

# UN Agenda 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

ESA contribution to CEOS AHT on SDGs

**P**  **PEOPLE**  
End poverty and hunger  
in all forms and ensure  
dignity and equality

**P**  **PLANET**  
Protect our planet's  
natural resources  
and climate for  
future generations

# Sustainable Development

**P**  **PROSPERITY**  
Ensure prosperous  
and fulfilling lives in  
harmony with nature

**P**  **PARTNERSHIP**  
Implement the agenda  
through a solid global  
partnership

**P**  **PEACE**  
Foster peaceful, just and  
inclusive societies



**1** NO POVERTY



**2** ZERO HUNGER



**3** GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING



**4** QUALITY EDUCATION



**5** GENDER EQUALITY



**6** CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



**7** AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



**8** DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH



**9** INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



**10** REDUCED INEQUALITIES



**11** SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



**12** RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



**13** CLIMATE ACTION



**14** LIFE BELOW WATER



**15** LIFE ON LAND



**16** PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS



**17** PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development: 17 goals, 169 targets, 229 Indicators

*New norms to integrate the principles of sustainable development into country policies and programs*





Seventieth session  
Agenda items 15 and 116

### Resolution adopted by the General Assembly on 25 September 2015

[without reference to a Main Committee (A/70/L.1)]

#### 70/1. Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

*The General Assembly*

Adopts the following outcome document of the United Nations summit for the adoption of the post-2015 development agenda:

#### Transforming our world: the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

##### Preamble

This Agenda is a plan of action for people, planet and prosperity. It also seeks to strengthen universal peace in larger freedom. We recognize that eradicating poverty in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for sustainable development.

All countries and all stakeholders, acting in collaborative partnership, will implement this plan. We are resolved to free the human race from the tyranny of poverty and want and to heal and secure our planet. We are determined to take the bold and transformative steps which are urgently needed to shift the world on to a sustainable and resilient path. As we embark on this collective journey, we pledge that no one will be left behind.

The 17 Sustainable Development Goals and 169 targets which we are announcing today demonstrate the scale and ambition of this new universal Agenda. They seek to build on the Millennium Development Goals and complete what they did not achieve. They seek to realize the human rights of all and to achieve gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls. They are integrated and indivisible and balance the three dimensions of sustainable development: the economic, social and environmental.

The Goals and targets will stimulate action over the next 15 years in areas of critical importance for humanity and the planet.

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# Transforming our World: The 2030 Plan for Global Action

## Article 76:

... We will promote transparent and accountable scaling-up of appropriate public-private cooperation to exploit the contribution to be made by a wide range of data, including Earth observation and geo-spatial information, while ensuring national ownership in supporting and tracking progress.

Holloway

17  
GOALS



# Sustainable data for sustainable development

- The monitoring of the MDGs taught us that **data are indispensable elements of the development agenda**.
- Despite improvement, **critical data** for informed policy making on development **are still lacking**.
- **New technology** is changing the **way data are collected** and disseminated.
- Data should be **open, easily accessible** and **effective for decision--making**.



A World That Counts: **Mobilising the Data Revolution for Sustainable Development**, Nov. 2014

*UN SG Independent Expert Advisory Group on data revolution for sustainable development*

- **Global Action Plan for Sustainable Development Data** launched at UN WDF in Jan 2017 – to be adopted at UNSC-48
- **modernizing NSOs** is essential to achieving the 2030 SDGs.
- **Integrating geospatial and statistical data** is a necessity.

*First UN World Data Forum on Sustainable Development Data  
15-18 January 2017  
Cape Town, South Africa.*



# The importance of Earth Observations

Multiple variables from multiple data sources can be integrated  
into consolidated indicators ....  
if the data is **consistently available over space and time**

