

## **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals**

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), officially known as 'Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development', are an intergovernmental set of inspirational goals with 169 targets. The goals are contained in Paragraph 54 of the United Nations Resolution A/RES/70/1, passed as of 25th September 2015.

The Resolution is a broader intergovernmental agreement that acts as a successor to the Millennium Development Goals, and builds upon the principles agreed upon under Resolution A/RES/66/288, or 'The Future We Want'.

The Sustainable Development Goals were created by the UN General Assembly's Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals, a proposal which contained 17 broad goals and 169 specific targets covering a broad range of sustainable development issues, from ending poverty and hunger, improving health and development, making cities more sustainable and environmentally friendly, and combating conflict and climate change.

On the 5th December 2014, the UN General Assembly accepted the Secretary General's Synthesis Report that stated the agenda for the post-2015 SDG, and the SDGs were officially integrated and consequently adopted into the UN Agenda.

The Intergovernmental Negotiations on the Post 2015 Development Agenda began in January 2015 and ended in August 2015, culminating in the SDG's adoption at the UN Sustainable Development Summit on September 25-27, 2015 in New York, USA.

The USFMEP is dedicated to aiding the achievement of the UN's SDGs, and to that end, has proposed several events to promulgate and support its agenda.

For more information on the Sustainable Development Goals, please click <u>here</u>.

For the full United Nations Resolution A/RES/70/1, click here.