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Italy's National Action Plan for Policy Coherence for Sustainable Development

Vision and Leadership

	Action	Targets
Relevance for the OECD PCSD Recommendation: **Pillar I:** Develop a strategic vision for achieving the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in an integrated and coherent manner. **Principle I.1:** Building a strong, inclusive political commitment and leadership at the highest political level to foster whole-of-government action for PCSD.		
Expected result 1.1: Endorsing an institutional mechanism for integrated policy- making and enabling the NSDS as the reference policy framework and for strengthening PCSD at all levels		
Link with NSDS (Vettori)		
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development **Ob. 1 - 1.1** **Ob. 2 - 2.1, 2.2**	**Action 1.1.1** – In 2022, within the Delibera approving the NSDS revision 2022 by the CITE (Interministerial Committee for Ecological Transition), the NSDS is recognised as the policy reference framework for the definition of public policies and investments and a mechanism for integrated decision making is adopted. Such mechanism includes: the establishment of the "NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group" [See 2.1.1] and of the "NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group" [see 2.1.2]; the consolidation of the territorial Cabine di Regia on SD already active at sub-national level as well as the recognition of the "Tavoli di confronto" (i.e. Tavolo Regioni e Province Autonome; Tavolo Città Metropolitane) [see 2.2]; the Ministerial Focal Units for NSDS/PCSD [see 2.1.3]; the strengthening of the civil society and non-state actors involvement, by recognising the National Forum for Sustainable Development, in its relation with the CNCS, as the permanent dialogue platform for the NSDS and the PCSD NAP implementation, monitoring, evaluation, reporting and revision processes [see 2.5].	- In 2022, CITE approves with an ad hoc Delibera the NSDS 2022 and establishes an integrated multilevel and multi-stakeholder policy-making mechanism. - From 2022, the Conferenza Nazionale per lo sviluppo sostenibile takes place once a year. - Within one year from Delibera CITE approval, the first annual call for proposal to implement up to 3 multi-dimensional, multi-actors and multi-level sustainability actions is launched. - Following the Delibera CITE approving the NSDS, its implementation, monitoring, evaluation, reporting and revision processes includes the tools [1.2] envisaged in the PCSD Action Plan. - Without modifications to Art. 34 co 3 Dlgs 152/2006, the Parliament's involvement in the NSDS is strengthened.
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development **Ob. 2 - 2.4** **Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability** **Ob. 4 - 4.3** **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** **Ob. 1 - 1.2**	**Action 1.1.2** – Make the Conferenza Nazionale per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile an annual meeting to be organised by the National Forum for Sustainable Development and the MiTE, aimed at sensitising all levels of government around the contribution of civil society and non-state actors to the NSDS and the PCSD Action Plan implementation, monitoring and revision processes [see 2.3.3].	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development **Ob. 1 - 1.1**	**Action 1.1.3** – The NSDS contains the PCSD National Action Plan and includes it in its implementation, monitoring, evaluation, reporting and triennial revision processes.	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development **Ob. 6 - 6.2**	**Action 1.1.4** – The NSDS Annual Report (Relazione sullo stato d'attuazione della SNSvS) includes the monitoring of the implementation of the PCSD National Action Plan [see 3.3]. The Report is submitted to CITE for deliberation.	
	Action 1.1.5 – Without modifications to Art. 34 co 3 Dlgs 152/2006 and before addressing CITE, MiTE makes the Annual NSDS Report available to the Parliament, in particular to the Comitato Parlamentare permanente per l'attuazione dell'Agenda 2030 per lo Sviluppo Sostenibile (SD Parliamentary Committee), the Budget Committee and the Environment Committee.	

Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 4 - 4.3 Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development Ob. 3 - 3.2	**Action 1.1.6** – An annual call for proposal is issued by the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group [see 2.1.1] to identify up to 3 multi-dimensional, multi-actors and multi-level actions implementing one or more NSDS's strategic objectives with a high transformational path potential, domestically and/or internationally. Proposals will be evaluated for their application of a policy coherence approach to sustainable development objectives. Budget is set aside in the budget law. All line ministries, regions, metropolitan areas, provinces, municipalities and the National Forum for Sustainable Development are invited to respond to the call.	

Relevance for the OECD PCSD Recommendation:

Pillar I: Develop a strategic vision for achieving the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in an integrated and coherent manner

Principle I.3: Improving policy integration to incorporate sustainable policy into policy and finance and across policy domains

Expected result 1.2: Shared mechanisms and evaluation tools (from now onwards: coherence tools) are provided to screen policies against their integration and compatibility with NSDS objectives