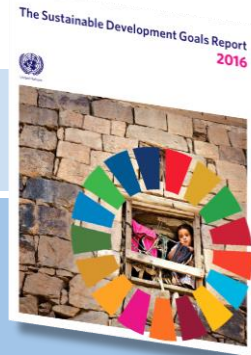


# Key Stakeholders of the SDGs implementation



**HIGH-LEVEL POLITICAL FORUM  
ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

*SG annual report on "Progress  
towards the Sustainable  
Development Goals"*



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**UN-GGIM**

UNITED NATIONS INITIATIVE ON  
GLOBAL GEOSPATIAL  
INFORMATION MANAGEMENT

**UNDESA - UN Statistics Division (UNSD)**

**IAEG-SDGs**

Inter-agency Expert Group on SDG Indicators

**National Statistical Offices**

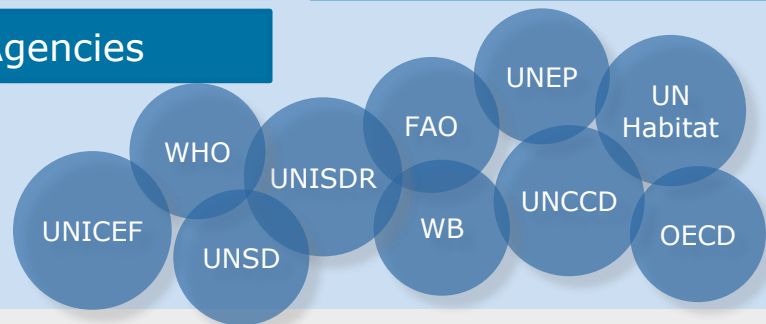
National governments and agencies

**UN Custodian Agencies**

Working Group on Geo-spatial Information (WGGI)

Working Group on Inter-linkages of SDGs

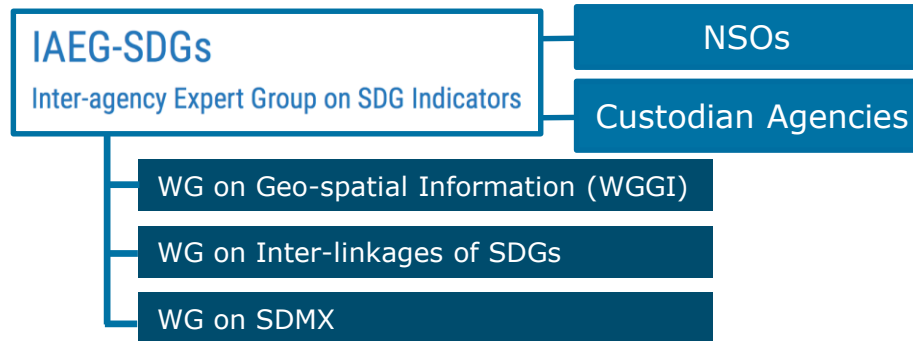
Working Group on SDMX



# The Global Indicator Framework



- Limited in number and **globally harmonized**
- Simple, single-variable indicators, with **straightforward policy implications**
- Allow for **high frequency monitoring**
- **Consensus based**, in line with international standards and system-based information
- Constructed from **well-established data sources**
- Can be **disaggregated**
- **Universal**
- Mainly **outcome-focused**
- **Science-based** and forward-looking
- A proxy for **broader issues** or conditions



## IAEG-SDGs ToR

- Develop a list of indicators for monitoring SDG targets.
- Provide technical support for country implementation.
- Regularly review methodological developments.
- review CB activities in NSOs.
- Report progress

## WGGI ToR

- Advise IAEG-SDGs how geo-spatial and EO can contribute.
- Identify existing geospatial data gaps & methodological issues.
- Provide GEO/EO best practices
- Propose strategies for methodological work on specific areas

*To monitor progress, inform policy and ensure accountability of all stakeholders*





# IAEG-SDGs Program of Work



- **Classify indicators into 3 tiers**, based on methodological development and data availability
- Establish adequate **methodology for Tier III indicators**, in conjunction with specialized agencies and relevant experts
- Discuss **available data sources** and methodology for improved coverage of **Tier II indicators**
- Explore **new data sources and data collection technologies**, including through partnerships with civil society, private sector and academia
- Regularly review **methodologies for indicators**
- Establish **baseline for tracking indicators**
- Address question of **periodicity of reporting**
- Review **data gaps** and related **capacity--building priorities**, and transmit results to HLG
- Agree on format of compilation and **dissemination of metadata on global indicators**



# GEO/CEOS/ESA Involvement in the SDG Process



GEO Initiatives on SDGs  
(E04SDGs)

Leads: NASA, JAXA, INEGI

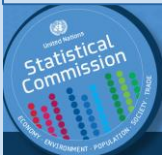
GEO, UN-GGIM, WHO, EPA, ESA ...

CEOS Ad-hoc team on  
SDGs

Leads: CSIRO, CSA, ESA

NASA, USGS, NOAA, ISRO, JAXA...

