

# Stakeholder Forum

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The role of stakeholders in the creation of the Sustainable Development Goals

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#### Post-2015 and the SDGs

- STAKEHOLDER F O R U M
- The new development agenda must be an urgent priority for the international community.
  - Further integrate development and environment agendas
- Must <u>draw on learning</u> from the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and address multiple interlinked global challenges (e.g. climate change, resource scarcity, governance, equity and resilience).
- Central to the post-2015 development agenda will be new global goals; <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> (<u>SDGs</u>).
  - The aim of the SDGs is the <u>eradicate poverty through</u> sustainable development.

#### MDGs vs. SDGs



- Difference between the MDGs and the SDGs:
  - 1. Shift from economic growth to sustainable development as the answer to the poverty problem
  - 2. Greater focus on the root causes of poverty, e.g.:
    - Environmental degradation
    - Resource consumption
    - Inequalities
    - Poor or lack of governance and rule of law
  - MDGs applied to developing countries only, whereas the <u>SDGs are global in nature and universal in</u> <u>application</u>.
    - This means that the SDGs apply to both developing and developed countries alike

## **Design and Delivery**



- The challenge, therefore, is twofold:
  - 1. <u>Design of the SDGs</u> to produce a truly universal framework capable of eradicating poverty whilst delivering sustainability:
    - But what constitutes universality? And how universal must the framework be?
    - What is our vision of sustainable development? Planetary boundaries? Fairness and Equalities?
  - 2. <u>Delivery of the SDGs</u>, both in developing and developed countries alike.
    - Paradoxically, developing countries are better prepared to deliver due to their MDGs experience.
    - The task is to wake the sleeping dragon.

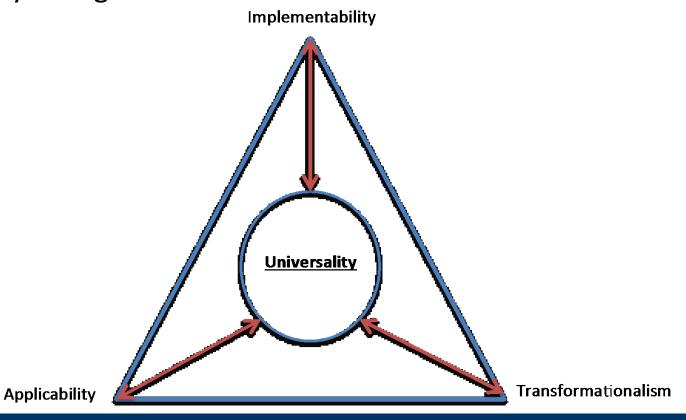
## The Roles of Stakeholders



<u>Stage</u>	<u>Role</u>
Design	Expert Input
	Raising Ambition
Delivery	Implementation
	Monitoring and Review
	Accountability

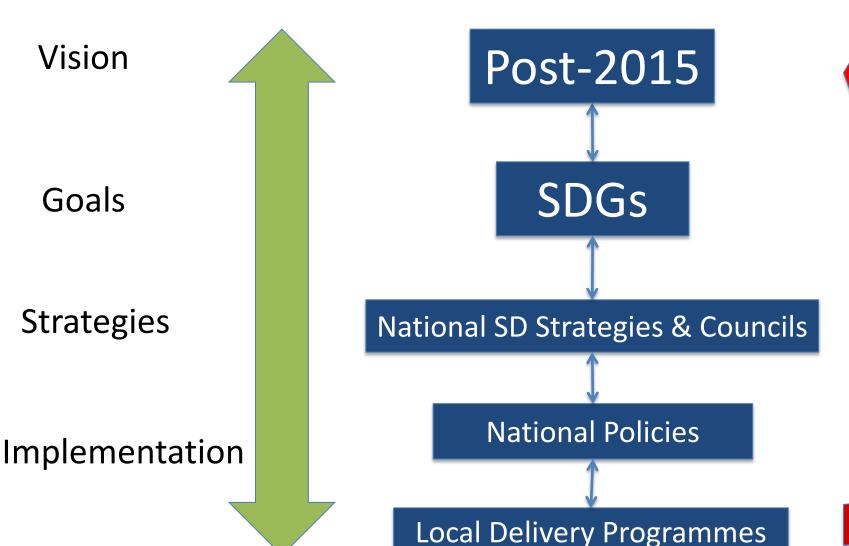
## The "Universality Triangle"

Understanding whether universality is truly achieved is a product of *applicability, implementability and transformationalism*; this applies both to the entire framework as well as to each individual goal. This "triple relationship of universality" is express in the "universality triangle" below:



## **Vertical Alignment**







### **SD2015**

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The programme provides **tools** and **opportunities** for all stakeholders to input to the post-2015 process and help shape the SDGs, through **five focus areas: raising awareness; increasing engagement; empowering stakeholders; coordinating advocacy; and strengthening governance.** 

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