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.1 Ob. 3 - 3.2 Ob. 4 - 4.1	**Action 1.2.1** – Within a dedicated process, build Coherence Matrixes (one Coherence Matrix for each Strategic Choice), as living documents to enable the linking of each NSDS' Strategic Choices (SC) – and objectives/targets/indicators therein - to objectives/targets/indicators, including where available, context and performance, referenced in other national and territorial sectoral measures, including those of the PNRR, as well as in operational programmes (OP) of ESIF. Such an approach aims at promoting a holistic vision of the systemic contributions of policy and other regulatory measures to the NSDS. Already existing examples of such matrixes include: the matrix linking the measures of the PNRR to the Policy Objectives of the NSDS and SDGs (the Power Bi platform https://www.mite.gov.it/sites/default/files/archivio/allegati/sviluppo_soste nibile/documento_consultazione_interattiva_PowerBI.pdf); the matrix linking the policy objectives of the EU Cohesion policy (ESIF) with the strategic objectives of the NSDS (DPCoe/NUVAP matrix); the matrix linking regional policies to the Country Specific Recommendations CSR, with the objectives of the ESIF and the NSDS (Tecnostruttura/Conferenza delle Regioni). *How to build them* **Sub action 1.2.1.1** – The "NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group" [see 2.1.2] is activated to design the template of the Coherence Matrixes and to define the guidance for compiling this tool. The Coherence Matrix will contribute to: i. increasing interoperability across monitoring frameworks currently used for a SC: the Matrixes provide a snapshot of the indicators used in a given SC (environmental, socio and economic outcomes). The most frequent effects that are associated to policies in this area will be tracked in the Sustainability Dashboard. ii. visualising positive and negative contributions to the achievement of the NSDS by existing policies and other regulatory measures; iii. identifying potential interlinkages among the existing policies and other regulatory measures inventoried in terms of trade-offs or synergies. iv. verifying the impact of the policy on the SDGs targets indicated in the area Partnership of the NSDS in order to identify its international spillovers and transboundary effects particularly on developing countries.	- After the approval of the NSDS by CITE, a process is launched and the templates for the coherence tools are developed. - Ministries and sub-national governments are involved on a voluntary basis and with an incremental approach. - Within one year from the approval of the NSDS by CITE, PCSD Labs are activated. - One year after the approval of the NSDS by CITE, a stock-taking report is compiled within the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy integration Group, facilitated by MiTE and presented to CITE and to the Forum, to assess and take stock of the use of the Coherence Matrixes, Coherence Fiches as well as the functioning of the Labs (coherence tools). Information will be also part of the Annual report on the Status of the Implementation of the NSDS [3.3]. - Within the next NSDS revision cycle a decision is taken by CITE on making the coherence tools systemic for new policies/regulations. - Capacity building and training packages are activated for Coherence Matrixes and Coherence Fiches. In the long-term: - Line Ministries and governments at territorial level are aware of the contributions of their policies and other regulations to the NSDS through the Coherence Matrixes. - Line Ministries and government at territorial level use the Coherence Matrix tool as strategic framework for policy making and the Coherence Fiches as the basis for collecting information to contribute to other regulative impact assessments (DNSH, RIA, VAS, etc.) as well as in the implementation phase. - Coherence Matrixes, Coherence Fiches and Labs have contributed to: • address PCSD internal and external

	Sub action 1.2.1.2 – Within each Line Ministry, the "Ministerial Focal Unit for NSDS and PCSD" [see 2.1.3] is activated to provide information to the Coherence Matrix(es) of the SC(s) relevant for its area. **Sub action 1.2.1.3** – The first compilation, and following updates, of all ministerial contributions will be done in the context of the ad-hoc NSDS/PCSD Labs for each SC [see 1.2.3 and Sub action 1.2.3.1]. **Sub action 1.2.1.4** – Capacities to build and use the Coherence Matrixes will be strengthened across ministries and territorial levels through trainings packages [see also 1.2.2.4] [see 1.3].	dimension • link the proposed annual budgetary measures to the NSDS • assess public investments against the NSDS contributing to the CIPESS Delibera 79/2020 and to Direttiva Draghi on Sustainable Development • contribute to producing relevant information for the DNSH requirement • establish cross-cutting policies and other regulatory measures, targets and objectives, overcoming a silos approach. - Within the PCSD Labs continuous assessment of the interoperability of monitoring and evaluation frameworks supporting a quantifiable estimation of synergies and trade-offs in that area.
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.1 Ob. 3 - 3.2 Ob. 4 - 4.1, 4.3	**Action 1.2.2** – Within a dedicated process, the ministry or competent authority elaborating new policies and other regulatory measure proposals, including public investments also relating to the PNRR, prepares the coherence fiches (Coherence Fiche(s)) to identify the contribution of the new act to the NSDS, identifying synergies/trade-offs across existing sectorial actions as well as transboundary effects and devising possible mitigation strategies. The Coherence Fiche can contribute to the devising of a Sustainability Impact Assessment (RIA) in Italy, along the lines of Better Regulation EU Toolbox. **Sub action 1.2.2.1** – The "NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group" [see 2.1.2] is activated to design the template of the Coherence Fiche(s) and to define the guidance for its use, also using as reference practices implemented by other EU Member states. **Sub Action 1.2.2.2** – Compilation of the Coherence Fiche(s) will contribute to: - show the relevance of the proposal in relation to the NSDS Strategic Choices - and objectives/targets/indicators therein - show the relevance of the proposal relative to the ESW. This information, along with relevance for the NSDS, could be also used for ESW budget tagging - use the information collected in the Coherence Fiche(s), to contribute to existing assessment processes such as DNSH, AIR/VIR, EIA/Strategic Environment Assessment (SEA/VAS), CIPESS investment assessments and other budgetary assessment as gender impact assessments (GIA)- take into consideration the comments to the proposals formulated by civil society through participatory mechanisms within and/or outside the PCSD PAN implementation process - balance potential trade-off and synergies, spillover effects and transboundary impacts among new sectoral policies or regulatory measures and existing ones, and sketch potential mitigation strategies or cross-sectoral actions - facilitate interoperability of monitoring and evaluation frameworks in a same policy area. **Sub action 1.2.2.3** – The compiled Coherence Fiche(s) is an assessment tool that accompanies the policy or other regulatory measure proposal along the decision-making cycle. **Sub action 1.2.2.4** – The NSDS/PCSD Labs [see 2.1.4] verify the content of the Coherence Fiches, and based on the results, the Labs call and facilitate collaborative inter-ministerial moments, aiming at the design of cross-cutting policies and mitigation strategies [see 1.2.3.2]. **Sub action 1.2.2.5** – Capacities to build and use the Coherence Fiche(s) will be strengthened across ministries and territorial levels through trainings packages [see 1.3].	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable	**Action 1.2.3** – The NSDS/PCSD Labs are activated by MiTE, in collaboration with NSDS/PCSD implementation and Assessment Group, involving experts and the Focal Units for their expertise on a Strategic	Within one year from the approval of the NSDS by CITE, PCSD Labs are activated related to the Coherence matrixes and

