

Roadmap for Developing a Global Strategy on SDG12 and Sustainable Consumption and Production

4th virtual workshop of the Group of Friends for SCP

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Summary report

The 4th virtual workshop of the Group of Friends for SCP was held on 11 October 2021, at the initiative of Argentina (Chair of the 10YFP Board and Group of Friends for SCP) with the support of the 10YFP Secretariat.

The workshop was opened by Mr. Rodrigo Rodriguez Tornquist of Argentina, Chair of the 10YFP Board and Group of Friends for SCP, Secretary of Climate Change, Sustainable Development and Innovation, Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development of Argentina, who chaired the discussions throughout the workshop.

The objectives of the workshop were as follows:

- Provide an update on progress, with a focus on the status of the extension of the 10YFP mandate.
- Present and seek guidance on a proposed Roadmap for the development of a Global Strategy on SDG12 and Sustainable Consumption and Production, including vision, objectives, and key milestones in the process.
- Provide an update, invite recommendations and seek support on engagement opportunities in 2022, including a High-level Side Event at UNEA 5.2, and a major contribution at Stockholm +50 as well as other platforms.

The expected outcomes of the workshop were as follows:

- Members of the GoF are encouraged to continue to show their support for the extension of the 10YFP mandate, including through their UN Missions to New York.
- Achieve a common understanding of the Roadmap process and next steps for the Global Strategy.
- Garner support for upcoming high-level engagements at UNEA 5.2 and at Stockholm+50, especially in relation to the Strategy development process.

The 10YFP Secretariat shared presentations under each Agenda item.

The Chair of the meeting closed the meeting with summary remarks and highlighted next steps.

All presentations of the meeting are available at:

https://www.oneplanetnetwork.org/sites/default/files/gofs_workshop_4_ppt_compressed.pdf.



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1. Introduction and update on the extension of the 10YFP mandate

Mr. Rodrigo Rodriguez Tornquist opened the workshop by thanking all participants and the Group of Friends for their continued engagement to strengthen cooperation for sustainable consumption and production now and beyond 2022, which have led to increasing momentum in support of the “post-2022 process” on SCP and the 10YFP. He called on the continued efforts of the Group, especially in conjunction with missions to New York, to ensure that SCP remains a global priority.

After a brief introduction to the Agenda for the virtual meeting, the Chair handed the floor to Mr. Jorge Laguna-Celis, Head of the 10YFP Secretariat to welcome the Group of Friends. Mr. Laguna-Celis also introduced the newest team member of the 10YFP Secretariat, Ms. Hala Razian, Programme Management Officer, who will be supporting the work of the Board and the Group of Friends moving forward.

In his update on the extension of the 10YFP mandate, Mr. Laguna-Celis referred to the Ministerial Declaration of the 2021 High-Level Political Forum, which recognized the work of the 10YFP and made a call to intensify efforts by 2022 and beyond to scale up its implementation. Further, he highlighted how the report of the Secretary General underscores that the lessons learned and accomplishments of the 10YFP necessitate the formation of a broader and more inclusive strategy to scale up and accelerate action for the shift to SCP.

The proposed development of a new Global Strategy for SDG 12 and SCP supports these calls.

With the support of member States to the extension of the 10YFP mandate, the GA is currently discussing a resolution put forward by the G77 to officially extend the mandate, without budgetary implications, up to December 2030, in line with and to ensure the indivisibility of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. To deliver on this extended mandate and its ambitions, resource mobilization will be key.

Finally, the meeting was reminded that the formation of the Board for the 2021 - 2023 term is ongoing. Interested countries were invited to express their intent as soon as possible. The Group of Friends is open to any country, whether on the Board of the 10YFP or not.

In conclusion, the members of the Group of Friends expressed an unequivocal support for the extension of the mandate of the 10YFP in the context of the 2030 Agenda and commitment to work with their Permanent Missions in New York to ensure the successful extension.

2. PROPOSED ROADMAP FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR SDG 12 AND SCP

The members of the Group of Friends and key partners of the One Planet network have highlighted the need to go beyond the current status quo for the post-2022 implementation of the 10YFP, and have called for an ambitious global, inclusive and high-impact strategy on SCP to accelerate the effective delivery of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and specifically SDG12 by 2030.

Based on discussions at the previous Group of Friends workshops, the 10YFP Secretariat presented a Roadmap for the Development of this Global Strategy for SCP. The following paragraphs summarize the presentation by the Secretariat and the key discussion points.

It is proposed that the Strategy should have the following key functions:

- Strategically connect different issues, illustrating how SCP can provide conceptual and technical assistance/support to the implementation of MEAs (especially on climate, biodiversity and pollution) and at the same time address economic development needs and social inequalities.
- Both raise awareness and facilitate implementation by bringing different approaches and analyses together (systems approach, circular economy, value chain analysis and engagement).
- Increase collaboration between the diverse global programmes, initiatives and alliances delivering on SDG12 and SCP, and bring in new active change agents, including from the private sector
- Make sure that all plans and actions are based on the best-in-class science, that is relevant to the various scales of implementation.
- Speed up the implementation of SDG12 and SCP at national level, especially by leveraging the UN Development Reform.
- And identify the best tools and actions that support the implementation of commitments.

Funding is key, and the vision is to have a strategy which is bankable and mobilizes resources. The strategy will not be detailed with a specific budget, but it will have indications of how to mobilize resources for SDG 12 and SCP.

