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- 1. Special Event on the achievement of MDGs
- 2. HLPF
- 3. Facilitation mechanism to promote the development, transfer and dissemination of clean and environmentally sound technology

• ECOSOC Reform

Convention on Climate Change

Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals

Paragraph 248. "We resolve to establish an inclusive and transparent intergovernmental process on sustainable development goals that is open to all stakeholders, with a view to developing global sustainable development goals to be agreed by the General Assembly. An open working group shall be constituted no later than at the opening of the sixtyseventh session of the Assembly and shall comprise thirty representatives, nominated by Member States from the five United Nations regional groups, with the aim of achieving fair, equitable and balanced geographical representation. At the outset, this open working group will decide on its methods of work, including developing modalities to ensure the full involvement of relevant stakeholders and expertise from civil society, the scientific community and the United Nations system in its work, in order to provide a diversity of perspectives and experience. It will submit a report, to the Assembly at its sixty-eighth session, containing a proposal for sustainable development goals for consideration and appropriate action."

Decision 67/555 of 22 January 2013

First Session

(14-15 March 2013)

Second Session

(17-19 April 2013)

Third Session

(22-24 May 2013)

Fourth Session

(17-19 June 2013)

Fifth Session

(25-27 November 2013)

Seventh Session

(6-10 January 2014)

Eight Session (3-7 February 2014)

March - July 2014: Meeting timeframe

3 - 7 March

31 march - 4 April

5 - 9 June

2 - 6 June

14 - 18 July

Mandate: To submit a report, to the Assembly at its sixty-eighth session, containing a proposal for sustainable development goals (SDGs)

Deadline: Sixty-eighth session of the General Assembly

Note: It is important to distinguish among: Development Agenda (global and universal), Developments Goals, and Targets.

Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing

Paragraph 255: "We agree to 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. The process will assess financing needs, consider the effectiveness, consistency and synergies of existing instruments and frameworks and evaluate additional initiatives, with a view to preparing a report proposing options on an effective sustainable development financing strategy to facilitate the mobilization of resources and their effective use in achieving sustainable development objectives".

Paragraph 256: "An intergovernmental committee, comprising thirty experts nominated by regional groups, with equitable geographical representation, will implement this process, concluding its work by 2014".

Decision A/67/L.70 of 18 June 2013

Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing - Modalities of work (28 August 2013)

9. The Committee will seek coordination with other relevant inter-governmental processes, in particular the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals and the Financing for Development follow-up process.

First Session

(28 August - 30 August 2013)

Second Session

(2 December - 6 December 2013)

Third Session

(3 March – 7 March 2014)

Fourth Session

(12 May – 16 May 2014)

Fifth Session

(4 August - 8 August 2014)

Mandate: To assess financing needs, consider the effectiveness, consistency and synergies of existing instruments and frameworks and evaluate additional initiatives, with a view to preparing a report proposing options on an effective sustainable development financing strategy to facilitate the mobilization of resources and their effective use in achieving sustainable development objectives.

Deadline: Report by 2014. Outcome document of the Special Event on MDGs, September 2013, para 21:" We urge that these processes complete their work in a comprehensive, balanced and expeditious manner by September 2014".

Resolution 68/204 Follow-up to the International Conference on Financing for Development

- **42.** Stresses in this regard the need to reinforce coherence and coordination and to avoid duplication of efforts with regard to the financing for development process, with a view to ensuring a single, comprehensive, holistic, forward-looking approach addressing the three dimensions of sustainable development;
- 43. Decides to convene, in 2015 or 2016, a third international conference on financing for development to assess the progress made in the implementation of the Monterrey Consensus and the Doha Declaration on Financing for Development, to reinvigorate and strengthen the financing for development follow-up process, to identify obstacles and constraints encountered in the achievement of the goals and objectives agreed therein, as well as actions and initiatives to overcome these constraints, and to address new and emerging issues, including in the context of the recent multilateral efforts to promote international development cooperation, and taking into account the current evolving development cooperation landscape, the interrelationship of all sources of development finance, the synergies between financing objectives across the three dimensions of sustainable development, as well as the need to support the United Nations development agenda beyond 2015;
- **44.** Requests the President of the General Assembly to convene, as soon as possible, inclusive and transparent intergovernmental consultations, with the participation of the major institutional stakeholders involved in the financing for development process, as appropriate, on all issues related to the conference, including the date, format, organization and scope, taking into account the elements contained in the present resolution, and requests the Financing for Development Office of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs of the Secretariat to provide secretariat support for the consultations;

- 1. Coherence and coordination/avoid duplication/ ensure single approach to SD
- 2. Convene a third international conference on FfD to assess progress made on Monterrey/Doha and to address new and emerging issues.
- 3. Consultations to convene the third conference Facilitators

Outcome document of the special event to follow up efforts made towards achieving the Millennium Development Goals

25 September 2013 Post-2015 development agenda

- **19**. ...This coherent approach involves working towards a <u>single framework and set of goals, universal in nature and applicable to all countries</u>,
- **20.** We decide today to launch a process of intergovernmental negotiations at the beginning of the sixty-ninth session of the General Assembly, which will lead to the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda.
- 21. We acknowledge with appreciation the processes mandated in the outcome document of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development that are now under way, in particular the Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals and the Intergovernmental Committee of Experts on Sustainable Development Financing, as well as the process to develop options for a technology facilitation mechanism. We urge that these processes complete their work in a comprehensive, balanced and expeditious manner by September 2014.
- **22**. The report submitted by the Secretary-General in advance of today's meeting, which draws on inputs from the High-level Panel of Eminent Persons, United Nations Development Group consultations, the United Nations Global Compact and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network, is a useful input to our deliberations.

- 1. Single framework and set of goals
- 2. Launch a process of intergovernmental negotiations at the 69th GA which lead to the "adoption of the post-2015 development agenda".
- 3. Distinction between the intergovernmental processes and others
- 4. Summit at the level of Head of States, in September 2015

26. The final phase of the intergovernmental work will culminate in a summit at the level of Heads of State and Government in September 2015 for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda. We request the President of the General Assembly to convene, in a timely manner, intergovernmental consultations to achieve agreement on organizational modalities for the summit.

High Level Political Forum

Paragraph 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. The high-level political forum shall follow up on the implementation of sustainable development and should avoid overlap with existing structures, bodies and entities in a cost-effective manner".

Resolution 67/290 of 9 July 2013

Inaugurated, 24 September 2013

Mandate: To follow up on the implementation of sustainable development. See also paragraph 85 on some functions that the HLPF "could" do. **Note**: According to resolution 67/290, the HLPF has a hybrid nature, as it is convene by the ECOSOC and by the General Assembly.