UN Statistical Division



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IAEG-SDGs

Inter-agency Expert Group on SDG Indicators

WG on Geo-spatial  
Information (WGGI)

UN  
Habitat UNCCD UNEP

UN  
Custodian  
Agencies

National  
Statistical  
Offices



# GEO EO4SDGs initiative

Realize the potential of EO and geospatial information to advance the **2030 Agenda** and enable societal benefits through achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

**GOAL I: Demonstrate** how EO and geospatial information, with socio-economic and other data contribute in novel and practical ways to support achievement of the SDGs.

**GOAL II: Increase** skills and capabilities in use of EO for SDG activities and their broader benefits.

**GOAL III: Broaden interest and awareness** of EO support to the SDGs and contribution to social, environmental, and economic benefits.

Target <i>Contribute to progress on the Target yet not the Indicator per se</i>							Goal	Indicator <i>Direct measure or indirect support</i>						
						1.5	1 No poverty							
				2.3	2.4	2.c	2 Zero hunger	2.4.1						
			3.3	3.4	3.9	3.d	3 Good health and well-being	3.9.1						
							4 Quality education							
							5 Gender equality	5.9.1						
	6.3	6.4	6.5	6.6	6.a	6.b	6 Clean water and sanitation	6.3.2	6.4.2	6.5.1	6.6.1			
							7 Affordable and clean energy	7.1.1						
				7.2	7.3	7.a	7.b	8 Decent work and economic growth	8.4					
							9 Industry, innovation and infrastructure	9.1.1						
							10 Reduced inequalities							
	11.3	11.4	11.5	11.6	11.7	11.b	11 Sustainable cities and communities	11.3.1	11.6.2	11.7.1				
							12 Responsible consumption and production							
							13 Climate action	13.1.1						
							14 Life below water	14.3.1						
	14.1	14.2	14.3	14.4	14.6	14.7	14.a							
15.1	15.2	15.3	15.4	15.5	15.7	15.8	15.9	15 Life on land	15.1.1	15.2.1	15.3.1	15.4.1	15.4.2	
								16 Peace, justice and strong institutions						
								17 Partnerships for the goal						
				17.6	17.7	17.9	17.16	17.17						



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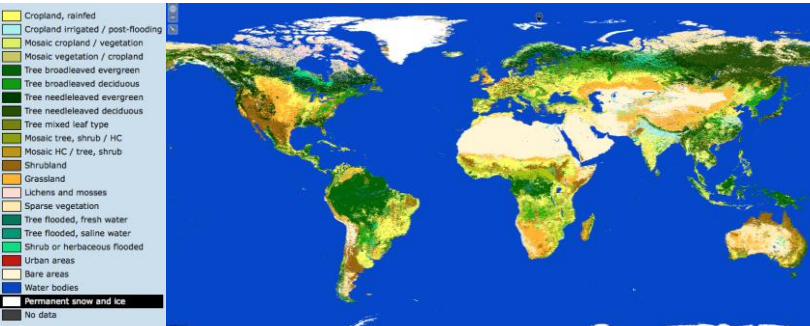


# SDG 15.3 Land Degradation Neutrality (LDN)



**Target 15.3** By 2030, combat desertification, restore degraded land & soil, including land affected by desertification, drought and floods, and strive to achieve a land degradation-neutral world.

**Indicator 15.3.1** “Percentage of land that is degraded over total land area”

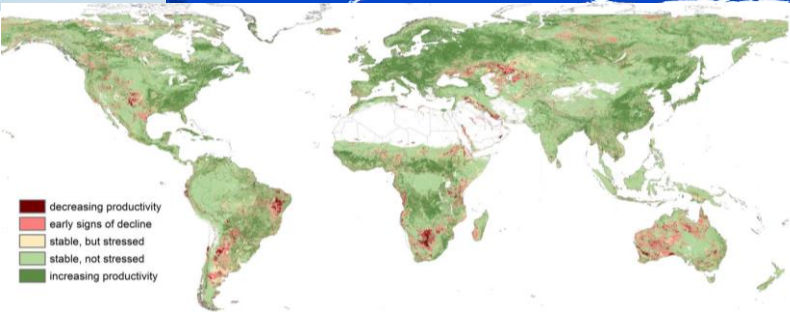


## Land Cover

GLOBAL LAND COVER MAP,  
EPOCH 2010

ENVISAT MERIS FRS, 300m

*ESA Land Cover CCI*



## Land Productivity Dynamics

LPD derived from 1999-2013 NDVI  
phenological analyses

SPOT VEGETATION, 1km

*EC Joint Research Center (JRC)*

## Custodian Agency:

- UNCCD (secretariat and Global Mechanism)

