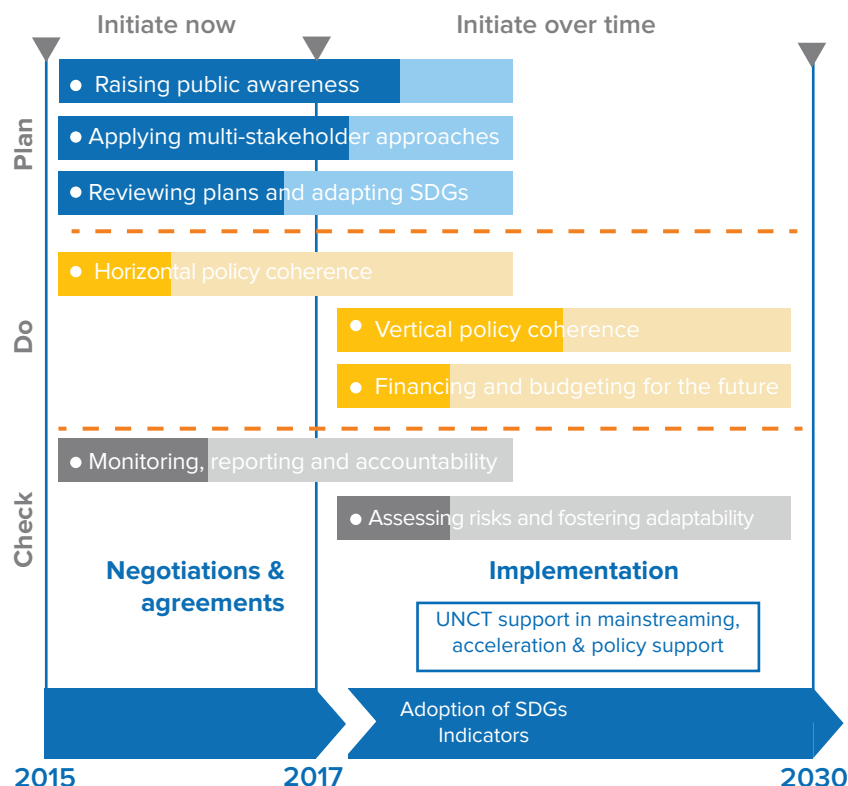
The UN Country Team works in partnership with the Government of Brazil in two of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ The 2030 Agenda is the greatest United Nations endeavor in favor of development. We must take ambitious measures under the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities. ”

Michel Temer,
Brazil's President

Impact:

Innovative partnerships to spread the SDGs

The UN Country Team established a new partnership with the initiative “Caravana Siga Bem” – an itinerant project that comprises two convoys of trucks organized by Grupo Cobram, sponsored by Petrobrás and Mercedes Benz, to provide public services to truck drivers and the community around gasoline stations. The message was 17 SDGs and their importance to everybody’s lives. All trucks received adhesives of the SDGs and both convoys started their travel in August 2016 and will travel throughout more than 100 cities in 22 different states of the country for nine months. From August to October, around 2,200 people had access to a play that was produced on the thematic areas, and around 2,600 children participated in educational and recreation activities. The initiative takes place every month, covered by a nationwide TV program customized for truck drivers. UNIC Rio edited a video produced by a local TV and used it to reinforce the campaign over 5 months to promote the SDGs across the country.

Measuring development:



The UN Brazil Advisory Group on the 2030 Agenda was established in December 2014 to facilitate cooperation between the Brazilian federal government and several UN entities on the issues of the new agenda. The Advisory Group issued in 2015 its publication ‘Following-up the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: Initial inputs from the United Nations System in Brazil on the identification of national indicators related to the Sustainable Development Goals’. Currently, UN in Brazil is consolidating a national platform to inform Brazilian stakeholders on issues related to the SDGs in Portuguese, including the Global Indicator Framework.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Brazil:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Ensured data disaggregating by sex, age and other salient socio-economic characteristics as a means for ‘leaving no one behind’.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Contributed to a multi-stakeholder dialogue around the 2030 Agenda in the elaboration of a UN SDPF.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Supported awareness raising with new elected mayors (those who took office in 2017) to promote the alignment of the local multiannual plan (which highlights the priorities for a period of four years, identify possible budget allocations) with the SDGs.



Vertical policy coherence

Coordinated assessments to explore the benefits and impacts of key national policies and programs at sub-national and local levels.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Sustainable Development Partnership Framework (UN SDPF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the government of Brazil and further stakeholders. As the overarching framework for the common work of the United Nations in the country, it is fully aligned with the 2030 Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals.



Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in

CHILE



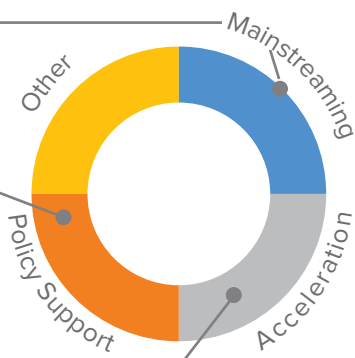
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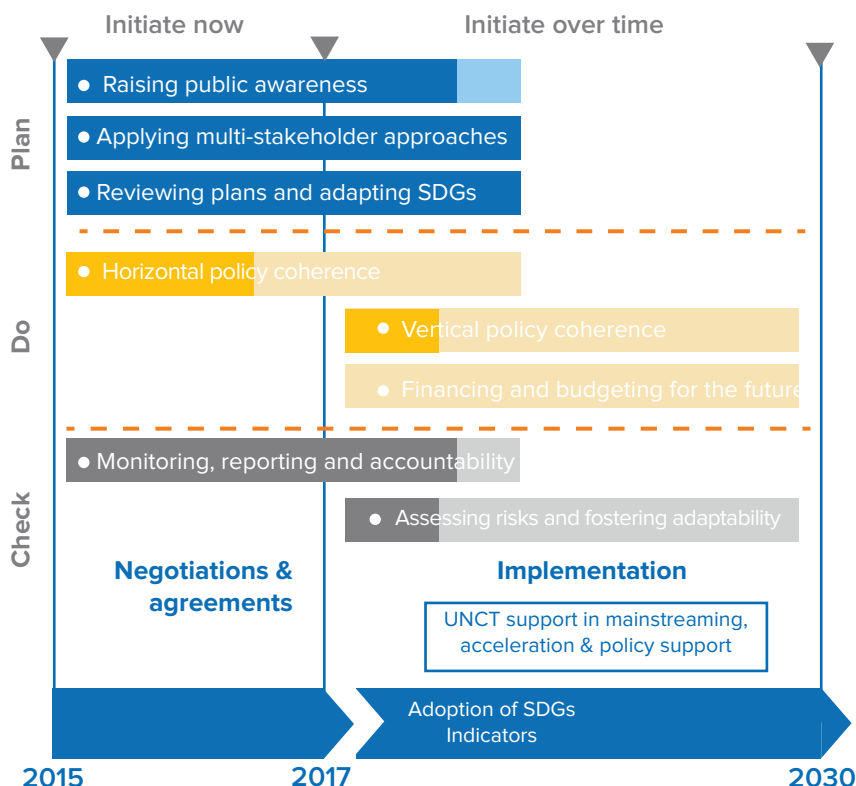
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.

Ensure skills and expertise in UN is made available.

Targeting national and UN resources at priority areas.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ From now on we will have an agenda that takes care of the great challenges of a reality that does not allow more procrastination. ”

Ms. Michelle Bachelet, President of the Republic of Chile

Impact:

Nation-wide awareness of the 2030 Agenda & the SDGs

In 2016, the UN system in Chile focused its efforts on the diffusion of the 2030 Agenda. The Interagency Communication Groups (GIC) developed a Joint Communication Strategy to ensure that the UN system speaks with one voice towards the different stakeholders (public and private sector, civil society, among others). Also, the UNCT created the Joint Work Team for SDGs, to provide technical and qualitative support to the progress of the activities established in the communication strategy. The strategy came to life through the production of various audiovisual and photographic material, organization of seminars, exhibitions and potent commemoration events of UN International days. The 2030 Agenda was socialized in Chileans schools, universities and academic institutions. Additionally, the Chilean Government, with the political and technical assistance of the UNS in Chile, established a permanent governmental institutional structure to address the 2030 Agenda: the National Council, comprising Ministers of Foreign Affairs, Social Development, Environment, and Economy, Promotion and Tourism; and the Government Network represented by the 23 State Ministries to ensure a mainstreaming approach for the implementation.

Partnership and coordination:



The UN System in Chile participates in all governmental mechanisms created for the implementation of 2030 Agenda, including the Ministries Council (represented by the RC) and Government Network, working collaboratively through the UN Joint Work Team for the SDGs, providing technical support, and through the Interagency Communications Group, assisting the elaboration of a communications strategy to disseminate the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.

Measuring development:



UN supports Chile's process to define the indicators for the 2030 Agenda and to strengthen its National Statistical System.



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Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Chile:



Raising public awareness

UNCT have participated as exhibitor and co-organizer in seminars and events between Government and civil society.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Workshops to provide space for dialogue and to identify priorities and roles for the various stakeholders.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Inclusion of marginalized stakeholders into the review process of the 2030 Agenda (e.g. indigenous, elderly, disabled, extremely poor).

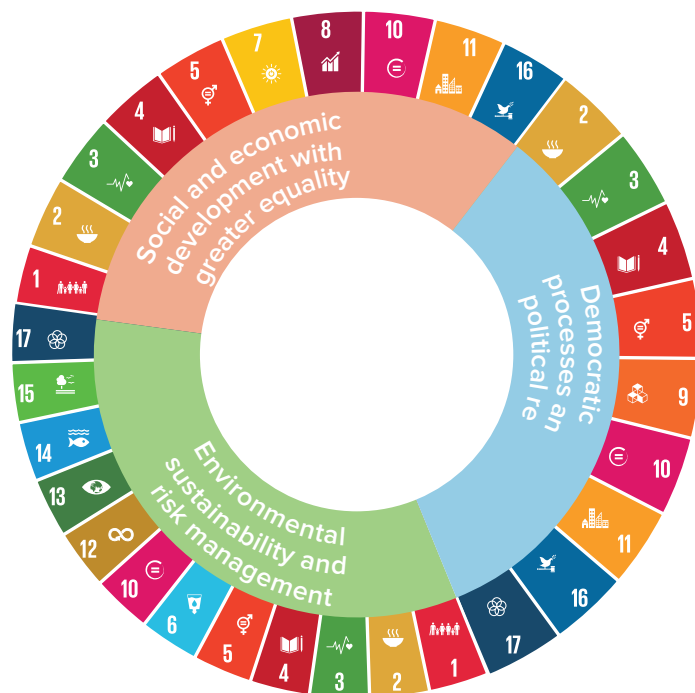


Horizontal policy coherence

Facilitation of coordinated institutional mechanisms to create formal partnerships across sectoral line ministries and agencies.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Chile and further stakeholders.



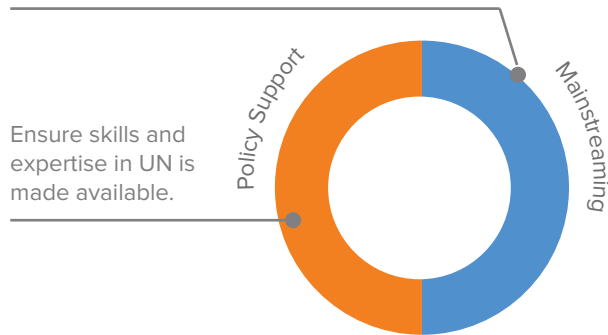
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in COLOMBIA



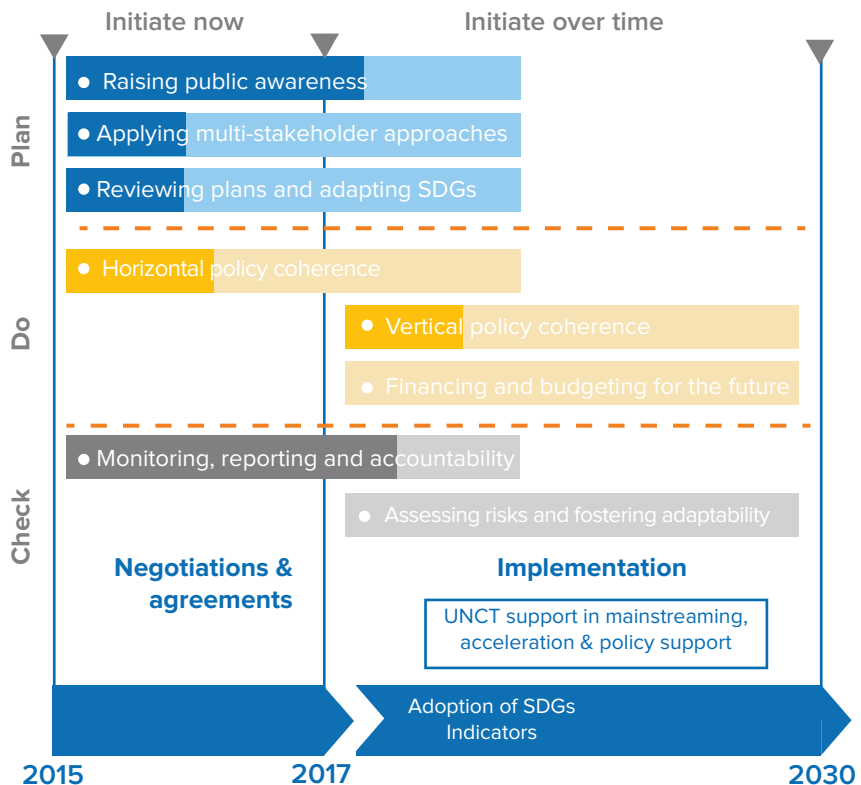
The Government of Colombia has requested support to the UN Country Team in two of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ Human development for everyone is not a dream; it is a realizable goal. ”

His Excellency Juan Manuel Santos, President of Colombia and the 2016 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate

Impact:

Supporting Measuring Development

The National Statistics Department and the UN system in Colombia are implementing several joint projects such as technical working groups, international working groups (on SDGs, Big Data, Gender etc.) and information exchange agreements. Under the leadership of UNFPA, 15 agencies established a joint workplan with the National Statistics Department to identify and remedy gaps in SDG monitoring and mobilized technical expertise to develop or strengthen 55 indicators.

