

Necessary Jargon

Agenda 2030: a UN General Assembly Resolution to achieve SD by 2030, aimed at ending poverty in all its forms, focusing on 5 critical dimensions (the 5Ps) and including the SDGs

SD: Sustainable Development, an integrated approach to "meet the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs" (Brundtland Commission, 1987).

The 5Ps: people, prosperity, planet, partnership and peace

SDGs: the 17 Sustainable Development Goals or Global Goals and SDG Targets: 169 targets on SDGs

Monitoring: following and reviewing the achievement of the SDGs at global level (HLPF), national level (VNRs), and sub-national level (VLRs)

Localization: SDG localization is the process of defining, implementing, and monitoring strategies at the local level to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

VNRs: Voluntary National Reviews are national reviews that are expected to serve as a basis for the regular reviews at the HLPF. 306 VNRs conducted* up to now (from 2016 to 2023)

VLRs: Voluntary Local Reviews are sub-national reviews by cities, local and regional governments to track and report on SDGs progress

² **EUVR**: European Union Voluntary Report (2023)

A recap: the SDGs







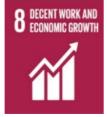








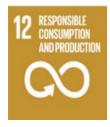
































The SDGs: a comprehensive strategy



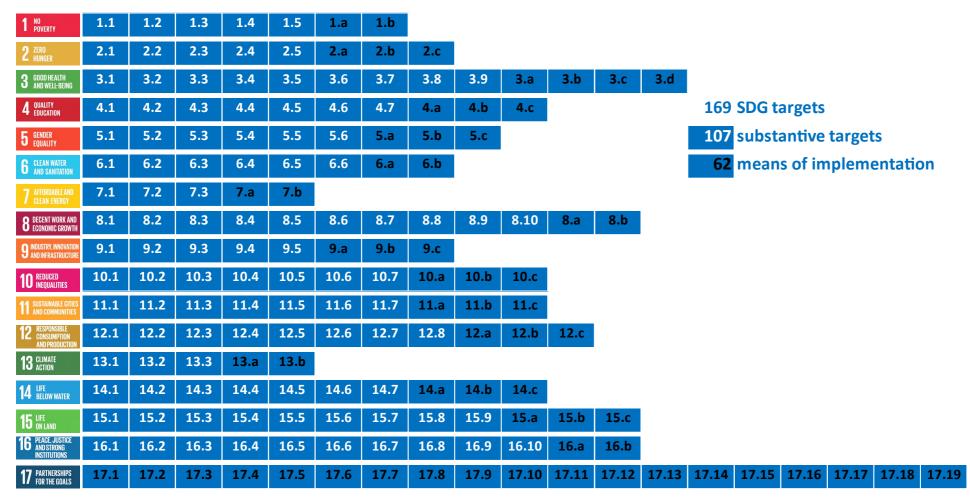


The SDGs: a pathway to achieve SD



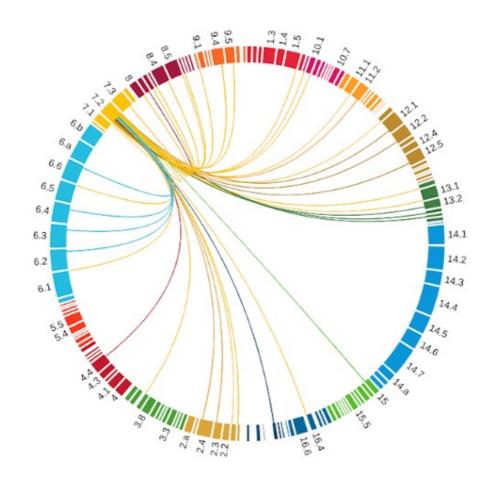


SDG monitoring: targets and indicators





Interlinkages: synergies and trade-offs





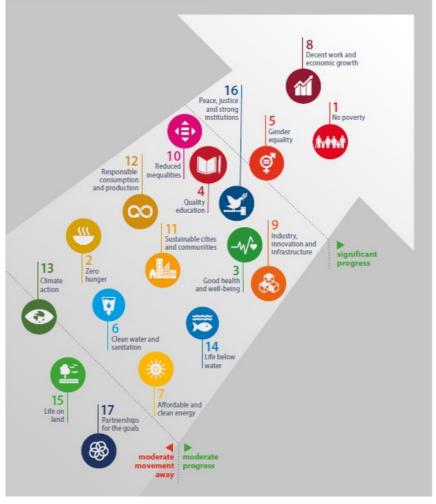
The European Commission Priorities



Source: Eurostat



EU Voluntary Review 2023





REGIONS2030 Stakeholders



EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT

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EUROPEAN COMMISSION

JRC
IMPLEMENTING PARTNER

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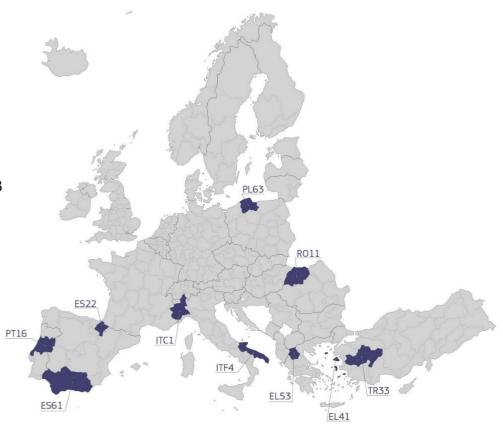
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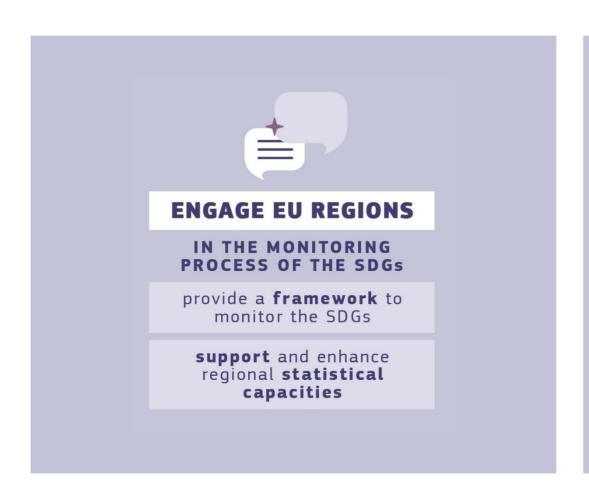
10 PILOT REGIONS

- Βόρειο Αιγαίο (North Aegean) EL41
- Δυτική Μακεδονία (Western Macedonia) EL53
- Comunidad Foral de Navarra ES22
- Andalucia ES61
- Piemonte ITC1
- Puglia ITF4
- Pomorskie PL63
- Centro (PT) PT16
- Nord-Vest RO11
- Manisa, Afyonkarahisar, Kütahya, Uşak TR33





Objectives







The preliminary indicator set

83) INDICATORS

TYPE OF INDICATORS

57 official indicators

26 experimental indicators

FREQUENCY OF UPDATE

48 annual

6 decade

1 triannual, per election cycle, monthly, daily

SOURCES

26 indicators from Eurostat, Regional Statistics

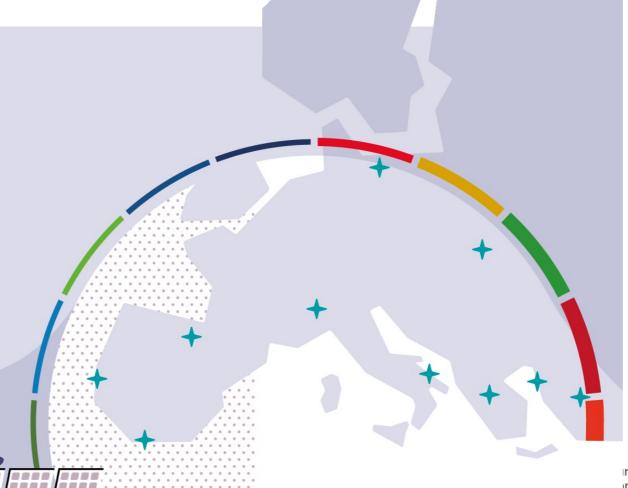
26 indicators from regional case studies and statistics offices (Spain, Belgium, Portugal, Sweden)

13 indicators from OECD

7 indicators from JRC

4 indicators from own elaboration by the regional government

1 indicator from DG REGIO

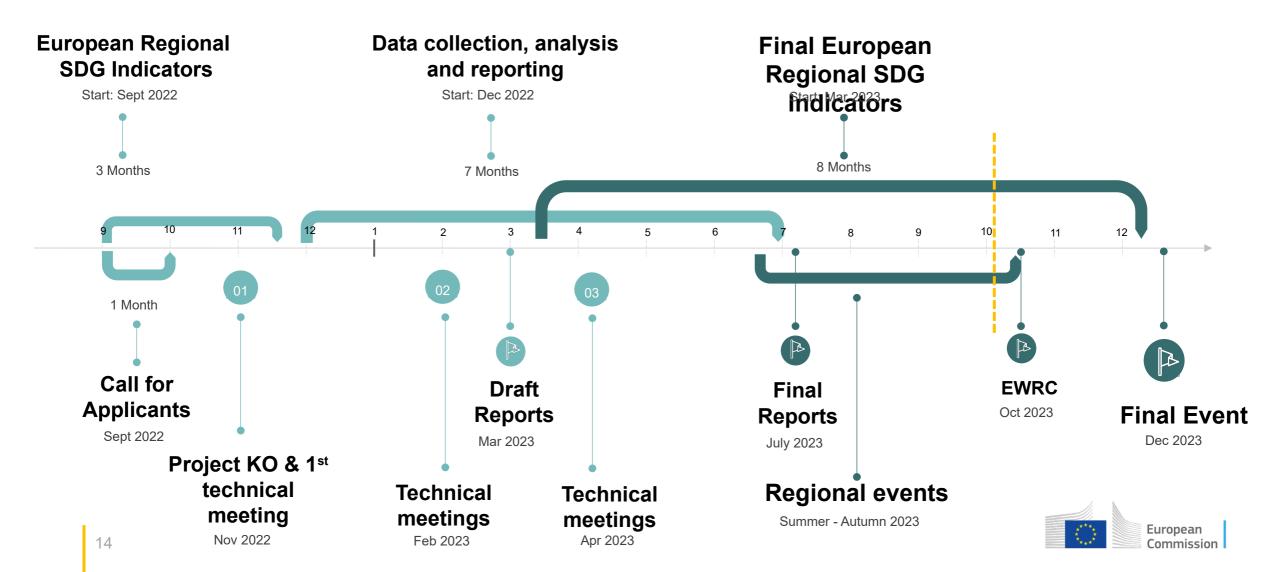


Expected* results

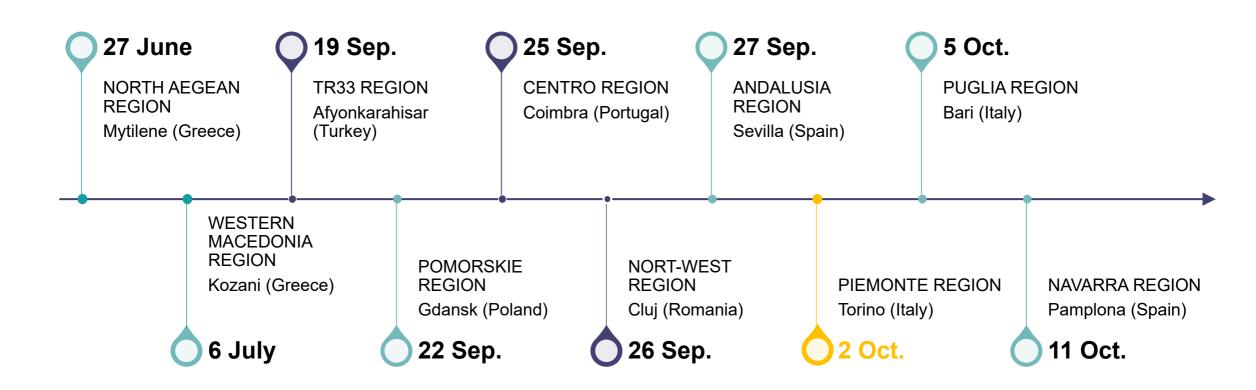
- A harmonised set of indicators for EU regions to monitor the achievement of the SDGs
 - The data collected, and consequently their evaluation, will be made available to national and EU authorities for the overall evaluation of the progress towards the achievement of the SDG
- Increased knowledge and capacity of EU regions on monitoring and reporting of the SDGs
- •Engagement of EU regions in a participative process of localising the SDGs
- Reinforcement of dialogue with EU partners on the localisation of SDGs



Implementation - Timeline



The regional events



STREAMING AVAILABLE



Project Outputs: Regional Reports









Some challenges...

- •**Technical** challenges: data not available at regional level, no historical series, old data, not disaggregated, not consistent/standardized, data accessibility,...
- Ability and capacity to understand the reasons behind the trends, the future challenges and interpret data;
- Some areas are not adequately considered in SDG framework. Treasure but not measure
- •Different levels of **decentralisation** and legal frameworks greatly influence the implementation of the SDGs. National governments have an important role in supporting and coordinating regions' efforts.
- •Difficulty in **prioritizing actions and resources** taking in considerations the different political priorities, economic challenges, stakeholders, data availability.
- •SDG **interlinkages** are perceived as very difficult to identify and quantify: synergies and trade-offs

...and recommendations

- Enhance coherence between regional plans/strategies and goals.
- Allow comparison of regional data with European, national and regional targets by 2030/50
- •(better) **connect monitoring and implementation**, in link with regional strategies and European policies
- Include impact indicators reflecting the effectiveness of regional initiatives for sustainable development
- •Collect, provide, and use disaggregated data for a comprehensive understanding of progress and to **identify disparities and inequalities**.



Save the date Upcoming REGIONS2030 events



9-13 October

EUROPEAN WEEK OF REGIONS AND CITIES

Brussels

In person

FINAL EVENT

Brussels (Committee od the Regions)

In person, web-streamed

Technical information to be shared after the summer



5 December



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