

# EC Project on Enhanced capacity for measuring progress towards the Environmental Dimension of the SDGs (2020-2022)

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## Introductory information

➢ Period: 2020-2022

#### ➤ Coverage

- > Global
- ➢ Regional: Africa and Asia
- > National: Senegal, Uganda, Ghana, India, Kazakhstan, Jordan
- Funded by the European Union





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#### Background

Project on Enhanced capacity for measuring progress towards the Environmental Dimension of the SDGs - Phase I

- > UNEP is custodian for 25 SDG environment-related indicators
- Focused on the methodological development of SDG indicators
- SDG indicators were reclassified to Tier II or Tier I by March 2020
- Indicators reporting requires further dissemination and capacity development to improve data availability, quality and comparability
- Further capacity building is needed to equip member states with the necessary tools and knowledge to put in place the necessary data collection systems

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#### **Objectives**

- Strengthen national capacity for designing coherent and integrated policies for sustainable development, monitoring and reporting on the environmental dimension of the SDGs, through:
- 1. Enhancing capacity on environment statistics through training programmes
- 2. Ensuring dissemination and uptake of the global methodologies through targeted capacity development for key SDG indicators at the national level
- 3. Deepening UNEP's analysis of trends at the global and regional levels, including interlinkages between the various goals, targets and indicators
- 4. Special focus on SCP (SDG 12) and policy coherence (SDG 17) indicators



#### Outputs

Project Outputs are:

- Tools development and training for capacity building to measure, monitor and report on the environmental dimension of the SDGs delivered in the target countries
- 2. Multidisciplinary integrated analysis of progress towards Agenda 2030 is carried out and published



# Output 1 activities 2020-2021

Tools development and training for capacity building

- Environmental SDG Indicators Online Course:
  - > Available language: English
  - In progress: Russian
  - https://www.unitar.org/event/full-catalog/environmental-sdg-indicators
- Technical manuals
  - Global Chemicals and Waste Review Document, English
  - > Available languages: Russian and Arabic (Forthcoming)
- Regional workshops
  - 2 workshops in Africa
  - 2 workshops in Asia



## **Planned Activities 2022**

Output 1 Tools development and training for capacity building

National capacity building, in cooperation with UNEP regional offices, for:

- Senegal
- ➤ Uganda
- Ghana
- India
- ➤ Kazakhstan
- ➤ Jordan

Success stories in the 6 beneficiary countries



#### Output 2 activities 2020-2021

Integrated analysis of progress towards Agenda 2030



#### Launched on 22 May 2021

Purpose:

- Explores the potential and limitations of using a statistical correlation analysis between indicator pairs to improve the understanding of the interlinkages between SDG indicators.
- Informs on progress being made for environmentrelated SDG indicators



## Planned Activities 2022

Output 2 Integrated analysis of progress towards Agenda 2030

#### Measuring Progress III with a probable focus on a thematic area

- Provides an update on measuring progress of environmentrelated SDG indicators
- > Statistical analysis of interlinkages between indicators
- Data gaps and opportunities



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