| development
Ob. 1 - 1.1
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Ob. 4 - 4.1 | choice. Labs will also ensure appropriate interactions with the National Forum for Sustainable Development and the territories.

Sub action 1.2.3.1 – As per the Coherence Matrixes, the NSDS/PCSD Labs are activated to systematise and continuously update such tool [see 1.2.1], with the contribution of Ministerial Focal Units for NSDS/PCSD and territorial Cabine di Regia for SD.

Sub action 1.2.3.2 – As per the Coherence Fiche(s), the NSDS/PCSD Labs are activated to verify the information provided therein, when developing new policy and other regulatory measures [see 1.2.2]:
- If overlaps/trade-offs/spillovers and potential synergies have been adequately addressed in the Coherence Fiche(s), no further work will be done in the Labs.
- When the results of the Coherence Fiche(s) highlight interlinkages among policies, the objective of the Labs is to facilitate ad hoc inter-ministerial dialogues aiming at collaborative design of cross-cutting policies and mitigation strategies. Labs should not duplicate the work of existing responsible inter-ministerial bodies but could represent a contribution to them.
- If within the Labs, are identified trade-offs that are difficult to reconcile and require political arbitration, they are brought to the attention of the Council of Ministries through a submission of an advice formulated by the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Integration Group [see 2.1.2] to CITE.
- If within the Labs are identified transboundary effects, should they intersect the Italian three-year Programming and Policy Planning Document (PPPD) for the International Development Co-operation, they are brought to the attention of the CICS to reconcile these policies at political level, in accordance with art. 15 co.1 of 125/2014.
- Each identified incoherence might not be directly resolved but will need to be exemplified and approached through complementary proposed actions and closely monitored within a strengthened dialogue (i.e. the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group, CNCS, National Forum for Sustainable Development). | Coherence Fiches
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OECD PCSD Recommendation

Pillar II: Develop effective and inclusive institutional mechanisms to address policy interactions across sectors and align actions among levels of government

Principle II.4: Ensuring whole-of-government co-ordination to identify and mitigate divergences between sectoral priorities and policies, including external and domestic policies, and promote mutually supporting actions across sectors and institutions

Expected result 1.3: Strengthen public service's capacities at all levels to use the NSDS as tool for policy formulation and assessment

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 3 - 3.2 **Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 2 - 2.1**	**Action 1.3.1** – NSDS and PCSD training programmes and modules are created and delivered through a collaboration with the School of Public Administration (SNA) activated by MiTE and the DFP (Dipartimento della Funzione Pubblica within the PCM) and also in collaboration with the capacity building office of the DARA (Dipartimento per gli Affari Regionali e le Autonomie within the PCM) in charge of public service training at territorial level. The training programmes are addressed to civil servants within public administration at all levels, with particular regard to the Ministerial Focal Units for NSDS/PCSD [2.1.3] and the territorial Cabine di Regia for SD [2.1.3]. Through the involvement of the Ministry of University and research (MUR), the training programmes and modules could tap into PhD students on relevant subjects (i.e. statistics, environmental science, economics, etc.) to contribute to designing and delivering the trainings. Capacity building programmes and modules can include: - Developing and using the coherence tools: Coherence Matrix(s), Coherence Fiche(s), the Sustainability Dashboard. - Design multi-stakeholders and integrated strategies formulation methods. - Foresight methods including building future scenarios, promoting future generation perspectives and designing participatory foresight processes. - Methodologies to analyse and address complex challenges. - Dissemination of Behavioural Public Administration (BPA) practices across Italian departments applying the principles and tools of behavioural sciences.	- Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022, NSDS and PCSD training programmes are activated and public officers at all levels will be trained. - Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022 the trained officers are able to mainstream NSDS and PCSD into their respective administrations.
	Action 1.3.2 – Assess and recommend avenues to increase the compatibility between the current public service performance management (KPIs) and sustainable objectives and indicators for Vettori/Enablers in the NSDS.	

