Interdepartmental Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals [SDGs] Thursday 11th December 2019

Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment Rooms 5D&E, Adelaide Road

Minutes:

Attendees: Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment (DCCAE)

Department of the Taoiseach

Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade

Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport

Department of Education and Skills

Department of Business, Enterprise, and Innovation

Department of Employment Affairs and Social Protection

Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine

Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government

Department of Rural and Community Development

Department of Children and Youth Affairs

Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht

Apologies Department of Public Expenditure and Reform

Department of Finance
Department of Justice

1. Upcoming SDG Stakeholder 18th December

 DCCAE updated the Interdepartmental Working Group on the upcoming Stakeholder Forum on the 18th December and provided the Agenda for the meeting.

2. Senior Officials Group -

Update by DCCAE on the recent Senior Officials Group meeting. Department
of the Taoiseach also provided some insight on the meeting. DCCAE to
provide members of the IDWG with the briefing note on same.

3. TOR for IDWG and Work Plan for IDWG 2020

DCCAE gave an update and brief outline of the work plan for the IDWG for
 2020 and the plans to update the TOR for the IDWG considering the increased
 work plan for 2020 which will include meeting monthly.

4. Next National Implementation Plan 2020 (Q4)

• DCCAE provided brief description of the proposed work plan for the next National Implementation Plan. An outline of what the consultative process would look like and a rough timeline was also discussed. The need for policy coherence on the entirety of the process was highlighted by DCCAE and DFAT. Department of the Taoiseach outlined the possibility that it may mean more than 1 meeting a month for the IDWG members.

5. AOB

 Department of Education and Skills provided an update and short information leaflet from the Education for Sustainable Development Conference which took place on the 28th November 2019.

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