Preparing evidence-based Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs): best practices and experiences

Side Event of the 53rd session of the UN Statistical Commission

January 2022
1. Integration of the SDGs into policymaking mechanisms

2. Using data for the VNR

3. Additional evidence based documents: Statistical Briefs
Integration of the SDGs into policymaking mechanisms
INFORMACIÓN PARA TODOS

SDGs implementation
Legal framework in Colombia

High Level SDG´s Commision
President: DNP

1. National Planning Department (DNP -DSEPP)
2. Ministry of Finance
3. Ministry of Foreign Affairs
4. Social Prosperity Department
5. Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
6. Presidency Department
7. National Statistics Department

Technical committee
✓ Members: ministries
✓ DANE
✓ Technical Secretariat: DNP- DSEPP
✓ Invited guests

Technical Secretariat
DNP- DSEPP

Partnership
✓ Civil society organizations
✓ Private sector
✓ Academy
✓ International Organizations
✓ Media

POLICY DOCUMENTS

Long Term: CONPES 3918
• National SDG Indicators Framework
• A set of global indicators prioritized

Mid/short Term:
• National Development Plan 2015-2018
• National Development Plan 2019-2022
Public policy tool: Document CONPES 3918

Strategy for the Implementation of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Colombia

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<td>National Development Plan</td>
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Non-governmental stakeholder engagement

- Multi-stakeholder approach
SDGs data reporting protocol

Developed to establish guidelines for the national SDG indicators reporting to ensure the timeliness and quality of information for decision making to advance the 2030 Agenda.

**Responsibilities**
- Consolidation, validation, and uploading national SDG information: DANE and DNP
- **Reporting:** 21 national entities

**Time period**
- Send the requirement: February
- Reporting deadline: 30th of April (information, methodological update)

**Guidelines**
- Information update and validation process
- Characteristic information to be reported (total and disaggregation data)
- Form of data collection: DANE's app or SDMX
National Indicators Reporting Process

- Request for the update of National SDG indicators - February 15th.
- Update of final data for National SDG indicators - Deadline March 31st.
- Consolidation and review of progress information. Identification of changes in baseline and series of data and indicators pending reporting – April 15th.
- Technical discussion between DNP and DANE for review and reporting status.
- New communication to the entities for which changes, errors in the data, or lack of information were identified, and request to send or expand information – April 30th.

National SDGs Platform upload – April 30th
Using data for the VNR
Voluntary National Reviews presented by Colombia

Use of information and national good practices to monitor implementation progress
2021 VNR: Accelerating the implementation for a sustainable recovery

1. Information and inputs preparation stage
- Validate the structure: SDG Commission
- First draft of main message
- Government Sectors review
- Prepare mechanism to involve other actors
  - Workshops, live transmissions,
  - on-line web ODS
- Consolidate inputs from different actors
- List of good practices SDG and recovery routez

2. Main message

3. Final Draft

4. Socialization

5. HLPF 2021 New York

National Event of VNR presentation
- 3th of May
- 11 of June
- 12 of July

✓ Consolidate inputs
✓ Final version VNR and resume
✓ Prepare the country presentation video

2021 VNR: Accelerating the implementation for a sustainable recovery
**VNR Consultation Process**

Colombia’s third Voluntary National Report (VNR) has been prepared in a multi-stakeholder process led by the SDG Technical Secretariat (DNP).

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<td>• Development of multi-stakeholder workshops to learn about the initiatives that other sectors were developing in favor of the 2030 Agenda.</td>
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<td>• VNR outline proposal</td>
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<td>• Holding biweekly meetings of the SDG Technical Committee to follow up and make decisions on the VNR 2021 (8 meetings were held).</td>
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Statistical Brief
**Statistical Brief Series**

**Objective:**
- Encourage analysis and decision making based on available data on topics considered to be of public interest.
- A contribution of the notes is to gather, in a single document, information from different statistical operations of DANE to report on a single selected topic.
- Includes data from the experimental statistics
- Specialized quantitative analyses on 2030 Agenda issues with an emphasis to leave no one behind. Ex:
  - Poverty and gender analysis – SDG1
  - Cross Cutting approach of Human Rights in 2030 Agenda.
  - Mental Health – SDG3
  - Climate Change – SDG15

**Stakeholders involved:**
- Developed by DANE together with government entities, agencies of the United Nations system and Civil Society.

Thank you!

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