To deliver such an ambitious Strategy and outcomes, the Strategy will be developed according to a set of key criteria to ensure its legitimacy and acceptability at all levels:

- Being inclusive in the design and delivery of the Strategy through joint leadership, within and beyond the One Planet network.
- Making use of best-in-class science, expertise and countries' needs, to identify strategic and actionable priorities.
- Connect the strategy to global sustainable development commitments and MEAs through the internationally agreed targets, and bearing in mind the outcomes of ongoing processes (e.g. Food Summit, UNFCCC...).
- That the Strategy should strive for action outcomes, including concrete and measurable commitments and the available resources to support implementation.
- Be engaging, in a practical way of UN systems at the national level, and of the empowered networks of national focal points, including those of the 10YFP, MEAs and other relevant frameworks to support implementation.
- And finally that the Strategy should build on the Monitoring and Reporting Framework of the 10YFP, and seek to include any innovative indicators (e.g. consumption-based) as well as indicators to measure normative, institutional, and cultural change.

The Strategy will be developed in four phases:

- The first phase (Nov 2020 - Sept 2021) is largely completed and has focused on the extension of the 10YFP mandate. Moving forward, strong linkages to the Decade for Action on the SDGs, as well as serving a strong interlocutor role between different initiatives, will be important roles for the 10YFP.
- The second Scoping Phase (Oct 2021 - Feb 2022) will be informed by inputs already received by the Secretariat from the Board, Group of Friends, relevant scientific sources,

the National Focal Point Survey on Post-2022 and regional briefings with National Focal Points including across climate change, biodiversity and pollution sectors, and the mid-term evaluation of the 10YFP. The process will strive to ensure regional and national representation. External actors, including for example, the private sector, will also be engaged. Consultations will be held thematically, reflecting 10YFP Programmes but also allowing for flexibility to adapt the framework based on emerging priorities and needs. The aim will be to systematically link the Strategy to ongoing priorities of other MEAs. The result of which will be an outcome document prepared by the 10YFP Secretariat to inform Strategy development. The UNEA 5.2 meeting will be informed of the development of the Strategy within the context of the extension of the 10YFP mandate.

- The 10YFP Secretariat will take the lead in drafting the Strategy, in consultation with the Board, GoF and other initiatives as appropriate, in the third Development and Approval Phase (March - June 2022). It is expected that once there is a consensus emerging from the Scoping Phase on what needs to be delivered through the Strategy, the best operational modalities of delivery can be identified. It is expected that the 10YFP Board will approve the Strategy by June 2022, under the same authority and modality as the approval of the current 2018 - 2022 Strategy (One Plan for One Planet¹). The board will then present the strategy to ECOSOC (HLPF), after which it will go to the GA where we hope that they take note of and welcome the approval of this strategy.
- The final Official Presentation and Outreach phase (July - September 2022) will leverage key international events (HLPF, Stockholm+50 and UNGA) to share the Strategy with the global community and mobilize action.

Next Steps:

- The Secretariat considers that the overall proposal on the Roadmap for the development of the Global Strategy on SDG 12 and SCP has been approved, and will proceed in its implementation.
- The Secretariat will incorporate the feedback to the proposal received at the meeting into a revised paper that will be circulated to the Group of Friends.
- The Secretariat will also share additional information on the phases of the Strategy development process, including a schedule of consultations and a list of initiatives to be involved in the development of the Strategy.

3. ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN 2022

The final session of the day focused on how to present the outcomes of the Global Strategy and the Post-2022 process to the international arena in 2022. The Secretariat presented some initial ideas, and guidance on how to strengthen the proposals, including through GoF participation; suggestions as to how to substantively contribute to Stockholm +50; and nominations or recommendations for engagement in both processes were sought.

The first proposal covered engagement at the UN Environment Assembly (UNEA 5.2) in 2022 where the 10YFP Secretariat is proposing the submission of a high-level side-event (Ministerial

¹ Available at: <https://www.oneplanetnetwork.org/resource/one-plan-one-planet>

level) in the context of UNEP@50 to celebrate the 10YFP as one of the key milestones in UNEP's history. The event will explore the main achievements of the 10YFP, build strong political support for implementation beyond 2022 and launch the development of the Global Strategy on SDG 12 and SCP. The meeting welcomed the proposal, with Finland especially expressing a desire to be involved.

The meeting was further reminded that a Ministerial Declaration on “Strengthening Actions for Nature to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals” is expected as an outcome of UNEA 5.2. The GoF were encouraged to put forward messages of support for an ambitious implementation of the 10YFP beyond 2022 in that document.

- A second key opportunity for engagement highlighted is the Stockholm+50 Conference, taking place back-to-back with UNEA 5.2, where the Secretariat proposed to aim at a major contribution especially to the ‘Leadership dialogue 3: Accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of sustainable development in the context of the decade of action and delivery for sustainable development’².

The desired outcome is the strong political support for an ambitious implementation of the 10YFP beyond 2022 – as a key instrument to achieve climate, biodiversity, and pollution objectives. Second, recognition of the global framework on SCP as a key part of UNEPs core mandate.

The meeting highlighted additional opportunities for engagement and outreach including the Financing for Development meetings, and the ‘Spring meetings’ of the world Bank and the IMF to reinforce the notion of SCP as an enabler, as well as meetings related to the Trade and Digitization agendas.

Next steps:

- Secretariat will share a draft of the side event proposal, including rethinking title, for UNEA 5.2 for those interested.
- Secretariat will explore outreach opportunities in the context of forthcoming meetings and conferences on finance, trade and digitization.

² [A/RES/75/326](#)