

IMPLEMENTING THE 2030 AGENDA IN COUNTRIES AND REGIONS: SHARING FOR LEARNING



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Implementing the 2030 Agenda at the regional level *The Walloon experience*

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Implementing SDGs through the 2nd Walloon Sustainable Development Strategy

Why?

- WSDS = **Transversal policy** promoting SD in Wallonia, in line with the international commitments

« *A guidance and actions document to promote initiative and consistency for sustainable development in the public policies of the Walloon Region*» (Decree on WSDS - 27 June 2013, art. 2)

Implementation under the responsibility of the different Ministers and administrations

- **Appropriate timing** for integrating SDGs

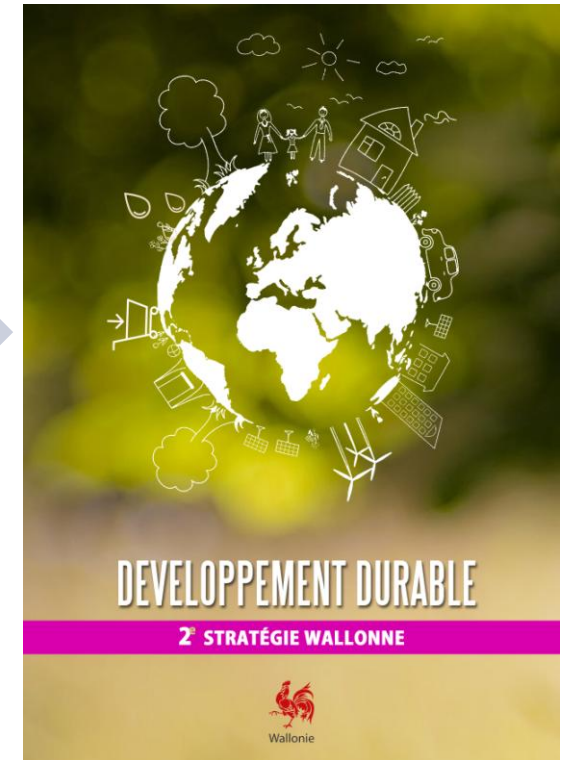
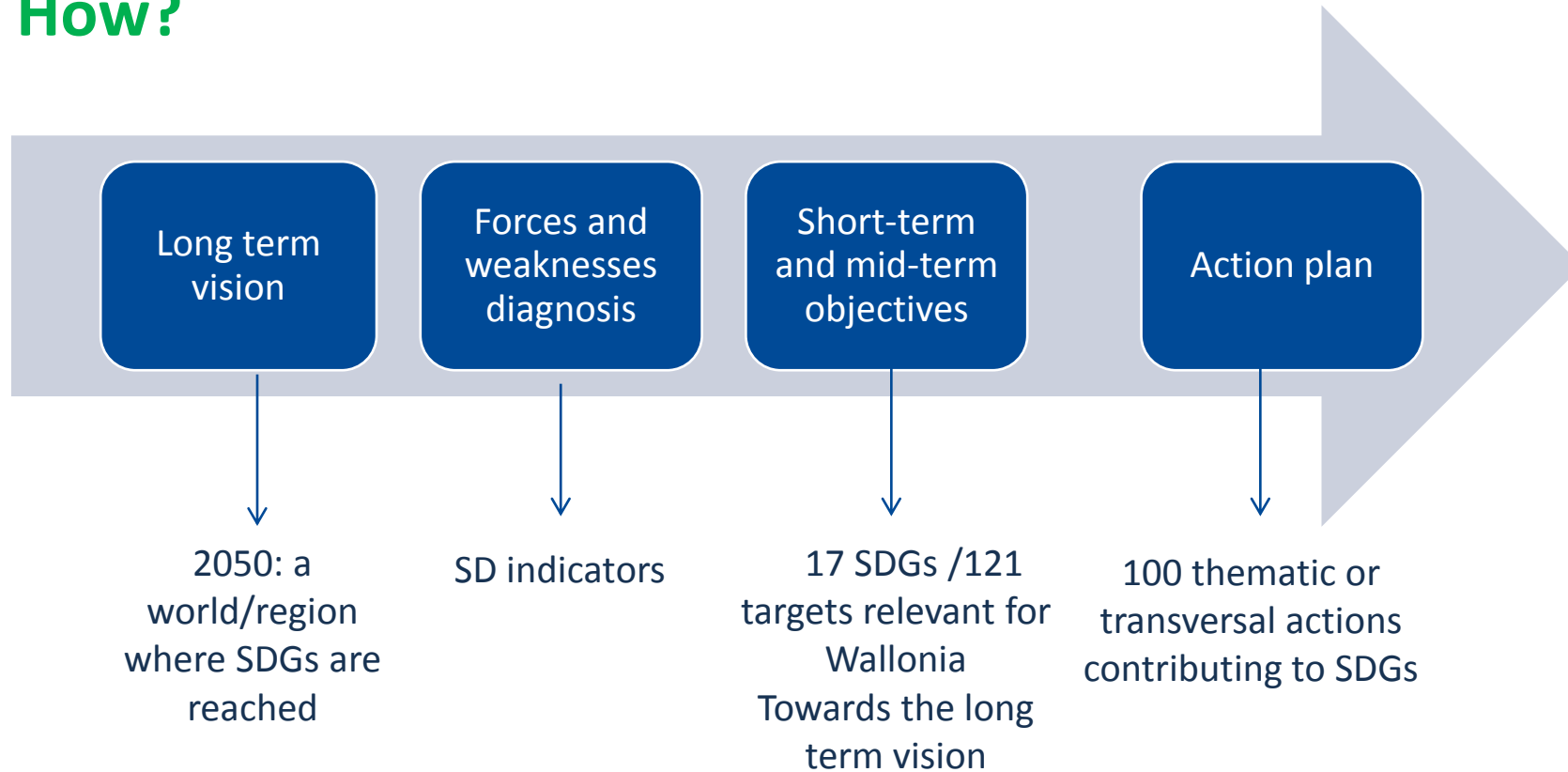
Elaboration of the 2nd WSDS during the 2030 Agenda negotiations

