





Policy coherence for sustainable development: mainstreaming the SDGs in Italian decision making process

Structural Reform Support Programme

3rd Workshop

Connecting the existing evaluation and monitoring mechanisms related to sustainability within the revision of the National Sustainable Development Strategy and towards the PCSD Action Plan



Duration: 4 hours

Format: Zoom with working language English

Date: Thursday, 17 June 2021

Time: 9h00-13h00 CET

Objectives:

The workshop will contribute to investigate the existing evaluation and monitoring mechanisms for sustainability with a view to support the updating of the NSDS indicators and elaborate the PCSD Action Plan, to be formulated as the result of the project. With due attention to distinguishing between the monitoring and policy evaluation approaches, the workshop will focus on steering a cross-ministerial and multi-level governance dialogue to facilitate integration of NSDS Strategic Objectives and set of indicators into Italy's budgetary, programming and decision-making processes.

The 3rd workshop will focus on "how" to systematize the existing evaluation and monitoring mechanisms related to sustainability around the 43 indicators under review for monitoring the NSDS. The workshop will build on the past events such as the Preparatory Conference "Verso la Conferenza Nazionale per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile", 3 and 4 March 2021, and the Workshop dedicated to measuring sustainability "Metriche e misurazioni a supporto del monitoraggio degli obiettivi nazionali di sviluppo sostenibile", 31 March 2021.

A background note with a few selected questions will be provided in advance to discussants/panellists and participants to steer discussions. In terms of modalities, the moderator will open the floor after each or few interventions, build interlinkages and connecting dots.







Expected outcomes:

- Identify options to enable connecting the existing evaluation and monitoring mechanisms for sustainability in a coherent way and in alignment with the NSDS;
- Identify viable options for systematizing existing indicators frameworks for policy assessment:
- Gather knowledge and best practices on how to mainstream NSDS Strategic Objectives and relevant indicators in the budgetary, programming and decision-making processes.

<u>9.00</u>

Welcoming Remarks

Tatyana TEPLOVA, Head of division Policy Coherence For Sustainable Development, Justice and Gender, Public Governance Directorate, OECD

Renzo TOMELLINI, Head of Technical Secretariat of the Minister of Ecological Transition, MiTE

9.10

Session 1 - Setting the scene: mapping and connecting sustainability indicator frameworks to monitor and evaluate policies across institutions in the context of the NSDS revision process

- The implementation and revision process of the NSDS: monitoring and assessment needs and tools.

MiTE – Mara Cossu (Division II - DG CRESS)

- Analysis of the situation in Italy: assessing the coherence of the NSDS and EWS/BES measurement frameworks along key parameters, and their relation to the NSDS strategic objectives and related policies.

OECD – Ziga Zarnic, Liva Stokenberga, Guillaume Cohen (Directorate WISE)

Discussants:

- ISTAT:
 - o Alessandra Tinto BES/EWS indicators
 - Angela Ferruzza IAEG SDGs indicator framework
- **ISPRA Giovanni Finocchiaro** *Environmental statistics and reporting*
- MoF/MEF Susan Battles (DG Economic and Financial Analysis)

Questions from the floor with OECD moderation. Wrap up. Rapporteur, Andrea Innamorati (AT Sogesid SpA/MiTE)

Break (5)	min)







Two subsequent Sessions in the form of WGs, facilitated by the OECD.

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Session 2 - Introducing sustainability measurements in the budget cycle: lessons learned and future scenarios

- Mapping the links between the NSDS and the missions included in the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR).

AT Sogesid SpA/MiTE – Francesca De Crescenzo (Division II - DG CRESS)

Questions from the floor with OECD moderation.

- Lessons learned: the system PBC (Programmazione Bilancio Controllo) and integration of the objectives and indicators of the Regional Strategy for Sustainable Development (SRSvS) in the financial programming (DEFR).
 - Liguria Region Cristina Gestro (Sustainable Development Sector) and Luisa Casu (Financial Programming and Statistics)
- Lessons learned from introducing the SDGs in the budget cycle, how the SDGs influenced policy formulation and spending, how the mechanisms will change with the introduction of the NRRP

Tecnostruttura for the Regions for the Social European Fund - Cecilia Cellai

Questions from the floor with OECD moderation (Stefano Marta, Centre for entrepreneurship, regions and cities).

Wrap up. Rapporteur, Isabelle Ronvaux (UTS Sogesid SpA/MiTE)

Break (5min)	

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Session 3 - Connecting the dots. Positioning policy tools for mainstreaming sustainability along the policy cycle

- Positioning the coherence tools along the policy cycle. Initial findings from the Draft Italian Governance Scan
 - **OECD Anna Piccinni (Public Governance Directorate)**
- Use of NSDS indicators to orient cohesion policies Elaboration and use of the Cohesion Matrix NSDS/MFF 2021/2027

MiTE – Mara Cossu (Division II - DG CRESS)







- Towards a set of sustainable development indicators to orient CIPESS' investment decisions

DIPE – Maria Elena Camarda (Nucleo di Valutazione e Verifica degli Investimenti Pubblici - NUVV)

- NSDS as sustainability framework for multilevel environmental assessments (VAS)

MiTE – Anna Maria Maggiore (Division V – DG CRESS)

Questions from the floor with OECD moderation. Wrap up. Rapporteur, Francesca De Crescenzo (AT Sogesid SpA/MiTE)

Break (5min)

12.30 Conclusions and next steps Wrap up MiTE /OECD.