

**Monday, 20 April 2015** (13:15-14:30hrs) Next Steps for the Indicators Framework for the Post-2015 Agenda in Conference Room 6 in the UNHQ Conference Building

## **Key Issues Addressed:**

Director of the DESA Statistics Division Mr. Stefan Schweinfest

- Highlighted three main points that came out of the post-2015 intergovernmental negotiations on sustainable development goals and targets held 23-27 March:
  - UNSC was put in charge of developing the global indicator framework with the Inter-Agency Expert Group on Sustainable Development Goals. He emphasized this will be a technical process and not a political driven process.
  - o Emphasized we have more time to develop the global indicator framework.
  - o There was an emphasis on creating a limited number of global indicators for targets.
- Emphasized the UNSC is focused on creating an indicator set for global monitoring.
- However, there will be sectorial and regional monitoring, in particular national monitoring that will require indicators.
- The main mechanism to develop the global indicator framework is the IAEG SDGs which will advise over the next 15 years on the global indicator framework.
- The Chair of the UNSC has signed off on the revised Term of Reference (ToR) for the IAEG SDGs which will have a core set of countries based on geographic distribution.
- The selection of these core countries for the IAEG SDGs is still on-going but it will also include international agencies that collect data sets.
- UNSC will serve as the Secretariat for the IAEG SDGs which will have its first meeting 1-2 June 2015.
- The IAEG SDGs will be open to civil society, webcasted, and documentation for this meeting will be available, and there will be an official website.
- Underlined that the 27 core countries that will make up the IAEG SDGs will define their Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) which will include the mechanism for civil society engagement.
- Highlighted that one way for civil society to contribute their inputs is through the Google Doc NGLS has provided for stakeholder feedback on the indicators for the SDGs in the Post-2015 Development Agenda (<a href="http://bit.ly/1J3wBx3">http://bit.ly/1J3wBx3</a>). The deadline for inputs is 26 April 2015.
- NGLS will provide a synthesis report to the first meeting of the IAEG SDGs.
- Planning for there to be space for civil society interventions at the IAEG SDGs. However, Mr.
  Schweinfest emphasized that modalities for civil society interventions at the IAEG SDGs will be
  developed and approved by the core countries.
- The idea is to have 2-3 interventions from civil society at the IAEG SDGs.
- Underlined it will be up to civil society to organize themselves for collective statements/interventions.



• The next meeting with the Director of the DESA Statistics Division Mr. Stefan Schweinfest and civil society will be in second half of May 2015.