

Private Sector Statement made during the 4th IAEG-SDG Meeting

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I speak on behalf of the International Fertilizer Association and the Global Business Alliance for 2030.

The Global Business Alliance for 2030 represents business in the SDG process and encourages all businesses to incorporate the SDGs in their operations. Business is central to the implementation of the SDGs and it is important that we participate in the process to determine the indicators that will measure the success of the SDGs

It is important that indicators are relevant to the task and we value the work of the IAEG-SDGs. We have some practical suggestions to move the process forward in an efficient, transparent way

It would be useful to ensure that we make the most of the time available at the next meeting of the IAEG – for example by arranging of the custodian agencies to run consultations or sessions in parallel during one half day to allow for more in-depth discussion and exchange, (rather than just reporting)

It would be useful to understand what the key elements of the report to the Statistics Commission will be – if not at this meeting, then in a timely fashion, with an opportunity for stakeholders to contribute.

Will the proposed February meeting with agencies to discuss the goals that will be covered in the 2017 HLPF report be open to stakeholders?

Greater clarity on what happens to the indicators currently without methodology or custodian agency. The business sector expresses its willingness to contribute to this process using its considerable resources and expertise in data collection and analysis.