OECD PCSD Recommendation:

Pillar II: Develop a strategic vision for achieving the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in an integrated and coherent manner

Principle II.3: Improving Policy Integration to better incorporate sustainable development into policy and finance and across policy domains

Expected result 1.4: Analysis of the measures of the Budget Law against NSDS goals and selected indicators, to accompany and inform the Budgetary process

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.4	**Action 1.4.1** – Start a process of co-ordination leading to the definition of a Law proposal that identifies and funds appropriate institutional structures within the Administrations to carry out the analysis of the Budget Law in terms of contribution to the NSDS, contributing to the mechanisms and tools identified in 1.2 in continuity and synergy with the mechanisms established in 1.1, and taking into account mechanisms supporting the use of ESW indicators in policy making and budgeting.	- Add the budgetary dimension to the policy coherence fiches. - Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022, measures included in the budget law are tracked for their contribution to the NSDS, building on the information and knowledge developed thanks to the mechanisms and tools [1. 2].
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.4	**Action 1.4.2** – Building on Regions' experiences and based on the work done by the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group as well as by the Implementation and Assessment Group and based on the above coherence tools (notably the Coherence Matrixes, Coherence Fiches, Labs), the competent structures keep track of budget expenditures against the NSDS. This work feeds into the annual fiscal and financial documents as foreseen by the law (approved as a consequence of Action 1.4.1) which sets up the framework necessary for effective NSDS budget tagging at the level of central government.	- Jointly identify a law proposal to set up a mechanism that carries out the analysis of the Budget Law in terms of its contribution to the NSDS objectives, also building on the correlations identified with ESW. - The EU semester reporting draws on the indicators and targets highlighted in the coherence matrixes and the results on NSDS described in the annual report.
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.4	**Action 1.4.3** – The NSDS Annual Report contributes to the implementation the ASGS 2022's indication to integrate the SDGs in the European Semester by providing information, both at national and sub-national level, on the contribution to the EUROSTAT SDGs monitoring Report, based on the information captured by the mechanisms 1.2.	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.4	**Action 1.4.4** – Continue collaborating with regions, metropolitan areas and territories to track budget expenditures against the NSDS and the 2030 Agenda.	

OECD PCSD Recommendation:
Pillar I: Develop a strategic vision for achieving the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs in an integrated and coherent manner
Principle I.2: Defining, implementing and communicating a strategic long-term vision that supports policy coherence and orients the government and stakeholders towards common sustainable development goals
Expected result 1.5: Regularly conduct foresight activities when drafting or updating planning tools

| **Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development** Ob. 3 - 3.2 Ob. 6 - 6.2 | **Action 1.5.1** – Use the three-year revision process of the NSDS as an opportunity to test whether systemic changes are occurring, which challenge the assumptions underlying the NSDS effort. The verification of the strategic objectives, targets and indicators according to the foresight analysis is activated by the MiTE within the revision process, with the support of relevant foresight structures at central and territorial level. Foresight activities will include international spillovers and transboundary impacts and collaboration will be sought with the National Forum for Sustainable Development, including CNCS and MAECI when addressing the Partnership Area. | - The triannual revision of the NSDS includes foresight analysis and potentially reviews targets and objectives accordingly
- For the purpose of the 2025 triannual revision process, select one theme and experiment international foresight methodologies as well as results from public (Climate proofing of infrastructures assessments, European Commission, "2020 Strategic Foresight Report: charting the course towards a more resilient Europe" and CSOs studies (CMCC, Futura Insitute, etc.). |

Institutional mechanisms

OECD PCSD Recommendation
Pillar II: Develop effective and inclusive institutional mechanisms to address policy interactions across sectors and align actions among levels of government
Principle II.4: Ensuring whole-of-government co-ordination to identify and mitigate divergences between sectoral priorities and policies, including external and domestic policies, and promote mutually supporting actions across sectors and institutions
Expected result 2.1: Rationalise central institutional mechanisms for policy integration and in charge of aligning and mainstreaming NSDS and PCSD into the decision making

| **Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development** Ob. 2 - 2.1

Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.1 | **Action 2.1.1** – A **NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy integration Group** is established by CiTE Delibera on the NSDS 2022 [see 1.1.1] for driving and steering the use of the PCSD NAP tools and the overall implementation of the NSDS as a collective effort. The Group will participate to the elaboration of the NSDS Annual Report (Relazione sullo stato d'attuazione della SNSvS) [see 3.3].
The Group is composed by MiTE, relevant PCM Departments (such as DIPE – DPCoe/NUVAP – DPE – DARA), MAECI, MEF (as per CIPE Delibera 108/2017), the Conference of the Regions, (Art. 34 Dlgs 152/2006), and the Ministerial Focal Units on NSDS and PCSD [see 2.1.3]. The Group will liaise with the already existing "MiTE-Tavoli di Confronto" (Regioni, Province Autonome e Città Metropolitane) to continue the dialogue with the territorial level on the NSDS and PCSD implementation (Art. 34 co.4 Dlgs 156/2006). The Group will also liaise with the National Forum for Sustainable Development. | Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022, the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group is established and is operative. |
| **Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development** Ob. 1 - 2.1 Ob. 3 - 3.1

Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.1 | **Action 2.1.2** – A **NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group** is established by CiTE Delibera on the NSDS 2022 [see 1.1.1]. The Group will ensure the design of the templates of the policy coherence tools and the guidance for their use [see 1.2.1 and 1.2.2.] and will define a pool of context and performance sustainability indicators [action 3.2.1] in the context of the Sustainability Dashboard [see 3.2]. Moreover, the Group will contribute to the elaboration of the NSDS Annual Report (Relazione sullo stato d'attuazione della SNSvS) [see 3.3]. The Group will also dialogue with the National Forum for Sustainable Development and with the already existing "MiTE - Tavoli di confronto" (Regioni, Province Autonome e Città Metropolitane).
This Group is composed by MiTE, MEF including Ragioneria dello Stato, DIPE (NUVV), DPCoe (NUVAP and Rete dei Nuclei at regional level), and SiSTAN (ISTAT+ISPRA). | Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022, the NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group is established and is operative. |

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development
Ob. 2 - 2.1
Ob. 4 - 4.1
 	
Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development
Ob. 2 - 2.1
	<u>**Action 2.1.3**</u> – Line ministries identify and confirm the competent "Ministerial Focal Units for NSDS/PCSD"
	The Units are involved in:
	- Externally
	  • Participate to the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group [see 2.1.1].
	  • Contribute to the Sustainability Dashboard [see 3.2] by providing data.
	  • Gather the information for the preparation and regular updates of the Coherence Matrixes by systematising their own ministerial strategies under each relevant Strategic Choice [see 1.2.1].
	  • Preparing Coherence Fiche(s) when developing a new policy and other regulatory measure proposals [see 1.2.2].
	  • Participate to the NSDS/PCSD Labs [see 1.2.3].
	- Internally, they may consider:
	  • Involving and consulting the relevant departments within their entities when preparing the Coherence Matrixes and the Coherence Fiche(s).
	  • Promote the use of the Sustainability Dashboard [see 3.2].
	  • Collaborate with the respective ministerial evaluation unit (Nucleo di Valutazione).
		Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022, a Ministerial Focal Unit for NSDS/PCSD is identified in each Line Ministry and participates to the activities as highlighted in this PAN.

OECD PCSD Recommendation

Pillar II: Develop effective and inclusive institutional mechanisms to address policy interactions across sectors and align actions among levels of government

Principle II.5: Engaging appropriately sub-national levels of government in areas where they have a role in policy co-ordination to promote co-ordinated actions and enhance coherence across levels of governments for sustainable development

Expected result 2.2: Reinforce the NSDS governance and measurement at sub-national level

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.2 Ob. 2 - 2.2 Ob. 3 - 3.1 Ob. 4 - 4.1 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 2 - 2.2	<u>**Action 2.2.1**</u> – The territorial Cabine di Regia for SD (Steering committees) already established at metropolitan and regional level for the formulation and implementation of the Regional and Metropolitan SDS, will encourage actions for policy coherence on sustainable development and will be in charge of verifying regional/metropolitan policies' contributions to the NSDS and the PCSD NAP. The territorial Cabine di Regia for SD could investigate the coherence of the respective territorial strategies with the decentralised co-operation strategies, building on the national efforts in this context. The territorial Cabine di Regia for SD are invited to strengthen the use of territorial coherence matrixes, where existing, and to consider preparing the Coherence Fiche(s) when developing a new policy and other regulatory measure proposals [see 1.2.2]. To ensure the link between the central and sub national level, with reference to the coherence tools, the territorial Cabine di Regia for SD will be invited to participate to Labs [see 1.2.3] whenever relevant.	- Through the Delibera CITE, territorial Cabine di Regia for SD are recognised and further supporting mechanisms are activated as a follow up. - MiTE-Tavoli di confronto are upgraded into a permanent mechanism of dialogue and collaboration with the Conferenza of Regions is strengthened. - MiTE continues supporting the territories through bilateral agreements and fostering dedicated initiatives - Sub-national governments produce information on the contribution to the NSDS also in the context of the Sustainability Dashboard (vertical co-ordination of core indicators) and use it for local decision making.
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.2, Ob. 2 - 2.2 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 2 - 2.2	<u>**Action 2.2.2**</u> – Upgrade the existing "MiTE - Tavoli di confronto" (collaborative round-tables) involving Regions, Autonomous Provinces and Metropolitan Cities working on NSDS ex art. 34 co. of Dlgs 152/2006, into a permanent mechanism of dialogue, strengthening the collaboration with the Conference of Regions and opening to other national territorial associations. The Tavoli will be useful in order to provide a platform to share criticalities and find common solutions when taking the NSDS as reference framework for the formulation and implementation of the Regional, Metropolitan and local SDS, including exchanges on the formulation of the Coherence Fiches and the compilation of data for the Sustainability Dashboard [3.2] Equally they could contribute in discussing also the implementation of other national-local strategies that contribute to sustainability.	

