VNR Report Structure

Some Ideas

Introduction

- 2019 is Year 4 of the 2030 Agenda so VNR reports should be reviewing actions and measures taken to advance implementation of the 2030 Agenda, including the SDGs & where possible progress on leaving no-one-behind

- VNRs are not expected to focus on the SDGs being reviewed by the HLPF that year.

- Share good practices, gaps and lessons learned, possible areas where support is needed or potential for partnerships.

- Countries are encouraged to provide as much as possible analysis based on statistics and VNR indicators.

  - However, it is up to individual countries to determine how they wish to include statistics and indicators in their VNRs.

- Countries may want to illustrate the main elements of the reviews with figures showing trends, as appropriate. Countries may include an annex with data, using the Global SDG indicators and adding priority indicators identified at the regional and national levels where appropriate.

Key Areas to Cover in VNR

- Opening Statement
- Highlights
- Introduction, Methodology for the process for preparation of the VNR
- Ownership of the SDGs (Stakeholder engagement, Partnerships)
- Incorporation of SDGs into national frameworks
- Integration of the 3 sustainable development dimensions
- Leaving No One Behind
- Institutional Mechanisms
- Structural Issues
- Goals and Targets
- Means of Implementation
- Conclusions
- Next Steps
- Annexes

  - Reference 2019 Guidance Handbook (Pages 21-45)

The Bahamas – An Example

- 132 page report – cover – child's painting
- Basically followed Handbook Structure
- First 40 pages covering introduction, etc.
- Remaining pages (92) focused on review of each SDG – 2 subheadings

Kiribati - example

- 121 pages following Handbook Format - includes a number of annexes
- Included photos and graphs
- Review of each SDG but clustered under Key Priority Areas (KPAs)
  - KPA1 covers SDG4
  - KPA2 covers SDGs 1, 2,8, 10
  - KPA3 covers SDG3
  - KPA4 covers SDG 11, 12, 13, 14, 15
  - KPA 5 covers SDG 5, 16
  - KPA 6 covers SDG 6,7,9

Maldives - example

- 22 page report plus annexes
- Not fancy and limited analysis
- Annex showing status of indicators by SDG

Australia - example

- Short outline of introductory sections

- Covers all 17 Goals

- Includes coverage of how they are helping other countries achieve the 2030 Agenda (including Pacific Islands)

- Gave focus to women and Indigenous community through adoption of art work by Aboriginal woman

General Observations

- As the years pass important that VNRs move from descriptive review of processes towards more detailed analysis of development performance

- Options on length and structure as well as quality of print, etc.

- Review of SDGs can be structured around National priorities (clusters,pillars, etc.) or in some cases VNRs have been framed around the 5 Ps (People, Planet, Prosperity, Peace & Partnerships)