Adoption of the 2nd WSDS by the Walloon Government in July 2016



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- Contribution of the 100 actions of the WSDS to SDGs **complementary to other regional actions plans**
 - *Thematic actions:* food – energy – resources (SDGs 2-6-7-8-9-11-12-13-15)
 - *Transversal actions:* participation - information – education & research – social responsibility – public procurement – international (SDGS 9-12-13-16-17)
- **Specific actions for promoting and monitoring SDGs at the regional level**
 - Elaboration of the 1st report about implementation of SDGs in Wallonia
 - Mention to which SDGs contribute projects of Government's decisions
 - Communication actions (website – Movies Festival – future campaign for specific publics)



Monitoring SDGs implementation in Wallonia

First report (April 2017)

- 1° inventory of regional strategies – programmes – plans contributing to SDGs
- 2° indicators for monitoring SDGs in Wallonia (70)
- 3° examples of concrete actions contributing to SDGs (public authorities)
- 4° examples of concrete actions contributing to SDGs (civil society)

➔ Contribution to the national VNR for Belgium (July 2017)



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Mentioning SDGs in policy notes : a good idea only at first sight?

Just tick the boxes 'SDGs' *ex-post* when the policy note is ready, without extended analysis

→ Raising awareness of policy makers?

→ SDGs do not really guide policies ...

→ How to better integrate SDGs in the policy making process ?

- SDGs impact assessment *ex ante*

- Trainings for civil servants/policy makers



Implementing SDGs in Wallonia: what next?

Preparation of the next WSDS (2019): how further/better integrate SDGs in terms of content and process?

→ Challenges

- Reinforcing civil society participation
- Reinforcing vertical integration: from regional to local level, support to bottom-up initiatives
- Reinforcing horizontal integration // place of the WSDS in regional policies
- Updating/improving the list of indicators for monitoring SDGs in Wallonia

→ Need to exchange with other European regions/countries!



Thank you for your attention!

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