





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

**Structural Reform Support Programme** 

## 3<sup>rd</sup> 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

Link

https://meetoecd1.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJclc-ytqzoiHtRHZqCUeMu2iS0bouL6Wf0B

**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.

### 9.00 – Welcoming Remarks

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

Oliviero Montanaro, Director General DG CRESS, MITE

#### 9.05

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

- Welcome remarks and presentation of the set of 43 indicators to monitor the NSDS: updating process and interactions at territorial level.

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**:

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

Questions from the floor with OECD moderation.

Wrap up. Rapporteur, Mara Cossu (MiTE)

Break (5 min)		
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Two subsequent Sessions in the form of WGs, facilitated by the OECD.

#### 10.20

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







- University Project: mapping the links between the objectives of the NSDS and the missions included in the National Recovery and Resilience Plan (PNRR).
  - **MiTE Mara Cossu (Division II DG CReSS)**
- Lessons learned from introducing the BES in the budget cycle: how have BES indicators influenced policy formulation and spending? How will be the interactions with the NRRP?

  MoF/MEF Susan Battles (Division VII DG Economic and Financial Analysis)

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 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 Ronveaux (MiTE).

Break (5min)	

#### 11.25

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 Italian Governance Scan
  - **OECD-** Anna Piccinni (Public Governance Directorate)
- Towards a set of sustainable development indicators to orient CIPESS' investment decisions
  - DIPE Maria Elena Camarda (Nucleo di Valutazione e Verifica degli Investimenti Pubblici NUUV)
- 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 (MiTE)







# Break (5min)

## 12.30

# Conclusions and next steps

Reporting on the key take-away from the Sessions by Rapporteurs *Questions from the floor with OECD moderation.*Wrap up MiTE /OECD.