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.2 Ob. 2 - 2.3 **Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability** Ob. 2 - 2.1 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 2 - 2.3	**Action 2.2.3** – Strengthen partnership between MiTE and sub-national governments through existing and renewed bilateral agreements to enable the implementation of the Regional, Metropolitan and local SDS, and continue mainstreaming policy coherence as approach to policy and decision-making including through training programmes and modules [see 1.3].
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.3 Ob. 5 - 5.3	**Action 2.2.4** – Support the co-operation among the territorial Cabine di Regia for SD, the Regional Evaluation Units and the DPCoe/Rete Nuclei Territoriali to facilitate the monitoring of the context, performance and process indicators linked to the territorial SDS [see 3.1, 3.2]. In this context of strengthened co-operation, enable their contribution to the Sustainability Dashboard and promote its use for local decision-making and impact assessment processes.

OECD PCSD Recommendation

Pillar II: Develop Effective and inclusive institutional and governance mechanisms to address policy interactions across sectors and levels of government

Principle II.4: Ensuring whole-of-government co-ordination to identify and mitigate divergences between sectoral priorities and policies, including external and domestic policies, and promote mutually supporting actions across sectors and institutions

Expected result 2.3: Strengthen integration and coherence between the internal and external dimension of the 2030 Agenda implementation process as a contribution to the NSDS and to the periodic reviews at European and international level, including the HLPF VNR and the OECD DAC Peer Reviews

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.3 Ob. 2 - 2.1 Ob. 4 - 4.2	**Action 2.3.1** – Building on the measures contained in Law 125/2014 and in Art. 34 of Dlgs 152/2006, contribute to reinforce synergies among tools and mechanisms for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda at national and international level by including in the template of the Coherence Matrix(es) [1.2.1] and Coherence Fiche(s) [1.2.2] indicators on the external dimension of domestic policies. Mainstream such information provided in the Coherence Matrix(es) and the Coherent Fiche(s) into all phases of sectorial decision making.	- Use Matrix (es) [1.2.1] and Fiche(s) [1.2.2.] to factor in international spill overs within the domestic decision-making process. - Integrate in the annual NSDS report a session dedicated to the integration between the internal and external dimension. - A PCSD session of the National Conference on Development Co-operation is established with the aim of providing an opportunity for relevant stakeholders to present recommendations.
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.1 Ob. 4 - 4.2 Ob. 6 - 6.2	**Action 2.3.2** – Include in the Report on the implementation of the NSDS (Relazione sullo stato d'attuazione della SNSvSs) [see 3.3] also progresses on strengthening the coherence between the internal and external implementation of the 2030 Agenda, taking into consideration, inter alia, the Partnership area connecting to the Italian three-year Programming and Policy Planning Document (PPPD), foresee by Art.12 comma 2 (Law 125/2014).	

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.1 Ob. 4 - 4.2 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 1 - 1.1 Ob. 1 - 1.2	<u>**Action 2.3.3**</u> – Ensure a stable dialogue throughout the PCSD NAP implementation process on the integration between internal and external dimensions, with the National Forum for Sustainable Development, in its relationship with the CNCS, aimed at providing recommendations on the state of implementation of the Plan, also in view of contributing to the National Conference on Development Cooperation. Such recommendations represent an input to the National Conference for Sustainable Development as well as to the work of the Permanent Parliamentarian Committee on the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development.	

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<u>**Pillar II:**</u> Develop effective and inclusive institutional mechanisms to address policy interactions across sectors and align actions among levels of government

<u>**Principle II.6:**</u> Engaging stakeholders effectively to sustain broader support for PCSD and its implementation

<u>**Expected result 2.4:**</u> Develop training and educational partnerships for sustainable development		
Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 1 - 1.1, 1.2 Ob. 2 - 2.3 Ob. 3 - 3.2	<u>**Action 2.4.1**</u> – Develop Educational Pacts – also through the collaboration between the Ministry of Education (MI), the Ministry of University and Research (MUR) and MiTE as well as with educational establishments (i.e. universities, ITS academies, professional learning centres, primary and secondary schools etc.) to ensure that teachers and University professors are trained on sustainability issues and cross-cutting approaches as part of their life-long training programmes (crediti formative/open badge).	
Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 2 - 2.2 Ob. 3 - 3.1	<u>**Action 2.4.2**</u> – Support learning environments that bring together private, civil society and public professionals (i.e. professional categories continuous learning courses – corsi di aggiornamento obbligatori per ordini professionali) for promoting innovative partnerships.	

