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The SDG Primer

Sustainable development and the SDGs



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The SDG Primer aims to establish a common base of understanding and approach for the United Nations(UN) system in supporting the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. It is meant to inform the programmes and actions of all UN entities, including their engagement with government and civil society partners.

Introduction

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development constitutes a paradigm shift. It requires understanding and articulating a narrative around the meaning and value of sustainable development, how the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) interrelate across various sectors, and what it will take to achieve them.

Fundamentally, achieving the SDGs requires the active involvement of all stakeholders: the United Nations system, national, regional, and local governments, the private sector, civil society, academia and people at large. Success depends on pursuing a whole-of-government and whole-of-society vision with an eye to meeting the high ambitions and challenges of the goals. The UN system should be prepared to assist UN Member States in all aspects of this endeavour.

Course contents

The SDG Primer comprises of the following:

- The SDG Primer Online Module (3-hours)
- Assessment Quiz

Participants will receive a certificate upon successful completion.

Target audience

All stakeholders interested in learning about the UN system's approach to supporting the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Cost of participation

This course is free of charge.