

Japan's efforts to mainstream the 2030 Agenda in national context

1. Active contribution to the discussion and negotiation of SDGs

- Japan actively contributed to the discussions through various dialogue opportunities even before the international society 's discussion became fully in progress.
 - ✓ Organized policy dialogue(2011-2013), side event at the UN General Assembly (In 2013, Prime Minister Abe and Minister of Foreign Affairs Kishida participated) etc.
- In the SDGs negotiation process, Japan actively contributed to the discussions under the concept of human security and incorporated development agendas that Japan attaches importance on. (Education, Women, Health, High Quality Infrastructure, DRR etc)



Prime minister Abe at the UN Summit which adopted the SDGs (September, 2015)

2. Establishment of the SDGs Promotion Headquarters

- At the United Nations Summit where SDGs were adopted, Prime Minister Abe expressed the intention to fully implement the SDGs.
- Established the SDGs Promotion Headquarter in May last year, headed by the Prime Minister Abe, to ensure a whole-of-government approach to implementing the 2030 Agenda in a comprehensive and effective manner and worked on the SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles.
- Established the Round Table Meeting where a wide range of stakeholders (government, NGOs / NPOs, experts, private sectors, international organizations, various organizations, etc.) gather and exchange opinions.

3. Major Processes till Now

2016

May 20

Established the SDGs Promotion Headquarters headed by the Prime Minister and composed of all ministers . At the first meeting, the PM directed the formulation of the "SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles".

Sep. 12

Held the 1st Round Table Meeting

Oct. 18

Decided the outline of the SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles

Oct. 19 – Nov. 1

Conducted public comment

Nov. 11

Held the 2nd Round Table Meeting

Dec. 22

Held the 2nd SDGs Promotion Headquarters Meeting. Approved "SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles"



Prime Minister Abe addressing at the 2nd SDGs Promotion Headquarters Meeting
(December 2016) (Cabinet Public Relations Office)

Overview of the SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles

【Eight Priority Areas and Concrete Policies】

People

① Empowerment of All People

■ Realization of Dynamic Engagement of All Citizens ■ Promotion of Women's Role in Society ■ Assistance to People with disabilities for Social Participation and Self-reliance ■ Promotion of Quality Education

② Achievement of Good Health and Longevity

■ Measures against Antimicrobial Resistance ■ Enhancing Developing Countries' Health Sector and Improving Their Public Health and Measures against Infectious Diseases ■ Tackling the Issues Associated with Aging Populations in Asia

③ Creating Growth Market , Revitalization of Rural Areas and Promoting Technological Innovation

■ Creating Markets with Potentials ■ Revitalizing Villages around Seas, Mountains, and Farmlands ■ Improving Productivity ■ Science and Technology Innovation ■ Sustainable City

Prosperity

④ Sustainable and Resilient Land Use, Promoting Quality Infrastructure

■ Creating Resilient Land and Promoting Disaster Risk Reduction ■ Water Resource Development and Measures on Water Circulation ■ Promoting Quality Infrastructure Investment

⑤ Energy Conservation, Renewable Energy, Climate Change Measures, and Sound Material-Cycle Society

■ Introduction and Promotion of Renewable Energy ■ Measures against Climate Change ■ Establishing Recycling-based Society

Planet

⑥ Conservation of Environment, including Biodiversity, Forests and Oceans

■ Measures against Environmental Pollution ■ Biodiversity Conservation ■ Sustainable Use of Forest, the Oceans, and Land Resources

Peace

⑦ Achievement Peaceful, Safe and Secure Societies

■ Tackling Organized Crime, Human Trafficking, and Child Abuse ■ Peacebuilding and Assistance for Reconstruction ■ Promotion of the Rule of Law

Partnership

⑧ Strengthening the Means and Frameworks of the Implementation of the SDGs

■ Multi-Stakeholder Partnership ■ Mainstreaming SDGs in International Cooperation ■ Assisting Developing Countries to implement SDGs

- Japan has set out 140 national and international policies initiated by relevant ministries with concrete indicators at the annex to the Implementation Guiding Principles .

Overview of the SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles

Vision

Become a leader toward a future where economic, social and environmental improvements are attained in an integrated, sustainable and resilient manner where “no one will be left behind.”

Implementation Principles

(1)Universality, (2)Inclusiveness, (3)Participatory, (4)Integration, (5)Transparency and Accountability

Systems to promote SDGs

- **SDGs Promotion Headquarters** : serve as a “control tower” to facilitate the overall coordination among the relevant ministries and agencies and implement related policies effectively.
- **Mainstreaming SDGs** :
 - ✓ Incorporate the SDGs into government’s plans, strategies and policies as much as possible.
 - ✓ As policy incentives, explore means to achieve necessary systemic reforms and endeavor to appropriately secure financial resources.
- **Partnering with relevant stakeholders** :
 - ✓ Build close partnership through the SDGs Round Table Meetings
 - ✓ Consider setting platforms to exchange views and partner with related stakeholders on₅ cross-sectorial issues.

Overview of the SDGs Implementation Guiding Principles (Cont' d)

Systems to promote SDGs

● **Communication :**

- ✓ Foster the sharing of good practices among implementing partners, including the private sector, by giving awards and promoting the use of SDG logos and branding.
- ✓ Promote Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) as well as encourage learning about SDGs in all settings, including schools, households, workplaces and local communities



Follow-up and Review

- First round of follow-up and review of the present Implementation Guiding Principles in 2019 and every four years afterwards.

Schedule Onward

December 2016 Launching the SDGs Guiding Principles

July 2017 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development

- ✓ Japan will present at the Voluntary National Review

September 2017 UN General Assembly

- ✓ Good opportunity to appeal on our efforts toward the SDGs by high-levels, including the establishment of the SDGs Promotion Headquarters headed by the Prime Minister.

2019 First round of follow-up and review of the present Implementation Guiding Principles

2019 HLPF to be convened by the President of the General Assembly