The co-operation comprises capacity building, for instance through a capacity workshop planned for March 2017 to improve data collection capacities in the region Andina by bringing together 120 experts from the UN, government, academia, private and NGO sector. Moreover, the UNCT provided support to ensuring that targets at the national, regional and local levels were sensitive to human rights, helped improve baselines, and provided technical assistance to local development planning processes. As a result, 63 new local development plans reflect the SDGs.

Partnership and coordination:



The 2030 Agenda in Colombia is implemented through an Inter-ministerial SDG Council. The UN Country Team is supporting the National Planning Department that chairs the Inter-ministerial SDG Council. The UN Country Team is also working with the National Statistics Department (DANE) on developing missing indicators to follow up on the 2030 Agenda.



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Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Colombia:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

UNCT assistance provided to develop 30 of 50 indicators that are currently not covered by the National Statistics Department.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Working with national councils or forums on SDG Review and Implementation.



Vertical policy coherence

Facilitation of multi-stakeholder consultative bodies and forums to create partnership and coordination.



Horizontal policy coherence

Facilitation of coordinated institutional mechanisms to create formal partnerships across sectoral line ministries and agencies.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Colombia and further stakeholders.



Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in COSTA RICA



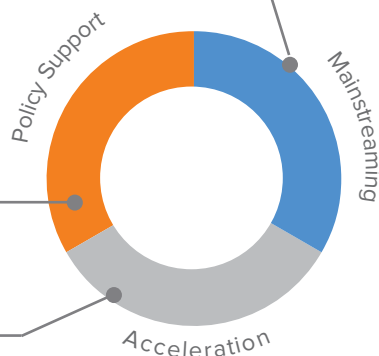
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Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.

Ensure skills and expertise in UN is made available.

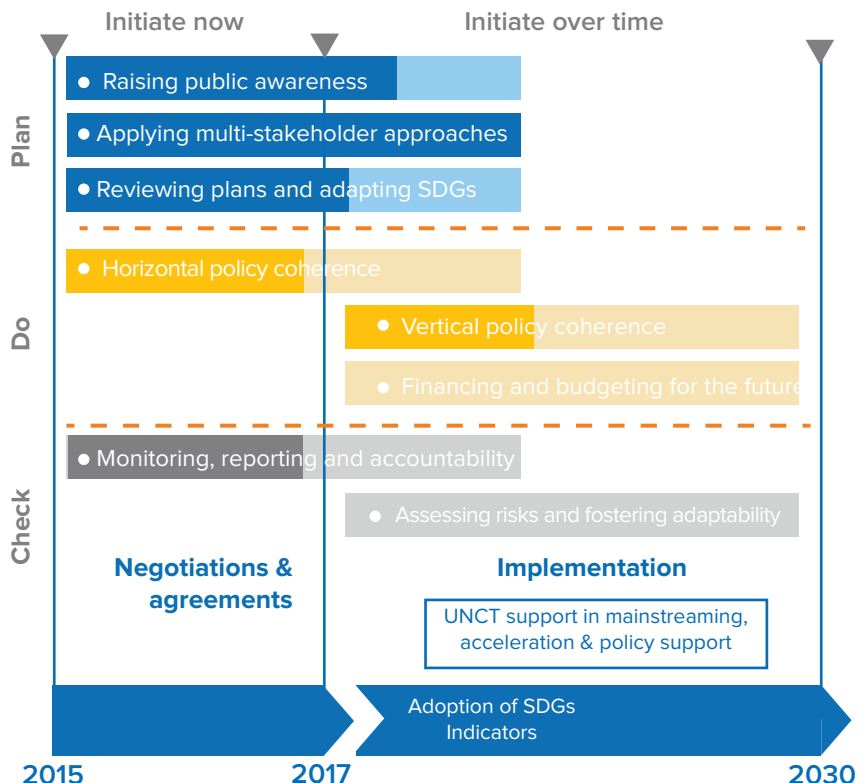
Targeting national and UN resources at priority areas.



“... Signing a pact for the Sustainable Development Goals is a long-term agreement for the orientation of national development.”

Olga Marta Sánchez, Minister of National Planning and Economic Policy of Costa Rica

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

The UNCT worked with the Government to enable Costa Rica to become the first country in the World to sign a National Pact for the SDGs where Government, civil society, religious organizations, private sector and citizens pledged to promote and comply with the SDG as well as monitor and report around their implementation. Furthermore, a Technical Secretariat for SDGs was established by Presidential Decree, which consolidates its mandate and governance structure based on a multi-stakeholder approach.

The UN System, together with the Technical Secretariat of the SDGs led by MIDEPLAN, set up three platforms for "discussion" of the 2030 Agenda Sustainable Development , one with Civil Society Organizations, one with Faith Based Organizations, and a working group with a private sector. The UN actively supported the Government in the process of establishing the National Pact. The UNCT jointly provided technical advice to develop spaces for discussion on the SDGs between various key actors, to identify commitments, roles and actions of each actor, and offered support to build sectoral work platforms and multi-actor structure coordination mechanisms.

Partnership and coordination:



The United Nations established a strategic alliance with the Government to jointly lead the process of establishing the National Pact for the SDGs and is currently an honor witness of the Pact along with the Office of the Ombudsman. Likewise, the UN system offers technical support to the SDG Secretariat.

Measuring development:



The United Nations has closely supported the commission designated by the SDG Secretariat, which is formed by the National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INEC) and the Ministry for National Planning and Political Economy (MIDEPLAN), in order to identify national indicators and targets. For this, a diagnosis was made to identify available indicators, those indicators with metadata and those without available information.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Costa Rica:



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Establishment of Platform for Civil Society Organizations to facilitate the follow up and monitoring of the SDGs.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Using the MAPS methodology to establish an integrated SDG strategy to land the SDGs in national plans.



Vertical policy coherence

Strategic partnership with the National Union of Local Governments to incorporate the 2030 Agenda in the preparation of their new action plan.



Horizontal Policy Coherence examples

Integrated policy analysis to ensure that proposed policies, programmes and targets are supportive of nationally tailored SDGs.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Costa Rica and further stakeholders.



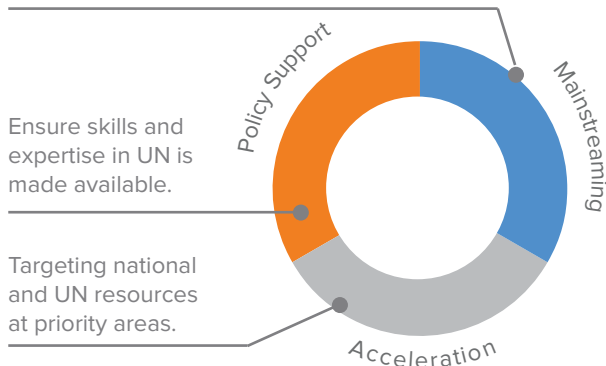
Support by the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in CUBA



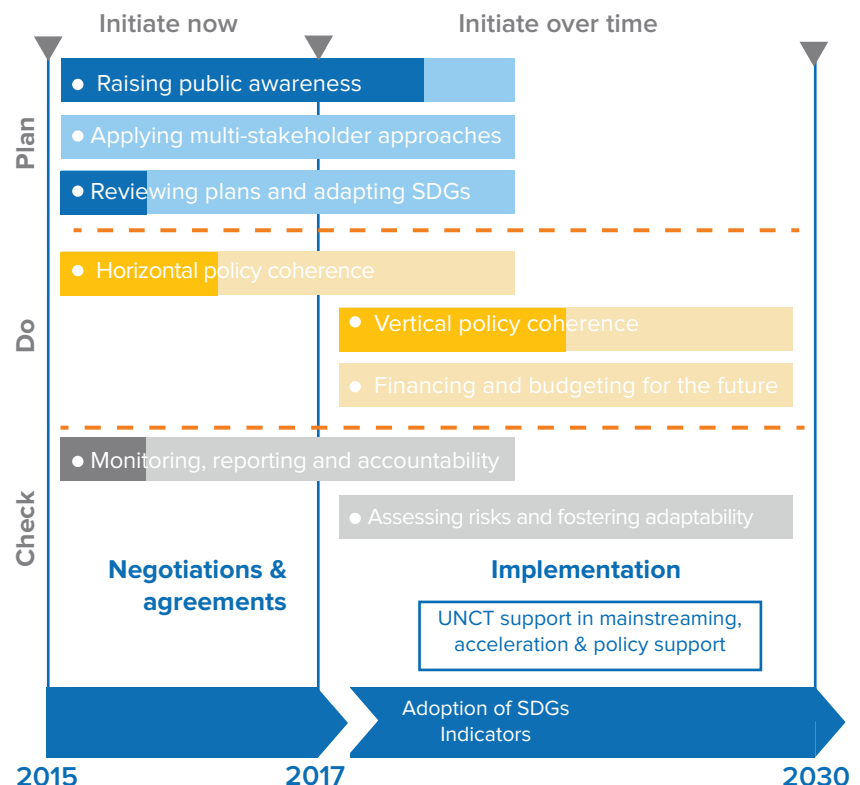
In line with national priorities, the UN Country Team has provided support to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, according to the MAPS approach.

UN Country Team support per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



UN Country Team support to the implementation of Agenda 2030



“ The adoption of the 2030 Agenda was a landmark in the history of humanity... Turning into a reality what we stated in paper, without letting anyone behind, will be the main challenge. ”

María Esther Reus González, Minister of Justice.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Cuba:



Raising public awareness

Built on the opportunities provided by government and UN-sponsored high level meetings and forums to position the 2030 Agenda in the context of national priorities with a broad spectrum of national and local partners.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Maintained dialogue with the National Office of Statistics on SDGs indicators, challenges, opportunities and possible partnership with UN agencies.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Analyzed the interrelation between the 2030 National Plan for Economic and Social Development, the global 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the UNDAF in order to identify how to support the country in its effort to integrate the 2030 Agenda in national and local development plans.



Horizontal policy coherence

Identified joint programming and resource mobilization opportunities to support national priorities, such as water and drought, from a multisectoral perspective of sustainability. As result, three agencies developed a joint programme, two agencies work on two interlinked projects in various provinces, and the UNCT as a whole is implementing 21 projects throughout the country.

Impact:

Engaging the youth to raise awareness of the 2030 Agenda

A television spot about the 2030 Agenda and a mural painting about the SDGs were the results of an initiative organized by the United Nations in Cuba together with students of the Institute for Industrial Design, the Faculty of Communication of the University of Havana, and the Faculty of Art and Audiovisual Media of the University of the Arts. The TV spot was broadcasted on Cuban Television and was published on social media (YouTube, Facebook, and Twitter), while the mural itself is decorating one of the walls at the United Nations House in Cuba. The initiative contributed to awareness about the SDGs among the students; an experience that motivated them to keep working on the production of communication materials regarding the SDGs in the future. The broadcasting of the TV spot on national television brought people closer to the topics at the center of the 2030 Agenda.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Cuba and further stakeholders.



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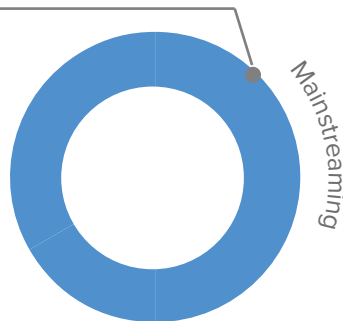
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in DOMINICAN REPUBLIC



The Government of Dominican Republic has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

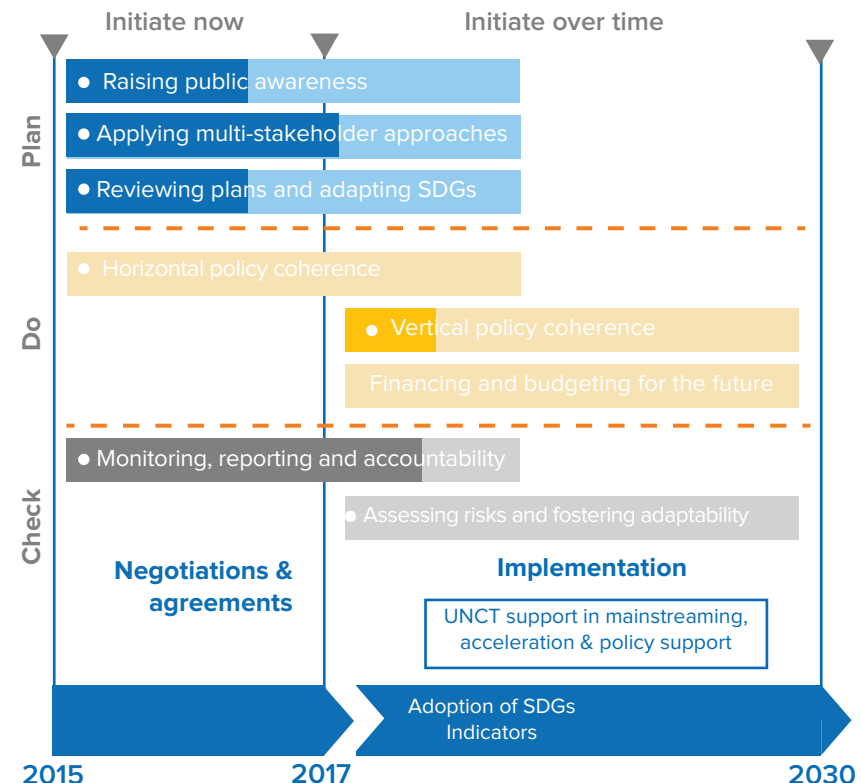
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“The initial headline is align to implement. It is a necessary step for the goals to be achieved, and for the 2030 Agenda to be reflected in the quality of life of the people.”

Temistoclés Montás, Former Minister of the Ministry of Economy, Planning and Development.

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

The UN Country Team and the Ministry of Economy, carried out a rapid integrated assessment to start mainstreaming the 2030 Agenda and provide an overview of the alignment between the National Development Strategy and the SDGs. An agreement was reached between the Vice-Presidency, WFP and FAO to develop a roadmap for the implementation of SDG 2. Also, the UN Country Team supported Innovapp 2016, a project led by the Vice-Presidency of the Dominican Republic and the Community Technological Centers. 100 young people developed more than 20 applications to accelerate sustainable development with relation to specific SDGs. In addition, the UN Country Team has started publishing a 2030 Agenda section in the Acento DR digital media, which is called "Voices of Sustainable Development".

Partnership and coordination:



In February 2016, the Government of the Dominican Republic issued a Presidential Decree to enact a High-Level Inter-institutional Sustainable Development Commission with the mandate to oversee and implement the 2030 Agenda. The UN is an observer to the Commission. As part of the UN support to the High-Level Inter-institutional Sustainable Development Commission, the UN Country Team has started a Rapid Integrated Assessment to determine the country's level of preparedness to implement the 2030 Agenda. The results will inform the Commission's work and guide high-level recommendations.

Measuring development:



The findings of the Rapid Integrated Assessment are the basis for a dialogue over prioritization for indicator development and data collection. In the UNDAF 2018-2022, one outcome will specifically focus on support to the National Statistics Office and the Ministry of Economy for indicator development and data collection.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Dominican Republic:



Raising public awareness

Public awareness campaigns and provision of an accessible library with advocacy material on the 2030 Agenda.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Assistance to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems for information exchanges and reporting on key indicators.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Assessment of the alignment between SDGs and existing strategies at the national, sub-national and local levels through a Rapid Integrated Assessment and development of recommendations to the government how to close gaps in alignment.



Financing and budgeting for the future

The UN Country Team facilitates the national government's process of SDG budgeting efforts through technical support.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of the Dominican Republic and further stakeholders.



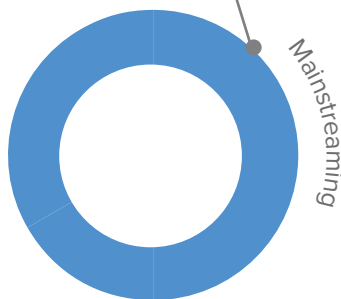
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in ECUADOR



The Government of Ecuador has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

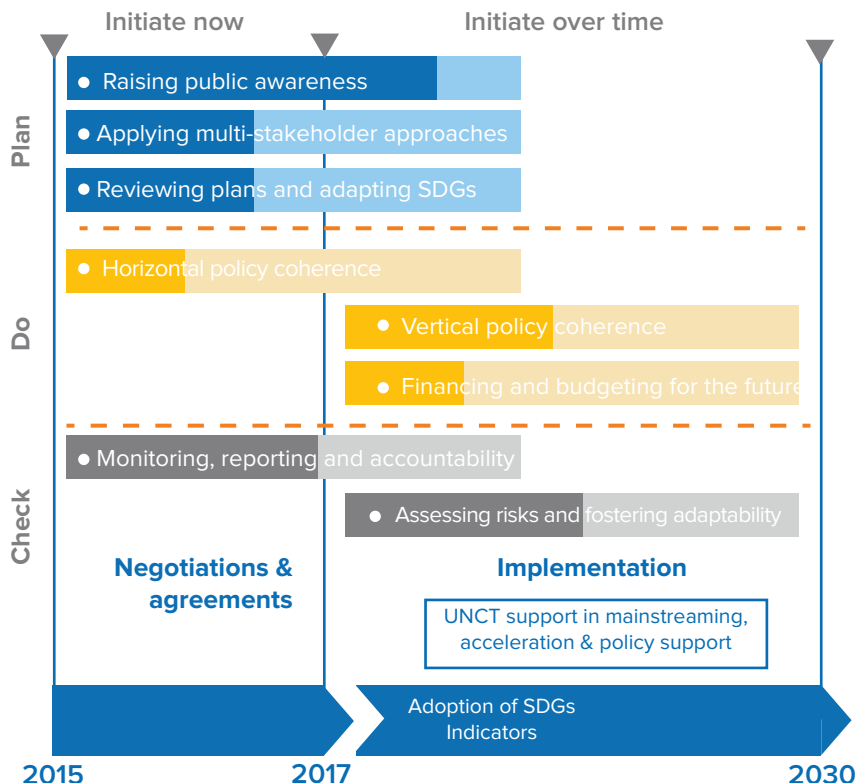
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ The 2030 Agenda focuses on the human being, on its rights and expresses the intention of the States to eradicate poverty in all its forms and dimensions. ”

Ricardo Patiño, Chancellor of Ecuador

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

A comprehensive communication strategy to mainstream the 2030 Agenda in Ecuador

The UN Country Team in Ecuador implemented several awareness raising activities. Apart from numerous interviews and articles on TV, radios, newspapers, magazines and social media, the famous Ecuadorian singer Juan Fernando Velasco lent his voice as UNDP's National Ambassador for the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). Also, various communication material was developed and distributed such as flyers, bracelets, stickers, among others. The UN Country Team has also worked on positioning the SDGs in the presidential candidates' work plans. Moreover, technical assistance was provided to the private sector to mainstream SDGs in their strategies and operations.

Partnership and coordination:



The UN Country Team has worked closely with the National Planning and Development Secretariat for integrating the SDGs in the national planning system and instruments.

Measuring development:



The UNCT is supporting the development of a national plan to strengthen the statistical national capacity to measure and monitor the SDGs. Furthermore, the UNCT assists the government in strengthening existing data and metadata reporting systems, including opportunities for both horizontal and vertical coordination.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Ecuador:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Support the development of a national plan to strengthen the statistical national capacity to measure and monitor the SDGs.



Assessing risks and fostering adaptability

Application of scenario planning and stress testing in the development planning and policy-making process.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Review existing strategies and plans at the national, sub-national and local levels to identify SDG gaps.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Public expenditure reviews or budget mainstreaming for integrating specific issues into fiscal budgets.

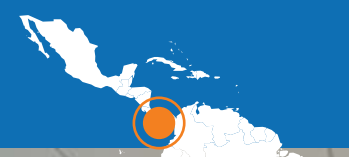
The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Cooperation Framework defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Ecuador and further stakeholders.



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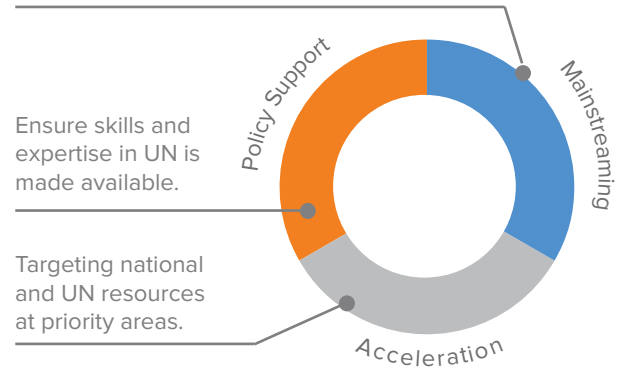
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in EL SALVADOR



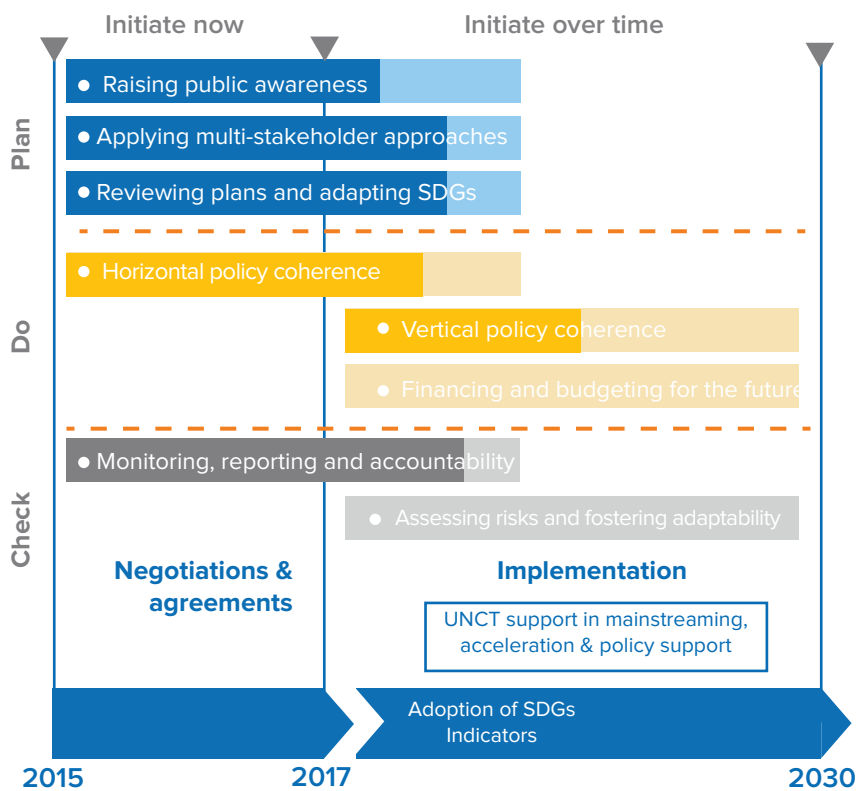
The Government of El Salvador has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ We are convinced that the SDGs will become an agenda of the society, will become a vision and a program shared between government, citizenship, social organizations, church, businessmen, universities and other pillars of society. ”

Sánchez Cerén, President of El Salvador

Impact:

National readiness for the implementation of the new 2030 Agenda and the SDGs

During 2016, the United Nations System in El Salvador, focused its support on the country in its preparation for the implementation of the new development agenda. First by training around 500 government officials from 71 institutions on the origins of the agenda, its formulation process and its characteristics and those of the goals that comprise it. Second by supporting and accompanying the formulation of the first intersectoral framework for monitoring the implementation, throughout 34 meetings and 17 workshops, each one of them co-chaired by the Government and UN agencies based on the technical expertise. These actions helped to identify the strengths and opportunities, as well as the gaps and challenges to achieve the 17 SDGs, on the national capacities to measure the progress and articulate the different sectors and initiatives around. The new agenda is regarded with the great potential of being a common ground and a common purpose for the country, where the nation can come together.

Partnership and coordination:



A Memorandum of Understanding was signed between the UN Country Team and government on technical support until 2030. An institutional coordination mechanism to follow-up on the 2030 Agenda will soon be created by presidential decree. The UN system will provide secretariat functions to this coordination mechanism.

Measuring development:



The UN system is contributing in several ways to make sustainable development measurable in El Salvador. The support includes inter alia indicator development for each SDG, assistance to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems and disaggregation of data by gender and ethnicity.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in El Salvador:



Raising public awareness

Workshops to sensitize government officials and stakeholders on the 2030 Agenda, public campaigns and publications.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Indicator development for each SDG and assistance to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Prioritization of financial resources from the national budget in order to warrant the accomplished of the SDGs.

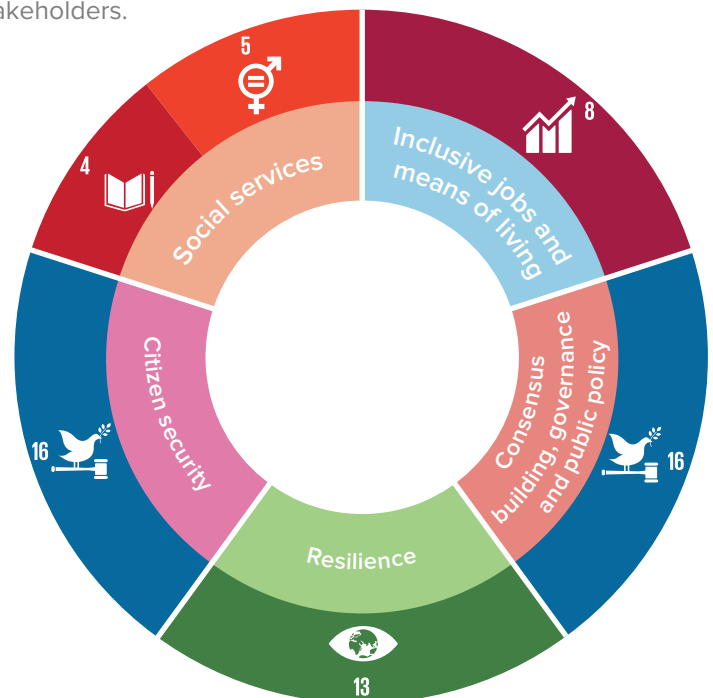


Assessing risks and fostering adaptability

Supported and conducted a series of initiatives oriented to help inform and engage the private sector and the civil society organization in the implementation of the new agenda

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of El Salvador and further stakeholders.



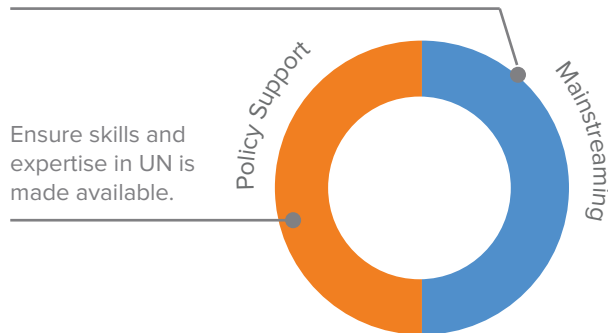
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in GUATEMALA



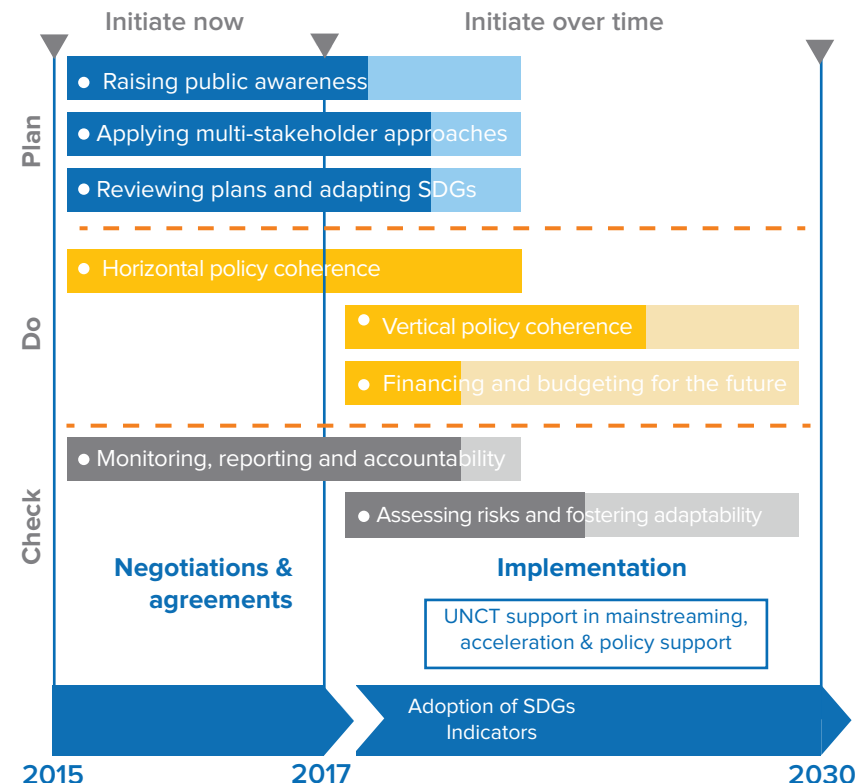
The Government of Guatemala has requested support to the UN Country Team in two of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ People are the key principle that guides Guatemala's vision towards development, in which the United Nations system has been a great partner. ”

Miguel Ángel Moir, Secretary of the Secretariat of Planning for the Presidency –SEGEPLAN.

Impact:

CONADUR, the National Council on Urban and Rural Development, which is coordinated by the President of Guatemala, oversees the formulation of urban and rural development planning, and a wide variety of actors participate in it (government institutions, women's organizations, peasants' organizations, universities, workers, indigenous peoples, and small entrepreneurs). A Commission was established within CONADUR to align the SDGs and the National Development Plan, as well as to implement a unique monitoring system. The UN Country Team has been a strategic partner to the Government of Guatemala and has provided technical and financial support to accompany the design and implementation of the roadmap. The UNCT has supported the government-led participatory workshops to disseminate the 2030 Agenda, and to prioritize goals and indicators.

Partnership and coordination:



CONADUR is the constitutionally created national mechanism which has the mandate to oversee the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The UN participates in CONADUR's regular meetings to jointly monitor the advances in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The UN System and SEGEPLAN have elaborated a joint road map for the implementation of the SDGs at national and local levels.

Measuring development:



The UN system is contributing in several ways to make sustainable development measurable in Guatemala. The support includes indicator development to measure and track multidimensional poverty and the disaggregation of indicators by gender and ethnicity. Furthermore, the UN system signed a Letter of Intentions with the Secretariat of Planning and the National Statistics Institute to strengthen national statistics to monitor the Agenda 2030, the National Development Plan and the UNDAF.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Guatemala:



Raising public awareness

Workshops to sensitize government officials and stakeholders on the 2030 Agenda, public awareness campaigns and provision of an accessible library with advocacy material on the 2030 Agenda.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Assistance with the design, implementation and official launch of the XI National Census.



Assessing risks and fostering adaptability

Application of scenario planning and stress testing in the development planning and policy-making process.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Capacity building in the field of outcome-based and participatory budgeting to support the results-based framework and participatory nature of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Guatemala and further stakeholders.



Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in GUYANA



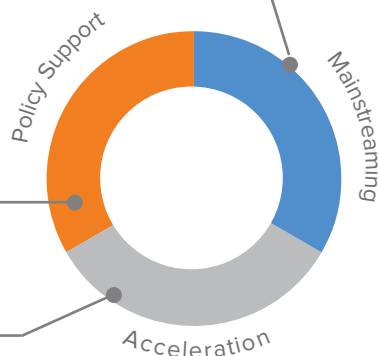
The Government of Guyana has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.

Ensure skills and expertise in UN is made available.

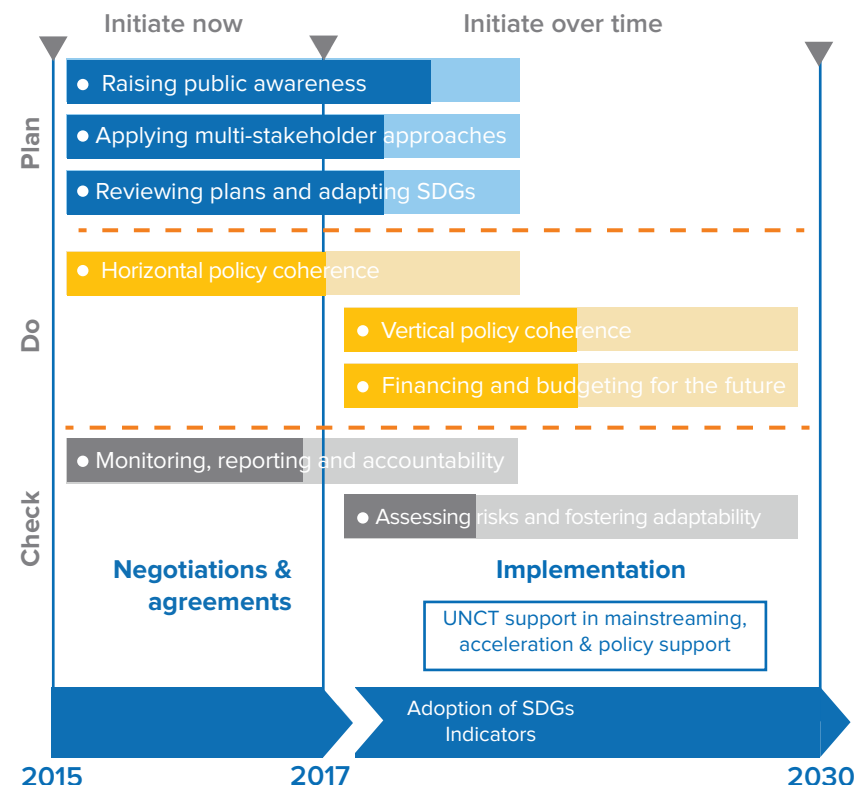
Targeting national and UN resources at priority areas.



“ The Government is committed to delivering results together with the UN for all the people of Guyana. The pursuit of Green Economy and the SDGs will require the participation of all stakeholders. ”

Moses Nagamootoo,
Prime Minister and First Vice President of Guyana

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

The UNCT is conducting different joint projects on the SDG implementation. The design of a Green State Development Strategy, led by UNEP, has seen inputs from all resident agencies. At the policy level, UNICEF, UNFPA, and UNESCO worked together to support the completion of the national Youth Policy of Guyana; UNDP and FAO worked on a joint project for Mainstreaming Disaster Risk Management in the agriculture sector. The UN also supported a Situation Analysis on Adolescent Pregnancy in several administrative regions and conducted an awareness sessions via a film festival on displacement impact of natural disasters. The UN also worked with the Government and Civil Society Organizations to hold a national dialogue on HIV, law, and human rights.

Partnership and coordination:



The Ministry of the Presidency and the Ministry of Finance are leading and coordinating efforts on the national development plan “Green State Development Strategy” and SDG mainstreaming. The Resident Coordinator and the UN Country Team are also working with the Ministry of Finance to introduce the “MAPS” approach as part of the Multi-country Sustainable Development Framework (MSDF) so that the UN delivers as one to the Government of Guyana.

Measuring development:



Under the MSDF for 2017-2021, the UN Country Team is at the initial stage of consultation with the Government on indicator development/data collection: through the formulation of the SDG-aligned Green State Development Strategy; the alignment of the MSDF Country Implementation Plan to national indicators and data monitoring systems; and through sub-national pilots of SDG acceleration and accompanying indicator/data system support. UN agencies are also working with line ministries and Bureau of Statistics in sectoral surveys such as MICS (UNICEF - 2016) and Agricultural Census (FAO - to start in 2017).

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Guyana:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Assistance provided to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems for information exchanges, including reporting on key indicators and providing opportunities for both horizontal and vertical coordination.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Support provided to the Government on how to conduct multi-stakeholder dialogue to assist with the process of engagement.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Reviewed existing strategies and plans at the national, sub-national and local levels to identify SDG gaps and development of recommendations how to overcome these gaps.

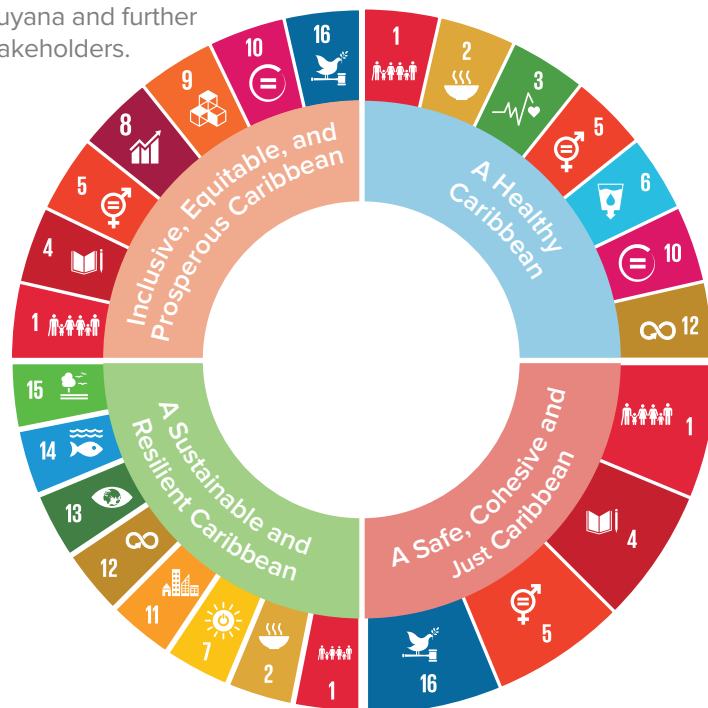


Financing and budgeting for the future

Took stock of the array of financing mechanism for the 2030 Agenda by considering all sources of financing as outlined in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Multi-country Sustainable Development Framework (UN MSDF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Guyana and further stakeholders.



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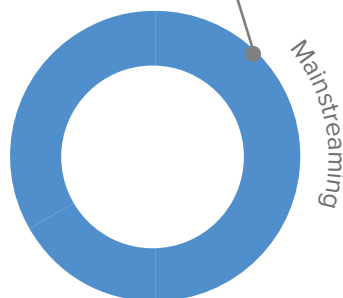
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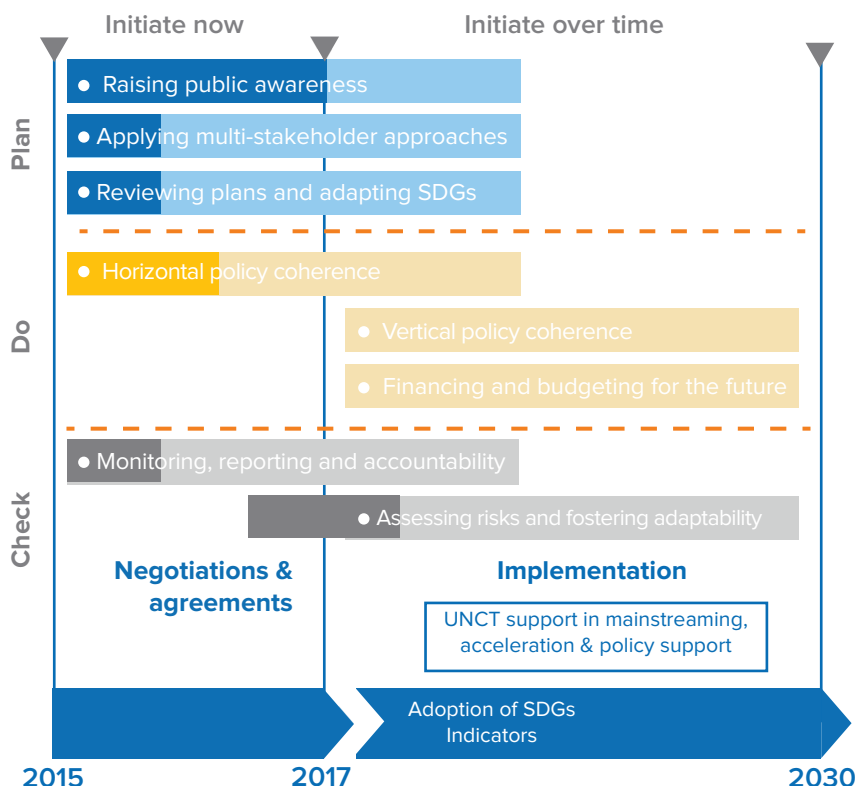
The Government of Haiti has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“The SDGs are a clear language that explains to our planet that we need a behavioral change — starting from each one of us.”

Mocnat Clifton, volunteer for TECHO and RPV

Impact:

Communicating as One with the youth for the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs

Since 2015, the UN in Haiti has been implementing a joint communication strategy aiming to enhance awareness and interactive discussions on the SDGs. More than 12,000 Haitians, mainly youth, participated in more than 300 advocacy activities, in collaboration with national authorities and partners, which included cinema projections, debates, youth and volunteer forums, among others. Advocacy products were created, to be used by different partners: a video and two comics; based on a famous Haitian character that will be systematically distributed to schools for educational purposes. A pilot training program is ongoing for young advocates; and, for the first time, 40 Haitian youth organizations (including persons living with handicap), participated in 2 consultations to identify their priorities with the SDGs. UN Haiti conducted 3 preparatory trainings for the first UN Talks pilot, a storytelling event to share experiences and humanize the role of UN Staff, partners and beneficiaries in the SDGs implementation.

Partnership and coordination:



Multi-stakeholder consultative bodies and fora to create partnership and coordination. Throughout the process of developing the UNDAF, a steering committee between the UNCT and the Ministry of Planning was created to ensure national ownership of the process and alignment with the national priorities, taking into account the 2030 Agenda.

Measuring development:



The UN conducted a Common Country Assessment (CCA) to establish a first base-line for the UNDAF and SDGs related indicators. The UNCT is also supporting the process led by UNFPA to elaborate a new census, and UNICEF plans to conclude by the end of this year the EMMUS survey on key health and social services indicators.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Haiti:



Raising public awareness

Leverage government and UN-sponsored meetings and forums to sensitize stakeholders on the 2030 Agenda.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

The UNCT is planning a joint initiative to support collection and monitoring of data and statistics around the SDGs.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Advocating for the SDGs to be taken into account in the Public Triennial Investment Plans.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

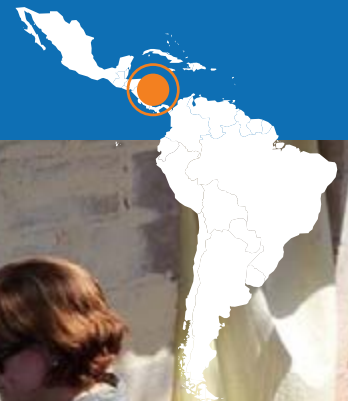
8 consultations throughout the country to involve different stakeholder groups in the UNDAF process.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Sustainable Development Framework defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Haiti and further stakeholders.



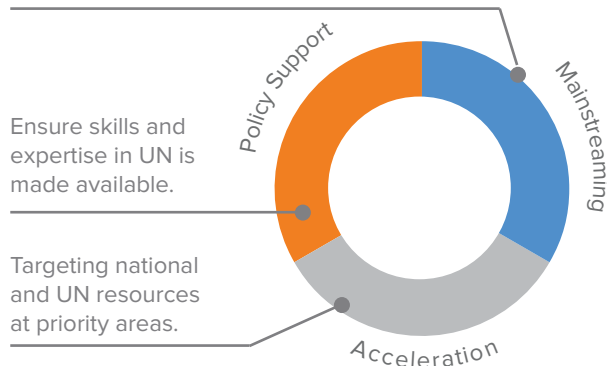
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in HONDURAS



The Government of Honduras has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration, and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

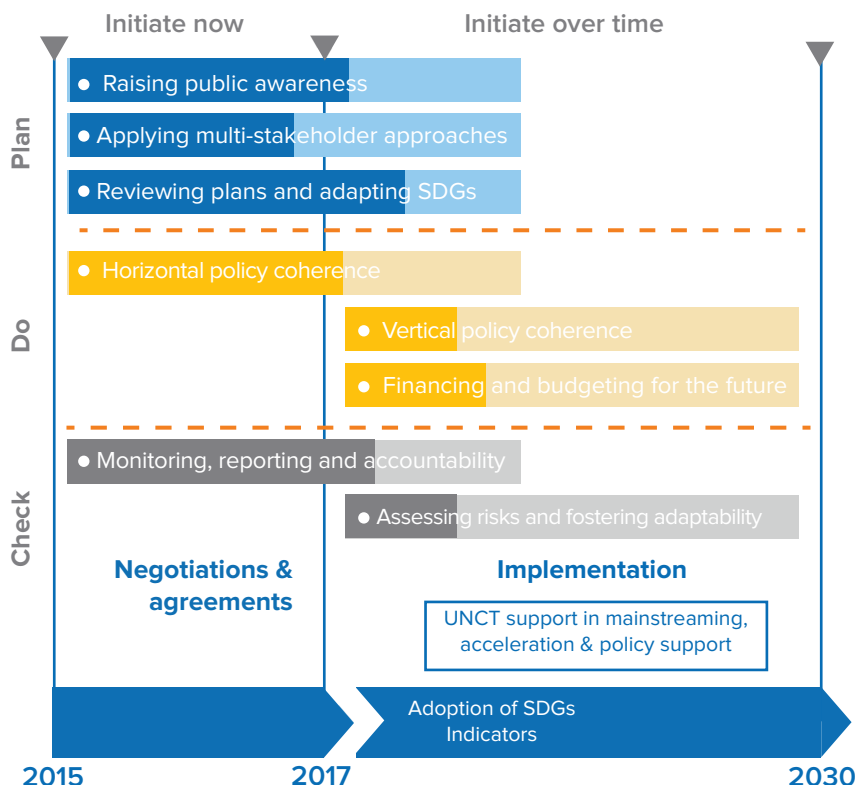
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ In Honduras we are laying the groundwork for the implementation of 2030 Agenda. ”

Efraim Corea,
Presidential Director of Strategic Planning,
Budget and Public Investment

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

Embedding the principle of “leaving no one behind” and further SDGs into national social policies. The UNCT has provided technical assistance in the elaboration process of the recently approved. Policy for Better Life and Inclusion, which is an umbrella for over 70 social programs being implemented in the country. This policy set is based on the principle of inclusion (leaving no one behind) and it incorporates several key elements of the 2030 Agenda, such as the concept of sustainable development, extreme poverty and inequality reduction, vulnerable groups focus, gender equality and citizen participation. Honduras was selected as one of 7 pilot countries at the global level, along with Belize, Costa Rica, Ethiopia, Togo, Uganda and Vietnam, to mainstream the 2030 Agenda at National and Regional, coordinated by the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA). The UNCT and DESA are assisting the government in developing a strategy to strengthen multidimensional collaboration between the 8 sectoral cabinets, bridge existing gaps between national and territorial planning processes and to strengthen the capacities of monitoring (national and regional indicators / SDG).

Partnership and coordination:



A high level and a technical commission to prioritize and follow up on the 2030 Agenda are in the process of being established. The UN will provide support to both the high level and the technical commission in order to facilitate prioritization and monitoring of the SDG advancements.

Measuring development:



The first version of the Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) was officially launched in August. With this initiative, Honduras joins the 108 countries already embarked on MPI measurement efforts. It is based on available household survey data and it includes education, housing and health dimensions. The UN Country Team will advocate and support the inclusion of climate vulnerability and citizen security dimensions, as well as to strengthen the health dimension.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Honduras:



Raising public awareness

Workshops and events, with the Government, to present the Agenda to multi-sectorial stakeholders.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Review of alignment between the SDGs and existing strategies and plans at the national, sub-national and local levels.



Vertical policy coherence

Validation of local initiatives linked to the SDGs and development of a toolkit proposal for SDG localization, through funding a research project.

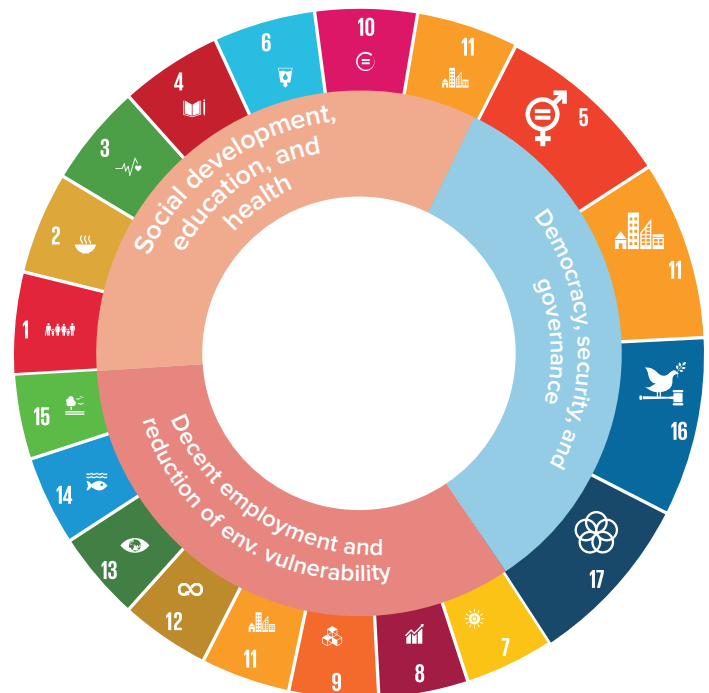


Horizontal policy coherence:

Integrated policy analysis to ensure that proposed policies, programmes and targets are supportive of nationally tailored SDGs.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Honduras and further stakeholders.



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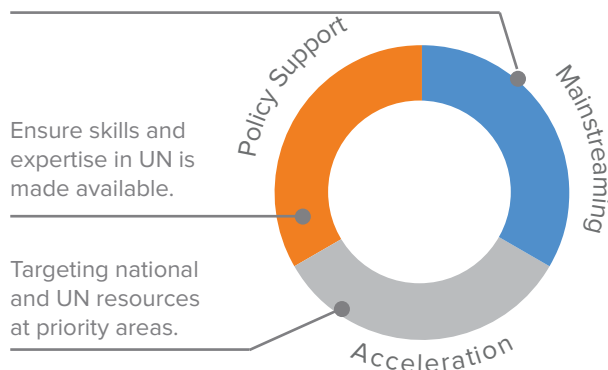
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in JAMAICA



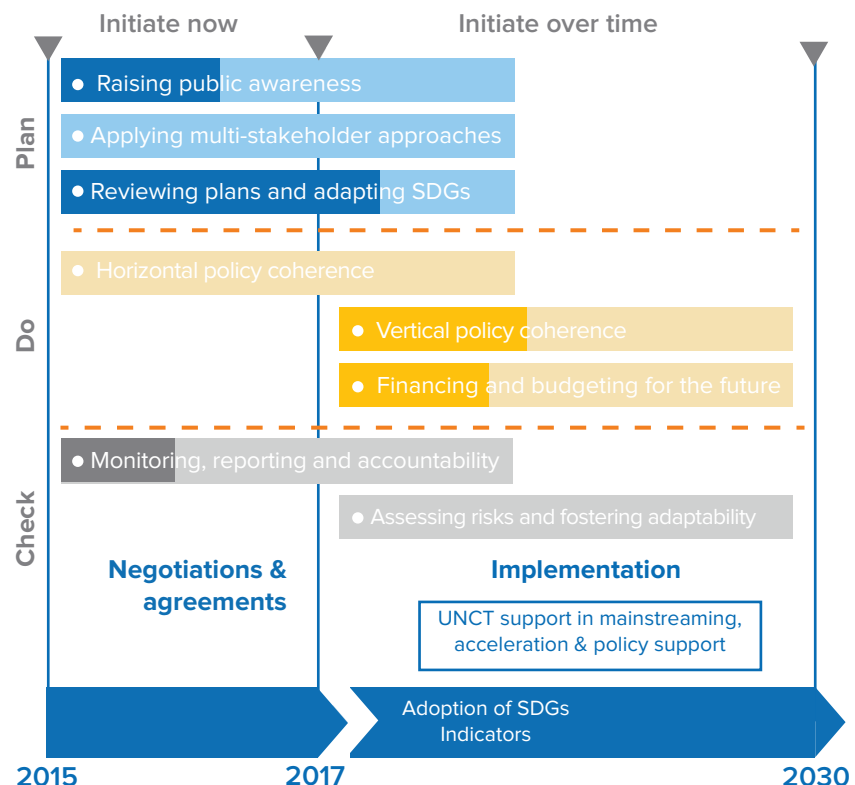
The Government of Jamaica has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ The UN MSDF reflects the new international development thrust of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and especially for us, will contribute to the fulfillment of the SAMOA Pathway. ”

Senator the Hon. Kamina Johnson Smith
Minister of Foreign Affairs & Foreign Trade.

Impact:

In 2016, the Government of Jamaica requested the support of the UN System to integrate the SDGs into its national development planning and implementation processes. In response, the UN Country Team launched a MAPS mission, and, in consultation with stakeholders and partners in government, Civil Society Organizations, donor and academia, it elaborated a road map for accelerating the SDGs. The roadmap was submitted to the Government, who indicated that it will be endorsed by the Cabinet as a signal of high level political commitment. Once endorsed, the UN will be able to establish specific levels of additional support to be provided to the Government as requested.

Partnership and coordination:



The Government of Jamaica is clear in its commitment to implementing the 2030 Agenda. To this end, it has established strong institutional arrangements which include a wide range of stakeholders with inclusive participation. UN Agencies are members of the Thematic Working Groups which address the relevant sectors in Jamaica's National Development Plan – 'Vision 2030 Jamaica'. It is also expected that UN Agencies will be members of the National 2030 Agenda Working Group (once approved by Cabinet).

Measuring development:



The UNCT plans to support the Government in identifying avenues and capacity strengthening in data collection, processing, analysis and dissemination to improve evidence base for monitoring the SDGs.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Jamaica:



Raising public awareness

Public awareness campaigns and accessible library with advocacy material on the 2030 Agenda.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Application of Rapid Integrated Assessment (RIA) revealing that SDG targets were reflected to 91% in Jamaica's planning documents and sectoral plans.

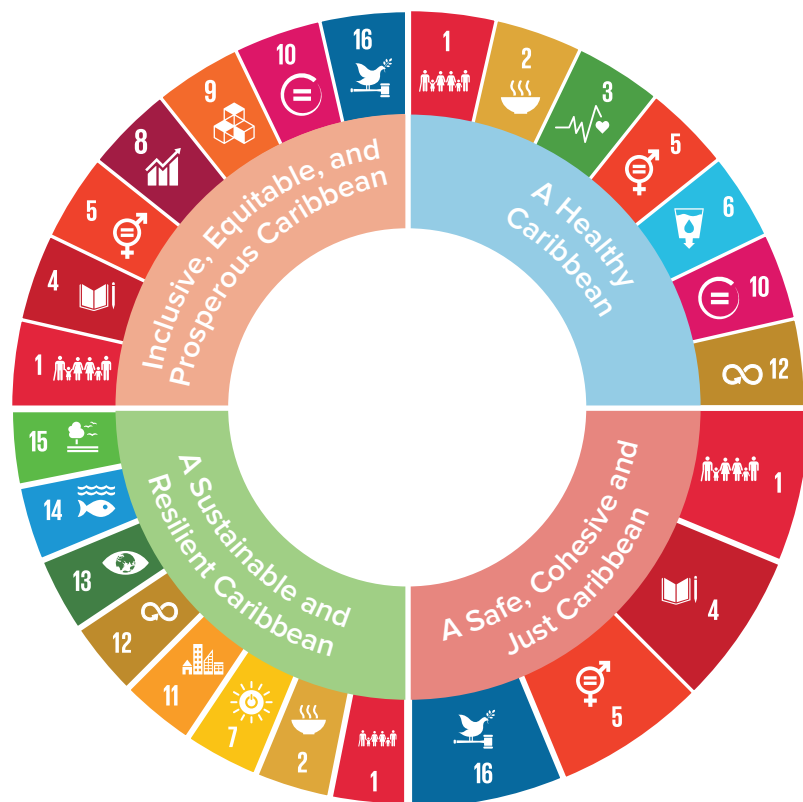


Vertical policy coherence:

Multi-stakeholder consultative bodies and forums to create partnership and coordination.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Multi-Country Sustainable Development Framework (UN MSDF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Jamaica and further stakeholders. The framework aims to ensure that no one is left behind in national development efforts and is clearly aligned with the SDGs and the SAMOA Pathway.



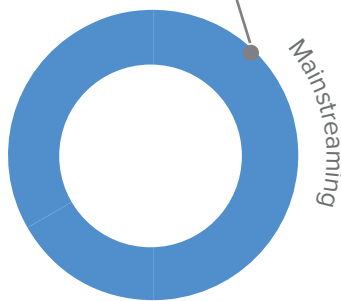
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in MEXICO



The Government of Mexico has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) - the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

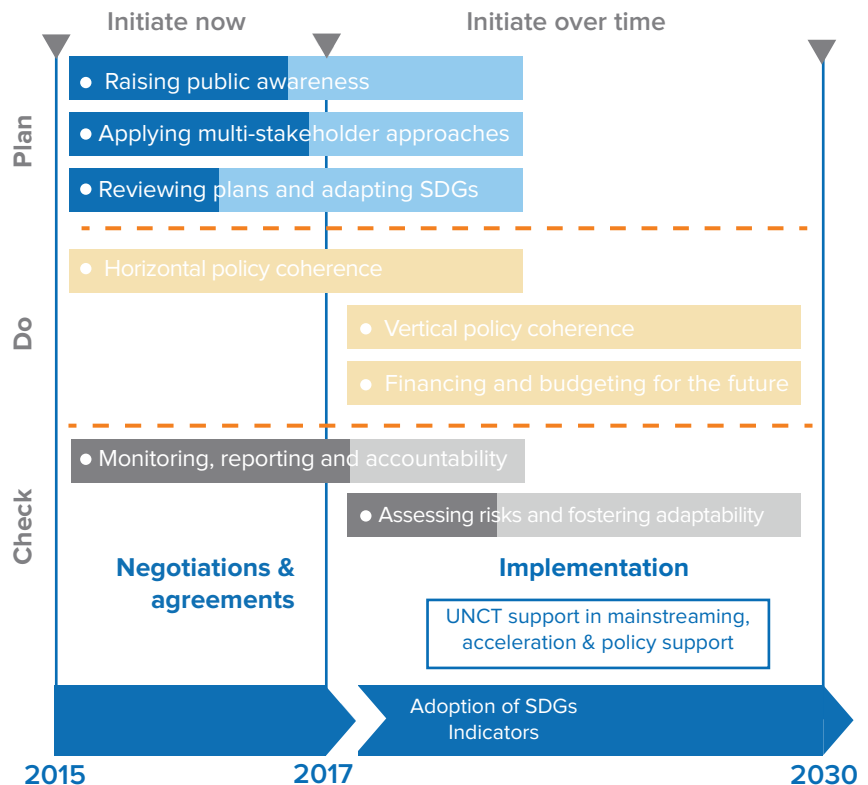
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ Governments should encourage increasingly inclusive and participatory societies, where all citizens enjoy the benefits of development. For the future, we have a roadmap defined precisely by the Sustainable Development Goals. ”

Enrique Peña Nieto, President of Mexico.

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

In 2016, Mexico embarked on the process of bringing the SDGs to the national level, of adapting national strategies and plans to the Agenda. In contribution to this process, that required breaking new ground and adopting a new mind set, the UNCT advocated on the 2030 Agenda among a wide range of stakeholders from the public and the private sector. Besides the participation in multiple forums, the advocacy strategy facilitated spaces for dialogue among academy, civil society, private sector and local authorities.

Nowadays, the UN Country Team is working with the Presidential Office in the definition of a national communications strategy to create national ownership towards the SDGs.

Furthermore, Mexico's senate created a workgroup to backup and monitor the Agenda implementation. And the Mexican Agency for International Development Cooperation (AMEXCID) launched an alliance for sustainability among the private sector and the Government.

Partnership and coordination:



The United Nations System in Mexico participates in the Technical Specialized Committee to Monitor the Progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (CTSODS for its acronym in Spanish). The System also supported the organization of many forums and dialogue events with national stakeholders to identify challenges, opportunities, best practices and mechanisms of implementation of the 2030 Agenda in Mexico. In 2016 Mexico presented a National voluntary Review on the implementation of 2030 Agenda at the High Level Political Forum organized by the United Nations.



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Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in México:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Assistance to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems for information exchanges, including reporting on key indicators.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Working with national councils or forums on SDG review and implementation.



Horizontal policy coherence

Technical assistance to Mexico's Ministry of Finance to identify programs that can be aligned to the Sustainable Development Goals and Targets.



Vertical policy coherence

Support to Mexico's Government to organize open dialogues and forums on how to better implement the Agenda 2030.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Mexico and further stakeholders.



Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in

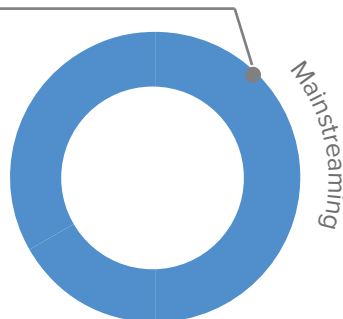
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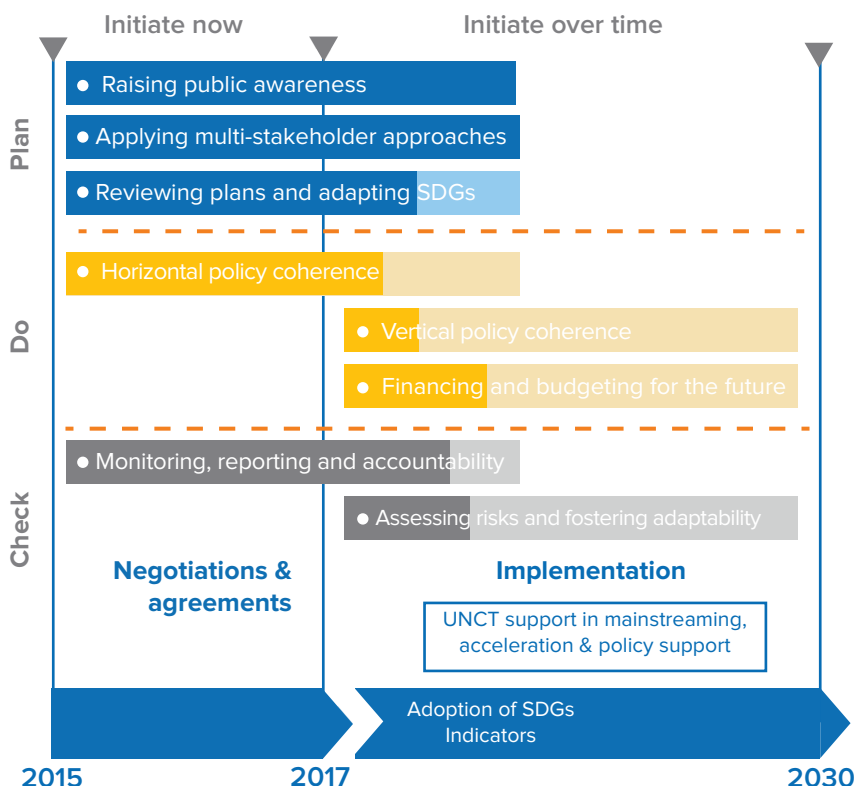
The Government of Panama has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) - the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“The Sustainable Development Goals are the vision of the world that we want and that we can have if we work together.”

Isabel de Saint Malo de Alvarado,
Vice President and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Panama

Impact:

The results of several initiatives in Panama were shared widely to accelerate the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. The MDG Acceleration Framework on Maternal Health (MDG 5) in the Ngäbe Buglé Region identified actions, bottlenecks and solutions within the framework of national capacities for reducing maternal deaths in the region. A Rapid Integrated Assessment reviewed national development plans as well as existing sectoral strategies in order to determine the relevance of the SDGs in the country context, both at the national and subnational levels. It also provided a summary of the level of alignment between the plans/ strategies (at the national and subnational levels) for the implementation of the SDGs and identified interconnections between the goals and sectoral areas of coordination.

Partnership and coordination:



The UN system is providing resources for financing technical consultancy for the elaboration of the National Development Plan "Panama 2030". It is also accompanying the Inter-Institutional Commission and Civil Society on the SDGs, the Social Cabinet (GabSoc), the National Concertation for Development and the Social Development Ministry (MIDES).

Measuring development:



The UN system has advanced in the design of a work plan with the National Institute of Statistics (INEC). The support will focus on: (i) designing an information platform to provide a common basis for the collection and integrated management of information; (ii) capacity building for the design and analysis of indicators; and (iii) strengthening the capacity for information analysis and policy evaluation.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Panama:



Raising public awareness

The UN Country Team accompanying the government in the design of the communication strategy of the SDGs.



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Capacity Building for National Institute of Statistics and Government to identify remaining gaps related to the SDGs and all potential sources of data.



Assessing risks and fostering adaptability

Fostering inclusive, learn-by-doing policy-making processes or monitoring of policy effects.

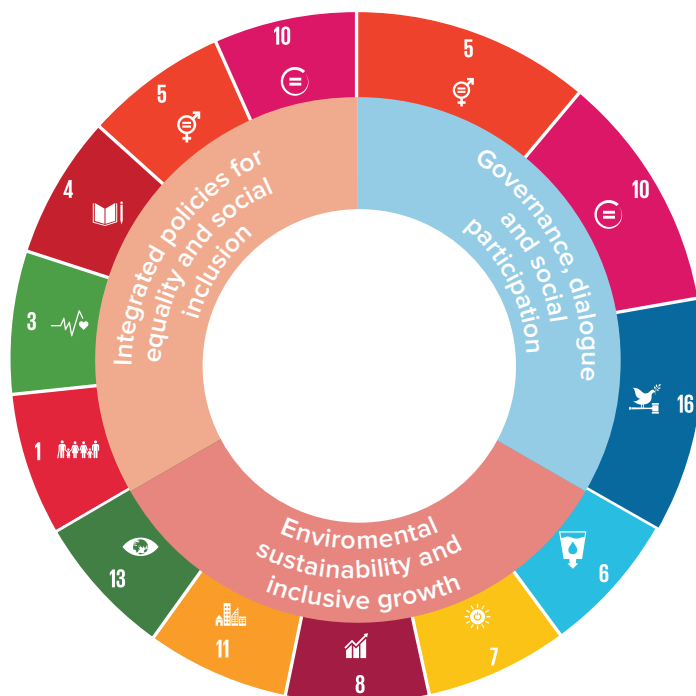


Financing and budgeting for the future

Establishment of the SIGOB platform for the government to associate investment projects with the SDGs they contribute to and track project performance in order to better align investments in the 2030 Agenda.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Panama and further stakeholders.



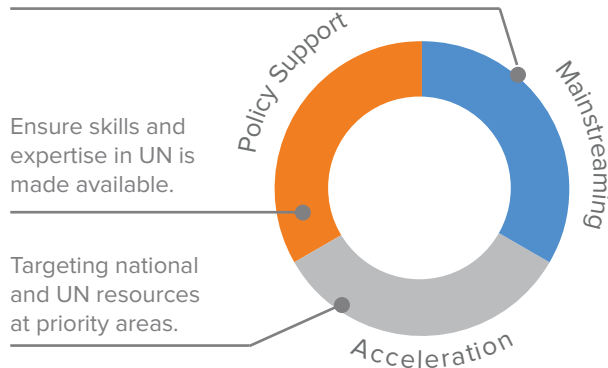
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in PARAGUAY



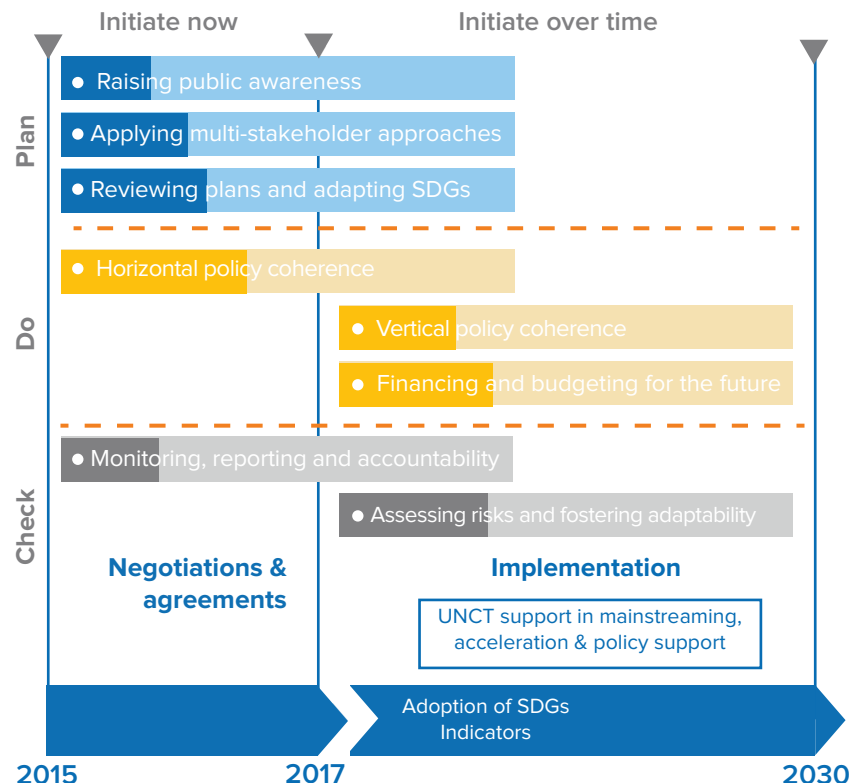
The Government of Paraguay has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration and Policy Support) - the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ More than ever we must do everything possible to achieve full compliance with the 2030 Agenda, which establishes the SDG, and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change. ”

Eladio Loizaga,
Minister of Foreign Affairs, Paraguay

Impact:

The Government established an interinstitutional coordination commission, headed by the MoFA, to implement, follow up and monitor the fulfillment of the country's SDG commitments, to which the UNCT provides any requested technical assistance to ensure the implementation of the 2030 Agenda in Paraguay. The UNCT offered to support the Government with the UNDP-SIGOB tool, a platform that tracks SDG-related actions carried out by SDG stakeholders. In addition, given the successful implementation of the System for Monitoring Human Rights Recommendations (SIMORE), the UNCT is providing support to SIMORE plus, a tool that will link Human Rights recommendations to the achievement of the SDGs.

In the framework of the 2030 Agenda, the UNCT has strengthened current partnerships and has formed new ones with public institutions, civil society organizations and private sector.

Partnership and coordination:



The UNCT supports the coordination of institutional mechanisms to create formal partnerships across sectoral line ministries and agencies.

Measuring development:



The UNCT supports strengthening existing data and metadata reporting systems or to create online systems for information exchanges, including reporting on key indicators and providing opportunities for both horizontal and vertical coordination (e.g. capacity building, technical support, development of national statistical systems etc.).

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Paraguay:



Raising public awareness

Workshops or trainings to sensitize government officials and stakeholders on the 2030 Agenda.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Initial multi-stakeholder engagement for increasing public awareness of The 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Making initial recommendations to the leadership of the national government for addressing SDG gaps in existing strategies and plans.

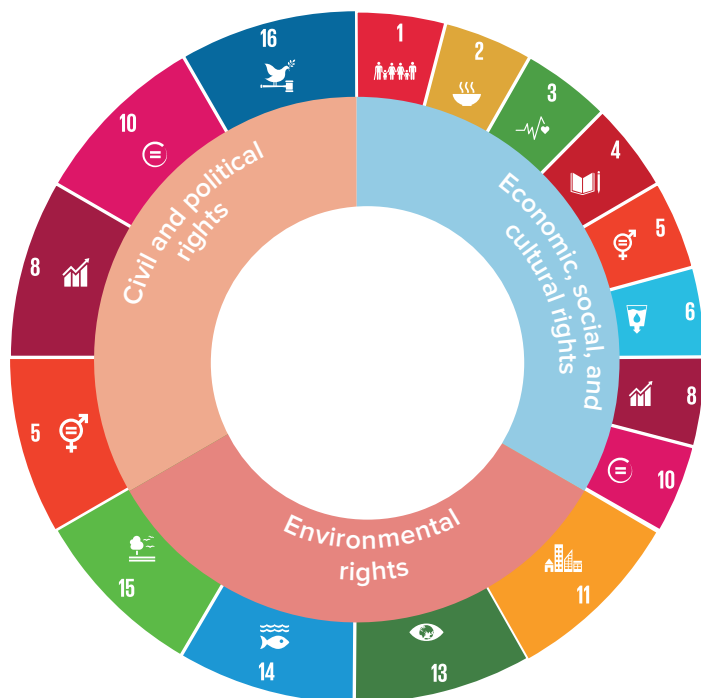


Vertical policy coherence

Multi-stakeholder consultative bodies and forums to create partnership and coordination.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the government of Paraguay and further stakeholders. As the overarching framework for the common work of the United Nations in the country, it is fully aligned with the 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals.



Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in

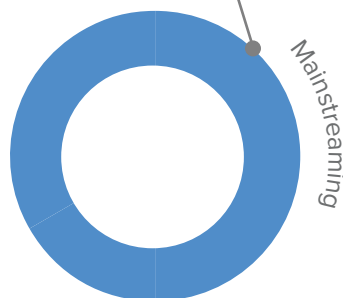
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The Government of Peru has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

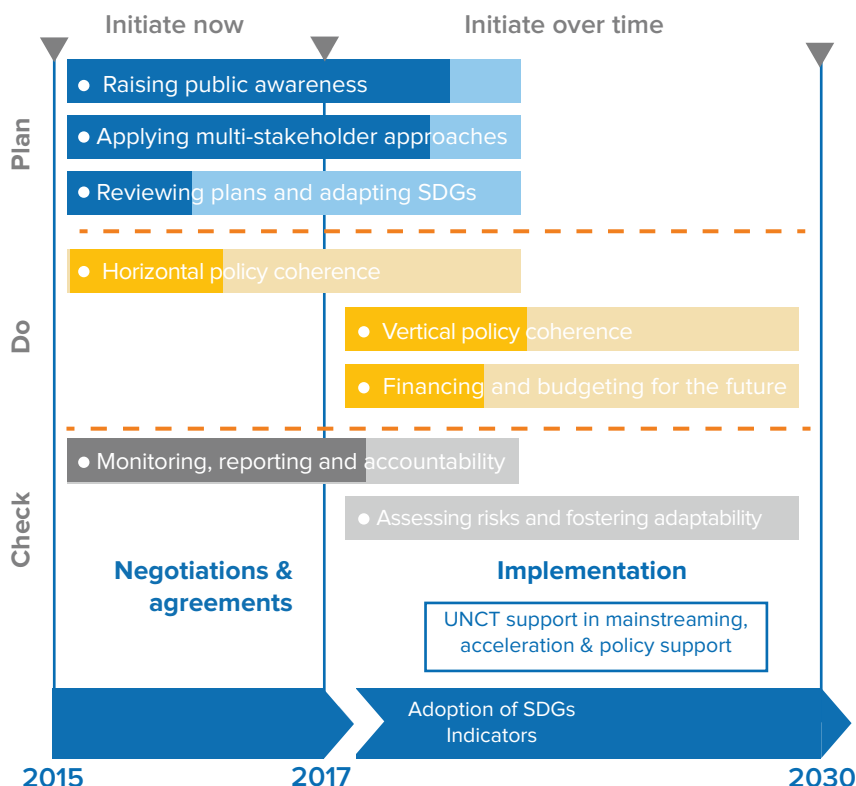
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ During the next five years, we will combat poverty and lack of opportunities by focusing the public policies in Peru to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals set forth by the UN. ”

Mr. Fernando Zavala,
President of the Council of Ministries (PCM) of Peru

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

Support of the National Institute for Statistics to measure the 2030 Agenda

During 2016-2017, a consultancy was hired with funds from the UN in Peru to work with the National Institute for Statistics in proposing a work plan for the elaboration of the national SDG baseline. This consultancy, which was supervised by the Interagency Monitoring & Evaluation Group of the UN, conducted an analysis regarding the SDG indicators that were being produced by sectors of government, as well as the periodicity and sustainability of their production, and then proposed recommendations in order to collect data of interest. The consultancy also presented recommendations for indicator development and data collection at the sub-national level. These inputs were taken into consideration for the online platform for follow-up of the SDG implementation, recently launched by the National Institute for Statistics: <http://ods.inei.gob.pe/ods/inicio.html>.

Partnership and coordination:



The national government has decided to use pre-existing institutional arrangements for the implementation and follow-up of the 2030 Agenda. The implementation will be led by the Presidency of the Council of Ministries, and operationalized by the National Center for Strategic Planning as well as the National Institute for Statistics. The UN system in Peru provides support in the elaboration of the first National Voluntary Review of the country that will be presented in July 2017, and a proposal is being drafted in order to provide assistance in the elaboration of a national SDG baseline report for this year. The UN Country Team will establish a periodic review process with the National Center for Strategic Planning and the Institute for Statistics that will take place every 4 months.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Peru:



Raising public awareness

Public campaigns and publications aiming to raise awareness of the 2030 Agenda.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Recommendations made to the leadership of the national government for addressing SDG gaps in existing strategies and plans.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Public expenditure reviews or budget mainstreaming for integrating specific issues into fiscal budgets.

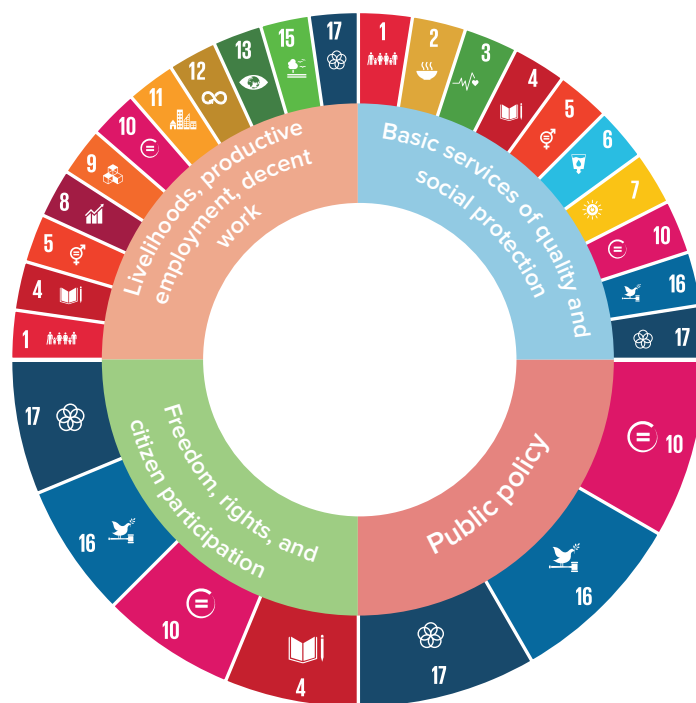


Horizontal policy coherence

Facilitation of institutional mechanisms to create formal partnerships across sectoral line ministries and agencies.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Cooperation Framework defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Peru and further stakeholders.

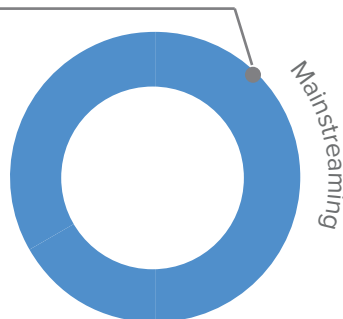




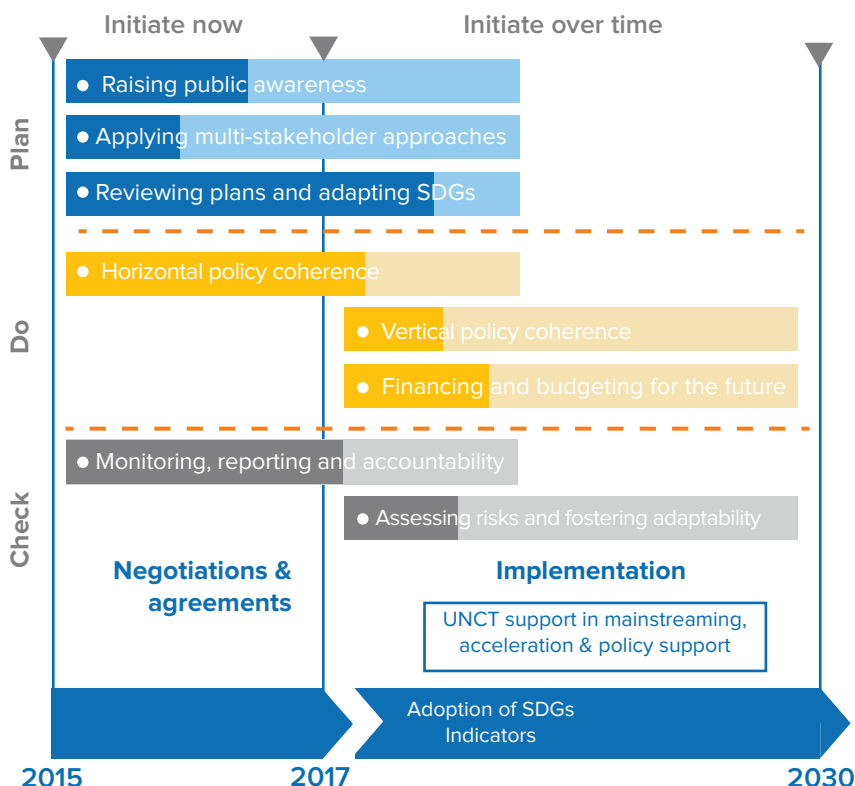
The Government of Suriname has requested support to the UN Country Team in one of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ SDG for you, SDG for me,
SDG for us all for a
better tomorrow. ”

SDG Slogan originally in Sranan Tongo
(a local dialect in Suriname)

Impact:

Academic discourse on opportunities and challenges for Small States in Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

The UN Country Team in Suriname contributed to various academic discourses with regards to the 2030 Agenda.

For example, the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) Country Office Suriname in collaboration with the Institute of International Relations of the Anton de Kom University (IIR / Adekus) organized in November 2016 a two-day regional academic seminar entitled "Academic discourse on opportunities and challenges for Small States in Achieving the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)" The academic world and the world of policy makers had been given the opportunity to discuss the matter with a view to creating more awareness around the SDGs and the role that academia and research could play. During this seminar, scholars from Trinidad and Tobago, Cuba, Guyana, Brazil and Suriname presented papers which dealt with the SDGs in relation to small states. There were papers presented on the implementation of localizing the SDGs in Suriname, Climate change and the SDGs, safety and the SDGs, the Cuban perspective/experience on the SDGs and resilience building, and South-South cooperation and the SDGs. The seminar was preceded by the launch of the Caribbean Human Development Report by the United Nations. As part of the launch, a panel with speakers of the Parliament, University chair, a Director of the General Bureau of Statistics, a Representative of the Inter-American Development Bank (IDB) and a representative of a Civil Society Organization discussed the content of the report. This seminar was broadcasted via livestream for the first time to the Caribbean and other countries in the world.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Suriname:



Monitoring, reporting and accountability

Assistance to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems.



Assessing risks and fostering adaptability

Fostering inclusive, learn-by-doing policy-making processes or monitoring of policy effects.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Identify SDG gaps and development of recommendations to the government how to overcome these gaps.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Capacity building in the field of outcome-based and participatory budgeting to support the results-based framework.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Multi-Country Sustainable Development Framework (UN MSDF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Suriname and further stakeholders.



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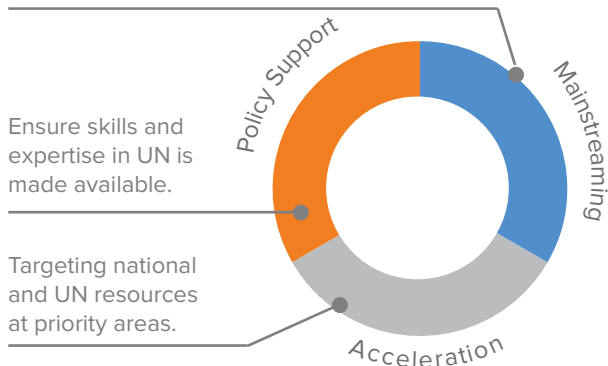
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in TRINIDAD & TOBAGO



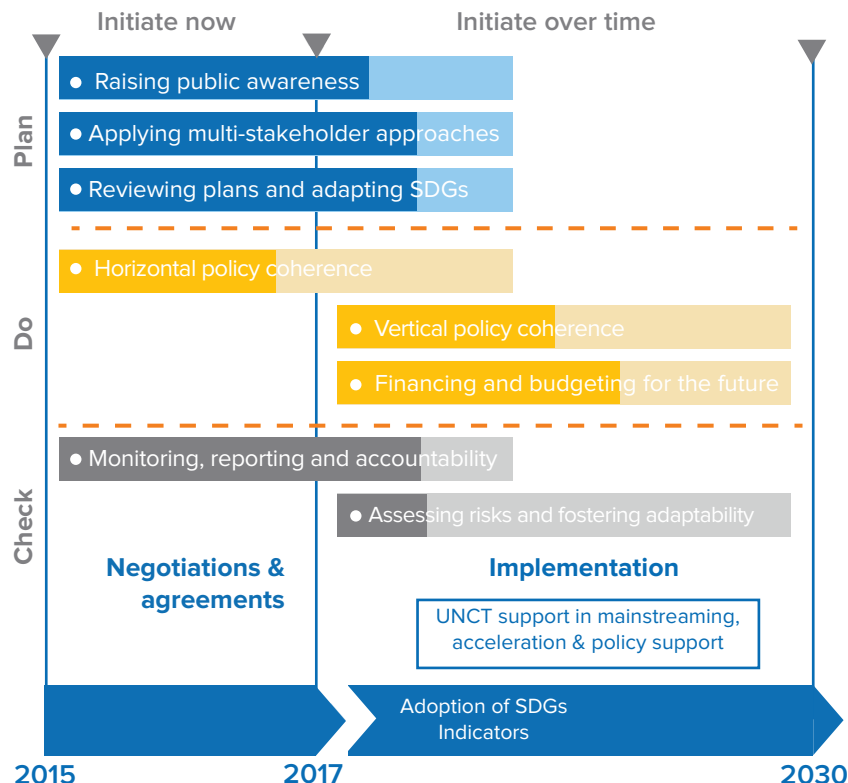
The Government of Trinidad and Tobago has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ We must ensure that the laws passed by our Parliament take into consideration the 17 Sustainable Development Goals agreed to the United Nations for a new development agenda. ”

Anthony Thomas Aquinas Carmona O.R.T.T., S.C,
President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.

Impact:

Capacity building for the 2030 Agenda

The UNCT has supported the Government in the alignment of the country's Vision 2030 with the SDGs, by providing technical support through capacity building workshops as well as reviewing of the draft 2016 – 2030 National Strategic Plan for Trinidad and Tobago. Through the alignment of national objectives and the 2030 Agenda, national and UN resources are bundled to create the maximum impact on development in Trinidad and Tobago.

Partnership and coordination:



The United Nations Country Team in Trinidad and Tobago is actively supporting the coordination of the national response to the 2030 Agenda by closely working with the Ministry of Planning and Sustainable Development. Various UNCT members are developing detailed analyses on the country's socio-economic situation, which are being integrated in to the Ministry's work through its Technical Cooperation Unit.

Measuring development:



The UN Country Team in Trinidad and Tobago provides technical support to the Government on the data challenges of the SDGs and on developing the monitoring and evaluation tools to measure its progress in achieving the SDGs. The UNCT in Trinidad and Tobago also collectively supports the Central Statistics office in the establishment of an SDG Database, which is an ongoing initiative for 2017.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Trinidad & Tobago:



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Reviewing existing strategies and plans at the national, sub-national and local levels and identifying areas for change.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Guidance to Government on how to conduct multi-stakeholder dialogue to assist with the process of engagement.



Vertical policy coherence

Monitoring and review of local level policies for localizing nationally-tailored SDGs.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Capacity building in the field of outcome-based and participatory budgeting as well as public expenditure reviews and budget mainstreaming.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Multi-Country Sustainable Development Framework (UN MSDF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Trinidad and Tobago. The framework aims to ensure that no one is left behind in national development efforts, is clearly aligned with the SDGs and the SAMOA Pathway.



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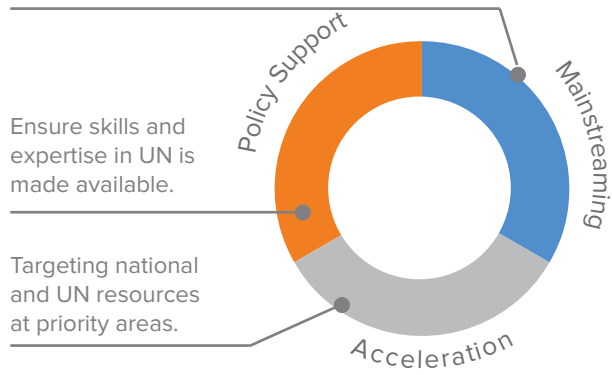
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in URUGUAY



The Government of Uruguay has requested support to the UN Country Team in the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming, Acceleration, and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

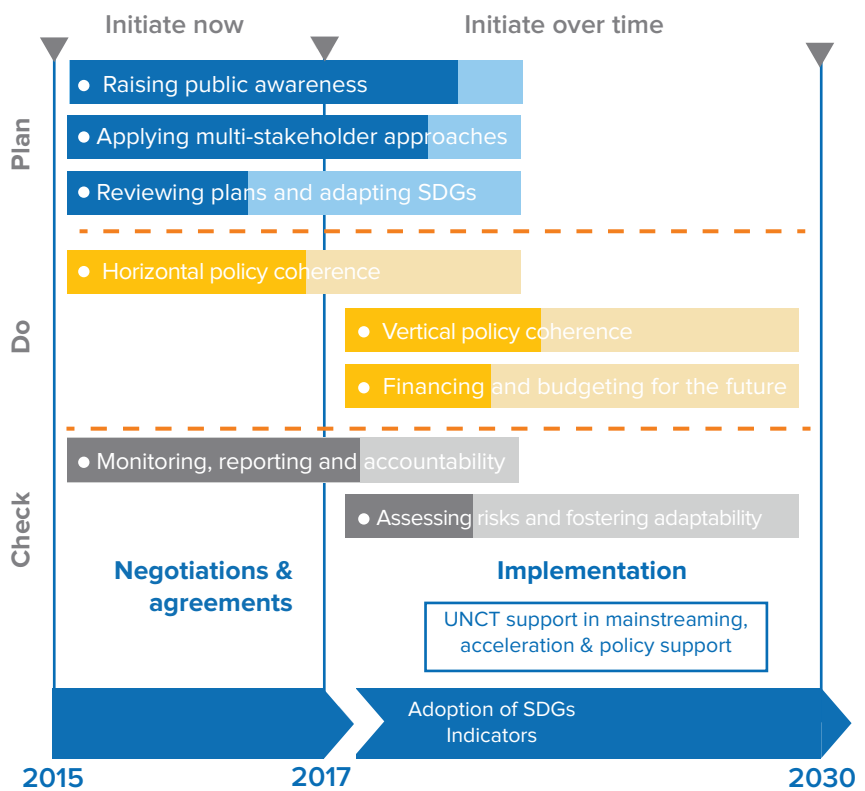
Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



“ Uruguay is committed to the SDGs, coherent with the inclusive growth path we are following. ”

Álvaro García,
Director of the Office for Planning and Budgeting (OPP)

Support provided by the UN Country Team:



Impact:

Engaging artists to raise awareness of the 2030 Agenda Together with the National Secretariat of Sports.

The UN system in Uruguay developed an online spot to raise national awareness about specific Sustainable Development Goals.

Several athletes from the Uruguayan delegation to the 2016 Rio Olympic Games lent their talents and their voice to the campaign. The spot was widely broadcast on social media and received nearly 4000 views on YouTube (as of February 2017). [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EWk_Fdrj694&t=1s]

Partnership and coordination:



Uruguay established a three-institution mechanism to implement the 2030 Agenda: the Office of Planning and Budgeting (OPP), the National Statistics Institute (INE) and Uruguayan Agency for International Cooperation (AUCI). The UN System is supporting this mechanism in follow up, monitoring and reporting. Additionally, institutional support delivered comprises assistance of UN Agency, Funds and Programs to enable Uruguayan institutions to adapt national statistical capacities to the Global Indicators Framework as well as ongoing political dialogue with national counterparts to focus efforts on key SDG priorities in the country.

Measuring development:



The UN Country Team is supporting Uruguay with the development of indicators related to specific SDGs, related projects cover for instance SDG 6 and SDG 16. Also assistance is provided to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Uruguay:



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Guidance to Governments on how to conduct multi-stakeholder dialogue to assist with the process of engagement.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Making recommendations to the Government on how to overcome SDG gaps in national plans.



Vertical policy coherence

Monitoring and review at the local level as a means for localizing nationally-tailored SDGs.



Financing and budgeting for the future

Advocacy to promote public spending in SDG priorities and greater focus on vulnerable populations.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Strategic Cooperation Framework defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Uruguay and further stakeholders.



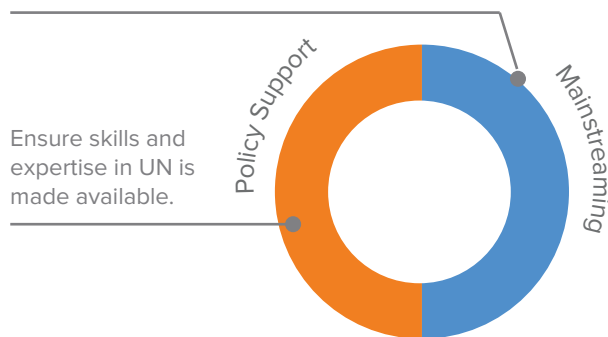
Support of the UN Country Team to the 2030 Agenda in VENEZUELA



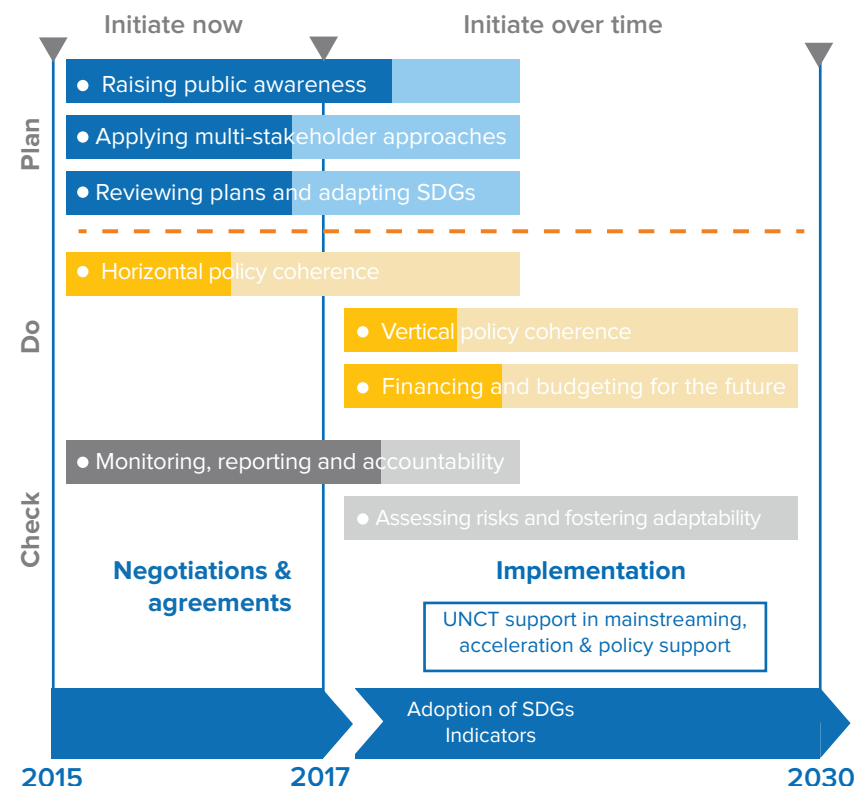
The Government of Venezuela has requested support to the UN Country Team in two of the three main pillars of the MAPS (Mainstreaming and Policy Support) – the joint approach adopted by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG) to support national governments with the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

Support requested per MAPS pillar:

Landing the 2030 Agenda at national local levels, and integrating it into plans and budget.



Support provided by the UN Country Team:



“ We will actively take on the responsibility of the United Nations’ 17 Sustainable Development Goals and will incorporate them into our Country Development Plan (Plan de la Patria). ”

Nicolás Maduro,
President of Venezuela.

Impact:

Inclusive communication of the 2030 Agenda to leave no-one behind

The UN Country Team in Venezuela developed a brochure on the Sustainable Development Goals containing information explaining the new thematic focus of sustainable development in the 2030 Agenda and the necessity of a joint effort by the public, private and civil society sector. The brochure is entitled “10 simples pasos por los ODS” and consciously aims to use simple language and narrative instead of technical terms to avoid exclusion of any kind. To further maximize inclusion, an audiovisual video was produced. Besides, a new partnership and capacity building initiative was launched, which is based on the successful previous campaign “Caravana de los ODM” that managed to educate more than 800 candidates of the Parliamentary Elections in 2010 in 6 cities of the country about the Millennium Development Goals. The new campaign, entitled “Caravana de los ODS” aims to sensitize the private, public, civil society and academic sector about the necessity to form alliances for shared priorities in the field of sustainable development and become multipliers of key messages.

Measuring development:



The UN Country Team in Venezuela actively supports the National Institution of Statistics in different forms: (I) Support for indicator development; (II) Assistance to strengthen existing data and metadata reporting systems including reporting on key indicators and providing opportunities for both horizontal and vertical coordination; (III) Assistance with review processes and mechanisms for reviewing progress on nationally and sub-nationally tailored SDGs; and (IV) Assistance in the formulation of SDG reports.

Examples of activities implemented by the UNCT to support the 2030 Agenda in Venezuela:



Raising public awareness

Public campaigns and publications aiming to raise awareness of the 2030 Agenda.



Applying multi-stakeholder approaches

Guidance to the Government on how to conduct multi-stakeholder dialogue to assist with the process of engagement for the SDGs.



Reviewing plans and adapting SDGs

Assessment of the alignment between SDGs and existing strategies at the national, sub-national and local levels through a Rapid Integrated Assessment and development of recommendations to the government how to close gaps in alignment.



Vertical policy coherence

Monitoring and review of the SDGs at the local level as a means for localizing nationally-tailored SDGs.

The UNDAF strategic priorities and the SDGs:

The United Nations Development Assistance Framework (UNDAF) defines how the UN will jointly achieve development results in partnership with the Government of Venezuela and further stakeholders.



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