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<u>**Expected result 2.5:**</u> Strengthen integration across stakeholder platforms in the implementation and monitoring of the NSDS		
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.4 Ob. 6 - 6.1 **Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability** Ob. 4 - 4.3 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 1 - 1.1, 1.2, 1.3	<u>**Action 2.5.1**</u> – Enable the National Forum for Sustainable Development and its relationship with the CNCS, to be the permanent platform for institutional dialogue on the NSDS and the PCSD PAN and facilitate its involvement in the NSDS/PCSD Labs, NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group and NSDS Implementation and Assessment Group, including by engaging the Forum in the development of the policy coherence tools, the NSDS Annual report and the Sustainability Dashboard.	- The National Forum for Sustainable Development is engaged at different phases of the implementation and revision processes of the NSDS and of the PCSD NAP. The Annual NSDS Report will include the specifics of such engagement. - Additional participation and engagement tools are devised - MiTE facilitates appropriate synergies between the National Forum for Sustainable Development and the relevant commitments under the 5th OGP PAN.

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.3 Ob. 2 - 2.4 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 1 - 1.2, 1.3	<u>**Action 2.5.2**</u> – Enhance the capacity of the National Forum for Sustainable Development's members to activate key visible pilots for policy coherence within and across borders.	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 2 - 2.4 Ob. 6 - 6.1 **Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development** Ob. 1 - 1.2, 1.3 Ob. 3 - 3.1	<u>**Action 2.5.3**</u> – Explore and foster the complementarities and synergies among the National Forum for Sustainable Development, the CNCS, the SD territorial Fora and other national fora, particularly in view of: i) enhancing tools for participation and engagement process at national and sub-national level on the NSDS and PCSD; ii) allow for effective collaboration in advocating for key sustainability and development co-operation issues; and iii) develop indicators for engagement in the implementation and monitoring of the NSDS and PCSD.	
Vector 3 - Participation for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.1, 1.3	<u>**Action 2.5.4**</u> – Work within the Open Government Partnership lead by DFP to contribute to enhancing tools for participation.	

Policy Financing and Impacts

OECD PCSD Recommendation: <u>**Pillar III:**</u> Develop a set of responsive and adaptive tools to anticipate, assess and address domestic, transboundary and long-term impacts of policies to advance SDGs <u>**Principle III.7:**</u> Analysing and assessing policy and financing impacts to inform decision making, increase positive impacts and avoid potential negative impacts on the sustainable development prospects of other countries, in particular on developing countries		
<u>**Expected Result 3.1:**</u> Establish a sustainability dashboard - context, performance and process indicators- associated to the NSDS		
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 5 - 5.1, 5.3	<u>**Action 3.1.1**</u> – Work on a sustainability dashboard of indicators (Sustainability Dashboard). The NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group [2.1.2] proposes a set of sustainability indicators to feed the Sustainability Dashboard that cuts across the Italian policy formulation and evaluation system and contains context indicators related to the NSDS and identifies performance indicators related to the effects on sustainability of programmes and plans. The Sustainability Dashboard also contains PCSD process indicators [see 3.2.]. The choice of the indicators will take into account the ones emerging from the Coherence Matrixes [1.2.1], the ones considered for monitoring of the PNRR, including the DNSH if relevant, the CIPESS indicators for assessing public investments against the NSDS; the ones resulting from the ESW mapping process lead by MEF as well as based on ESIF/cohesion matrix alignment exercise.	- Within the implementation process of the NSDS 2022, context, performance and process indicators are identified and are included in the Sustainability Dashboard. - The Sustainability Dashboard contributes to other evaluation exercises such as the monitoring of the PNRR and ESIF. - Data produced from the Dashboard are used in government's dissemination campaigns on implementation of SDGs within the NSDS.

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 5 - 5.1, 5.3	**Action 3.1.2** – With the view to fill the Sustainability Dashboard, the NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group [2.1.2] will reach out to the Ministerial Focal Units for NSDS/PCSD and the territorial Cabine di Regia for SD and activates a process of data collection. The Group will also devise modalities for the involvement of the National Forum for Sustainable Development.	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 5 - 5.1, 5.3 Ob. 6 - 6.1	**Action 3.1.3** – The data included in the Sustainability Dashboard are exploited to prepare the Coherence Fiches and to inform the decision-making process as well as provide inputs to the work of the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group [2.1.1]. It could also be used by public administrations to improve evidence-based public communication within their respective mandates.	

