

## Key recommendations

### Conflicts and actors:

- Citizens and civil society should be actors
- Bring in the citizens needs and creative ideas
- Look for a partnership with citizens and civil society
- Adequate information to citizens and options for participation
- Skip the October date and take a year for a broad national/regional debates on NRPs
- Formulate conclusions in the national parliaments
- Conflicts between different sectors can be expected

### Policy coordination:

- Creating of a coordinating commissioner for sustainability
- Improve/strengthen the “OMC” (*controversial*)
- Push forward the evaluation of the EU SDS and use the results for Europe 2020 (*controversial*)

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### Policy tools:

- Cohesion policy for next period needs very strong focus on SD policies
- Cohesion fund support for national targets
- “Warning mechanisms” should have policy “consequences”
- “Warning mechanisms” could be combined with the scoreboard, which should be based on EU SDIs
- Stronger links between NSDSs and NRPs (although keeping them separated)
- Flagship initiative “Resource efficient Europe” should have same attention as the others
- Institutional imbalance – need of environmental policy committee for Europe 2020

### Coordination with other strategies:

- Long term vision of what the EU should look like in 40 years (involving stakeholders and coordinated by the Council)
- “Thematic/Sectoral” strategies (including EU 2020) should be reviewed regularly to be in line with vision and emerging issues
- Financial perspectives should not only reflect EU 2020, but also link to vision based on SD
- Global SDS is needed + strong government mechanism(s) for its implementation