## Other Involved Agencies

- FAO, UNEP/WCMC



Contracted by UNCCD to  
provide good practice  
guidance for indicator 15.3.1

**TIER III**

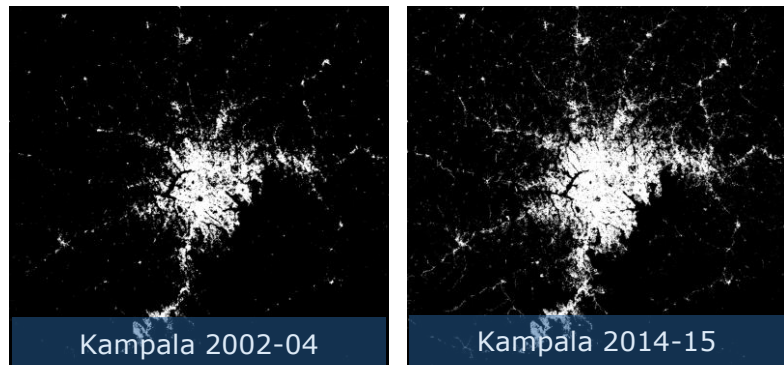
Monitoring 15.3.1. on the status & trends in land degradation is based on sub-indicators:  
(1) **Land Cover and Land Cover Changes** (2) **Land Productivity** (3) **Soil Organic Carbon**

# SDG 11.3 Sustainable Urbanization



**Target 11.3** By 2030, enhance inclusive & sustainable urbanization and capacity for participatory, integrated and sustainable human settlement planning and management in all countries.

**Indicator 11.3.1** "Ratio of land consumption rate to population growth rate"



## City Urban Extent

Kampala, Uganda

2002-04 based on ENVISAR  
ASAR and Landsat 5/7

2014-15 based on SENTINEL 1  
C-SAR and Landsat 8

***DLR, ESA SAR4URBAN***

## Custodian Agency:

- UN Habitat

## Other Involved Agencies

- UNDP, UN-DESA

## Global Urban Footprint 2015

Southern Uganda extract

Urban Footprint based on Sentinel 1  
C-SAR and Landsat 8 OLI

***DLR, ESA SAR4URBAN, ESA Urban TEP***

**TIER II**

Monitoring 11.3.1 on sustainable urbanization is based on 2 main inputs:

- (1) **Urban Extent maps**
- (2) **Population Density map**

# SDG Calendar 2016-2017

CEOS-GEO

UN SDGs

GEO XIII  
7-10 Nov  
St Petersburg

CEOS-30  
31 Oct -2 Nov  
Brisbane

CEOS AdT SDGs  
8-9 Mar  
Washington

GEO WP Symp  
12-13 May  
Tshwane

CEOS SIT-32  
25-27 Apr  
Paris

CEOS SIT TW  
11-14 Sept  
Frascati

GEO XIV  
25-26 Oct  
Washington

CEOS 31  
23-27 Oct  
South Dakota

1<sup>st</sup> UN WDF  
15-18 Jan  
Cap Town

UNSC-48  
7-10 Mar  
NYC

HLPF  
10-19 Jul  
NYC

4<sup>th</sup> IAEG-SDGs  
15-18 Nov  
Geneva

1<sup>st</sup> WGGI  
12-14 Dec  
Mexico

5<sup>th</sup> IAEG-SDGs  
28-31 Mar  
Ottawa

2<sup>nd</sup> WGGI  
9-11 May  
China

6<sup>th</sup> IAEG-SDGs  
November  
TBD

Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec



# EO support to SDG implementation



## Global Datasets

## Methodological Guidelines

## Country Support

## Capacity Building

## EO Software Toolboxes

## EO knowledge Hub & platforms

### Custodian Agencies

### NSOs and governments / agencies

### Key Stakeholders

- Access to global / regional datasets.
- in the absence of or to complement and enhance, national data sources.
- countries which face major difficulties in collecting national data

- Support custodian agencies to develop method. guidelines to countries.
- EO Best Practices.
- Scientifically sound approaches.
- Product validation.
- Show Cases.

- Targeted activities to support NSOs and ministries to report on SDG indicators.
- Support country level efforts to apply EO to track, monitor and achieve SDGs.