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Pillar III: Develop a set of responsive and adaptive tools to anticipate, assess and address domestic, transboundary and long-term impacts of policies to advance SDGs

Principle III.8: Strengthening monitoring, reporting and evaluation systems to collect qualitative and quantitative evidence on the impact of policies and financing, and report progress on PCSD

Expected result 3.2: Include a monitoring framework on the implementation of the PCSD National Action Plan within the NSDS "Vettori di sostenibilità" (PCSD process indicators)

Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 5 - 5.2 Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 4 - 4.2	**Action 3.2.1** - MiTE is responsible for developing the process indicators - qualitative and quantitative indicators- for the monitoring of the PCSD NAP in collaboration with OECD. The indicators will strive for tracking the impact of PCSD NAP in decision-making cycles. The indicators will keep into account the complementary package of OECD and UNEP variables for indicator 17.14.1. This set of indicators will be monitored in the Sustainability Dashboard [see 3.2] The indicators are developed in dialogue with established mechanisms [2.1.1; 2.1.2], involving regions, autonomous provinces and metropolitan cities as well as the National Forum for Sustainable Development.	- The PCSD indicators are part of the NSDS set of indicators. - A report on the implementation of the PCSD NAP is submitted, as part of the annual monitoring of the implementation of the NSDS. - Information provided are used and included in the Annual NSDS Report.
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 5 - 5.2	**Action 3.2.2** – the Ministerial Focal Unit for NSDS and PCSD across line ministries and the territorial Cabine di Regia for SD of regions/metropolitan areas collect information on the implementation of the PCSD Action Plan for the purpose of 3.2.1.	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 5 - 5.2 Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 4 - 4.1, 4.2	**Action 3.2.3** – The report on the implementation of the PCSD NAP, compiled by the MiTE with the support of the "NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group" [2.1.2] is embedded in the NSDS implementation report ("Relazione sullo stato di attuazione SNSvS") [1.1.3 and 3.3], as part of the Vettori area of the NSDS. The report includes also indicators on Vettore 2 – "Cultura per la sostenibilità" and Vettore 3 "Partecipazione per lo sviluppo sostenibile". Relating to PCSD NAP the report includes also monitoring changes in governmental process and settings, including progress on Foresight and Behavioural Public Administration (BPA), with the focus on process indicators, at national and territorial level, including feedbacks from the National Forum for Sustainable Development.	
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development Ob. 1 - 1.3 Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability Ob. 2 - 2.1 Ob. 4 - 4.1	**Action 3.2.4** – International meetings are used to promote regular learning experiences, involving peers from other EU member states, OECD and UN Parties, to share and discuss the results of the PCSD National Action Plan implementation and monitoring framework.	

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Expected result 3.3: The report on the implementation of the NSDS (Relazione sullo stato d'attuazione della SNSVs) is produced annually as a compilation of whole of society and government efforts to implement the NSDS, including the PCSD National Action Plan implementation.		
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development **Ob. 1 - 1.3** **Ob. 6 - 6.2** **Vector 2 - Culture for sustainability** **Ob. 4 - 4.2**	**Action 3.3.1** – Within the NSDS/PCSD Alignment and Policy Integration Group, with the support of the NSDS/PCSD Implementation and Assessment Group, and taking into consideration the positions of the National Forum for Sustainable Development, MiTE activates the elaboration of the Annual Report on the Status of the Implementation of the NSDS [see 1.1.3]. Sections could focus inter alia on the following: - Report on the implementation of the PCSD Action Plan [see Action 3.1.3]. - Report on progress on localising SDGs through the NSDS and the PCSD actions plan. - Report on progress on stakeholder engagement, at national and territorial level, with the National Forum for Sustainable development and the regional/metropolitan Fora including CSOs reporting on Pilot actions for policy coherence for sustainable development. - Analysis of spillovers and transboundary effects of national policies. - Analysis of trade-offs across policy sectors: a chapter of the report focuses on one or two Strategic Objectives of the NSDS and discuss the inter-linkages and trade-offs as emerged in the policy coherence fiches and matrixes produced during the year. - The status of the integration of the NSDS into the economic programming, also in the context of the European Semester [1.4]. - Progress on the Sustainability Dashboard indicators.	- An ad hoc working group on the Annual Report on the implementation of the NSDS is set up. -The contributors to the sections and data sources are identified by Mid 2023. - Every year the report is made available to the Parliament and submitted to CITE for deliberation [See 1.1].
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Expected result 3.4: The National Court of Audits (Corte dei conti) has integrated the NSDS into their audit report		
Vector 1 - Policy coherence for sustainable development **Ob. 1 - 1.4**	**Action 3.4.1** – The Court of Audit would be invited to participate to the Implementation and Assessment Group [2.2.2] as well as the Labs as necessary and would have at its disposal the Coherence Matrixes as well as the Coherence Fiches to improve their annual Report (that reclassifies budget expenditures by SDGs) and improve traceability of ministerial efforts to the SDGs through NSDS, also contributing to the 1.4.	- The contribution of the budget programme to NSDS is assessed in the Court of Auditors Annual report.