



## **IDWG Meeting**

### **24 September 2021 – Online**

## **Minutes**

### **Attendees**

- DECC –Hannah Gilmartin, Niamh Hamill
- D/Taoiseach – Marie Clarke
- DFA – Ciaran Breen
- D/Finance – Patrick Mulhall
- D/Justice – Eileen Leahy
- D/Education – Leona De Khors
- DETE –, Rory Mulholland, Shannen Enright
- DPER – Fiachra Kennedy
- DSP – Paul Dockery
- DTTAS - Maurice Harnett, Mairin Nicheallaigh
- DTCAGSM - Sinead O'Hara
- DHLGH – Martin McMahon
- DRCD – Maura Lynskey
- DAFM – Harry Crowley

### **Agenda**

#### **1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous IDWG meeting on the 25 June 2021 were agreed.

#### **2. Updates provide on work since June IDWG meeting:**

- **Consultation process**

NH DECC provided an update on work progressed to date as part of the NIP public consultation



process including - submissions received to date through the broad online consultation, Sector Surveys and workshop developments.

Next steps include the launch of the paid campaign on social channels, a review of potential market research options and tagging of consultation content to assist with submission analysis.

- **Best practice examples of SDG referencing and incorporation into policy**

NH DECC provided an overview of the examples submitted by IDWG members

- **Key learnings from the 2021 HLPF**

HG DECC provided an overview of key messages and learnings from the 2021 HLPF including:

- The Importance of engaging youth and young leaders, private sector and promoting Agenda 2030 at local level; and
- Different member State approaches to SDG Implementation and governance structures

DECC to circulate Ireland's National Statement given by Minister Ryan to IDWG members.

- **Update from July SOG**

Consideration and discussion regarding the best time to progress Ireland's next VNR.

- **Wellbeing Framework**

Overlaps and synergies between work on the SDGs and the Wellbeing Framework. The next phase of work on the Wellbeing Framework will include an explicit mapping of linkages between the two.

- **Meeting with OECD**

Consideration of applying for EU SRSP/TSI Funding in 2022 to obtain OECD support on a 12-18 month project.

D/Justice to share learnings from their application.

### **3. Draft actions for inclusion in the 2<sup>nd</sup> National Implementation Plan**

HG DECC opened discussions on the proposed draft actions for inclusion in the 2nd National Implementation Plan.

IDWG members to circulate actions to relevant colleagues in respective Departments for review



and asked to revert with consolidated written obs by Friday 10th September.

Once reviewed and obs incorporated, actions will be further developed including assignment of Departmental responsibility and timelines for delivery.

**Points raised by members:**

- Support for the inclusion of the SDGs in the Civil Service Renewal Awards.
- Support for the introduction of a requirement to examine the impacts of regulations on the SDGs as part of Regulatory Impact Assessments and Memos to Government
- Inclusion of a section on global impact, national financial supports and international efforts which support Goal Implementation on a global level

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No meeting to take place in August. Date of September IDWG meeting TBC.