- Build capacity to exploit EO
- Training courses
- Training material on EO best practices
- Mainly in developing and emerging economies
- Critical mass of technical centers

- Free of charge
- Open source
- Easy to use
- EO Processing Toolboxes (ESA SNAP)
- Thematic Toolboxes

- Knowledge sharing
- Facilitate access to satellite data
- Access to global / regional datasets
- EO Best practices
- Method. guidelines
- Visualisation and Analysis tools
- On-line processing
- Toolboxes





# SDG 6.6 Water-related Ecosystems



Global Datasets

Methodological Guidelines

Country Support

Capacity Building

EO Software Toolboxes

EO knowledge Hub & Platforms

UNEP custodian of SDG 6.6.1

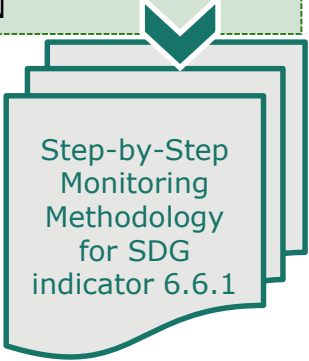
NSOs and governments / agencies

Ramsar STRP

6.6 Expert Workshop, Switzerland, Sept 2015

**SDG 6.6 Target Team:** UNEP, Ramsar, IWMI, UN WATER, CBD, UNEP WCMC, UNEP DHI, ESA, IUCN

- Global Mangrove Watch (JAXA)
- Global Surface Waters (JRC)
- Global Wetland Extent (ESA GW Africa with GEO-Wetlands)



**GPSDD** funded "EO support for SDG 6.6. monitoring and reporting on wetlands", **Uganda**  
**GW Africa**

- ESA GW Africa Regional Trainings
- ESA TIGER Capacity Building Facility
- GEO-Wetlands Capacity Building Working Group



- Knowledge sharing Hub
- EO Best Practices
- Mapping Standards
- Monitor. Guidelines
- Benefit Showcases
- Toolboxes
- On-line processing



# SDG 15.3 Land Degradation Neutrality



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UNCCD custodian of SDG 15.3.1

UNCCD Global Mechanism

UNCCD Secretariat  
Scientific Knowledge Brokering

15.3 Expert Meeting, Washington, Feb 2016

**LDN Target Setting Program (LDN TSP)**  
100+ countries  
With support from JRC, ESA and ISRIC

15.3 Framework and Guiding Principles

Inter-Agency Advisory Group  
(FAO, UNEP, UNSD, CBD, UNFCCC)

CSIRO contracted by UNCCD  
Reviewers: ESA



New GEO initiative on LDN under discussions between GEO, UNCCD, ESA and CSIRO

- CCI 300m Global Land Cover (ESA)
- 1km Land Productivity Dynamics (JRC)
- 1km Soil Organic Carbon (ISRIC)

Good Practice guide for reporting on SDG indicator 15.3.1



# SDG 11.3 Sustainable Urbanization

Tier 3

Tier 2

Tier 1

Global  
Datasets

Methodological  
Guidelines

Country  
Support

Capacity  
Building

Software  
Toolboxes

Knowledge  
Hub &  
Platforms

UN Habitat custodian of SDG 11.3.1

11.3 Expert Group Meeting, NYC, Feb 2016

Monitoring of SDG 11.3

NSOs and city authorities



- Access to global data sets (GUF)
- Explore thematic layers
- On-demand processing
- On-line Analysis & visualisation
- Collaborative community sharing

11.3.1  
Metadata  
Compendium



- Atlas of Urban Expansion (NYU and Lincoln Institute)
- GHSL - Global Human Settlement Layer (JRC)
- *GUF - Global Urban Footprint* (DLR/ESA)





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Support CEOS, ESA and its Member States and the EO community at large to play a leading role in the full realisation of Earth Observations in the 2030 agenda for SD

- Analyse in depth the **Metadata Repository** of all SDG indicators (17 goals, 169 targets, 230 indicators) and assess the **current and potential contribution of EO** to the SDG indicators' implementation.
- Review the **Tier 2 and 3 monitoring guidelines** produced by the custodian agencies for a number of key SDG indicators (**at least 5**) and propose areas of EO improvements.
- Perform **one country demonstration**, by partnering with the NSO and the relevant national governmental authorities (for the indicators selected) in **one developing country** to support implementation of a number of SDG indicators (**at least two**)
- Study how the **EC/ESA/MS developed platforms and big data initiatives (Datacube)** can serve the data and information needs of the large community of SDG stakeholders (UN-GGIM, Custodian Agencies, National Statistical Offices, etc.).

EOEP-5, 400 KEUR, 18 months, ITT in 2017 Q2