



Policy coherence for sustainable development: mainstreaming the SDGs in Italian decision making process

Structural Reform Support Programme

2nd Workshop: Designing policies for advancing on Agenda 2030 at home and abroad



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Duration: 3 hours

Platform: Zoom working language English

Data: 29th March 2021

Time: 10:00-13:00

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Objective:

The objectives of this workshop are twofold:

- 1) Identifying activities for Italy's engagement: Participants identify concrete ideas how Italy could maximise the positive effects of its policies for developing countries, including through leading by example and mobilising other countries, and how it could minimise negative effects. Insights from this discussion should inform reflections on how the National Sustainable Development Strategy can integrate this global dimension.
- 2) Enhancing the political framework: Participants identify concrete ideas how decision-making processes can better reflect the effects of Italian policies on developing countries, notably by understanding and monitoring the impact of policies, ensuring stakeholder engagement and mobilising cross-ministerial coordination.

Final output: The workshop will contribute to identify existing or potential policy coherence mechanisms to be included in the PCSD Action Plan due by 2021.



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Agenda

Opening remarks

10:00-10:05: *Director General Oliviero Montanaro* – Ministry for Ecological Transition (DG CRESS)

10:05-10:10: *Cons. Umberto Malnati* – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (DGCS)

10:10-10:15: *Deputy Technical Director Lorenzo Carmenati* - Italian Agency for Development Cooperation

10:15-10:20: *Methodology of the workshop, Reviews, Results, Evaluations and Development Innovation Division, Development Cooperation Directorate, OECD - Santhosh PERSAUD*

10:20-10:50: Teasers to introduce the working groups

3 keynote speakers (5-7 minutes each) provide a teaser introducing the 3 topics of the working groups and offering 3 ways Italy could maximise the positive effects for developing countries of its policies in that area.

- **Planet:** Sustainable production and consumption
- **People:** Migration and development: *Andrea Stocchiero (FOCSIV) and Roberto Sensi (Action Aid)*
- **Prosperity:** Responsible business conduct: *Silvia Ainio* – European Commission (DG FISMA)

10.50 – 11:40 **Part 1: Three aspects of Italian policies where the effects for developing countries could be maximised**

Split in the three **working groups**:

- **People:** Migration and development.
Santhosh PERSAUD, