



Rio+20: Overview and Implications

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Outline

- Rio+20 key outcomes
- Implications for MGS
- Key Entry Points - SDG, High Level Forum etc.
- National and Thematic Consultations
- Issues for consideration



Major Rio+20 Outcomes

Reaffirmation: Rio Summit producing the Rio Principles, Agenda 21, and the Johannesburg Summit Plan of Implementation

Green Economy: recognizes green economy as one of the important tools available for achieving SD

IFSD:

-Establishes a universal inter-governmental high level political forum, on SD; and
-Strengthens and upgrades UNEP

Sustainable Development Goals: Inclusive and transparent intergovernmental process on sustainable development goals that is open to all stakeholders



- Reaffirms agreements that were made in previous UN conferences on SD
- Recognizes Green Economy as an important tool to achieve SD
- Agreed to strengthen the International Framework for Sustainable Development
- To do this, the document called for the establishment of a high level intergovernmental forum on SD
- It also calls for the strengthening of UNEP
- Reinforce IEG and reaffirm the core mandates of UNEP enshrined in Stockholm (1972), Nairobi (1997) and Malmö (2000)
- Strengthens and upgrades UNEP
- Recognizes UNEP's role as the leading global env. authority setting global env. agenda and promote the coherent
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Implications for MGS

- 677 contributions, 493 MGS
- 90 refs to Major Groups, 70 refs to MGS positions
- Additional refs to other groups – national, subregional, regional legislatures, judiciaries, local communities, volunteer groups, foundations, migrants, older persons and persons with disability (para 43)



- **Largest number of contributions received for Zero Draft Document were from Major Groups. As mentioned by Dr. Park, it constituted more than 70% of inputs received**
- **There were many references to topics and areas advocated by Major Groups, this includes human rights, public participation, access to information**
- **Document also made references to other groups to include national, subregional legislatures, older persons, persons with disability and more**

From despair to...hope

Criticism

lack of moral purpose

lack of urgency

non-binding nature

regression on a number of universally agreed principles

process and spirit of the negotiations



- **Not everyone was happy with the outcome document and had a number of criticisms leveled at it.**
- **The non-binding nature of the text was one of the criticisms, some felt we went back on some universally agreed principles.**
- **Another criticism was that while there was an open call for inputs, the process and negotiations were not as open. Major groups had little say in the final negotiations and had no speaking rights**

Sustainable Development Goals



Para 248: *“We resolve to establish an inclusive and transparent intergovernmental process on SDGs that is open to all stakeholders, with a view to developing global sustainable development goals to be agreed by the General Assembly....”*

- Open working group to be constituted by the 67th session (Sept 2012) of the GA
- 30 representatives, nominated by Member States from the 5 UN regional groups
- Report to the 68th session of the GA (Sept – Dec 2013)

MGS issues:

Fair equitable balanced
geographic representation perspectives
experience diversity



- The formation of the SDGs and their interface with the post-2015 development agenda is one of the most important follow-up actions initiated by Rio+20
- The open working group is made up of 30 representatives nominated by members states from 5 regional bodies
- This working group will decide on the method of work including developing modalities for the full participation of MGS, Scientific bodies and UN system
- This body will present a report to the GA in 2013

High Level Political Forum

- **Para 84:** “ We decide to establish a universal intergovernmental high level political forum, building on the strengths, experiences, resources and inclusive participation modalities of the Commission on Sustainable Development, and subsequently replacing the Commission ...”

Para. 86: “We decide to launch an intergovernmental and open, transparent and inclusive negotiation process under the General Assembly to define the high level forum’s format and organizational aspects with the aim of convening the first high level forum at the beginning of the 68th session of the GA.”

- First session in September 2013

MGS issues:

Authority of the Forum Engagement and participation
model Mandate



- **Another outcome is the formation of the High Level Political Forum which is expected to hold it’s first session in September 2013**
- **Among the issues related for this forum that needs to be addressed are:**
 - **it’s authority over existing bodies**
 - **The need to ensure complementarity among UN bodies and avoiding overlaps**
 - **Coming up with a model for engagement and participation**

Finance

Para. 255: “establish an intergovernmental process under the auspices of the General Assembly, with technical support from the United Nations system and in **open and broad consultation with relevant international and regional financial institutions and other relevant stakeholders.**”

Para. 256: “An intergovernmental committee, comprising 30 experts nominated by regional groups, with equitable geographical representation, will implement this process, concluding its work **by 2014.**”

- Report on options for effective sustainable development financing by 2014

MGS issues:

assess financing needs effectiveness
consistency
synergies instruments frameworks



- This intergovernmental body will have to prepare a report that proposes options for a financing strategy for sustainable development, a strategy that mobilizes resources and uses these resources effectively to achieve the goals of SD

ISSUES:

- How to assess the financial needs
- To consider the effectiveness, consistency and synergies of current financial instruments and frameworks

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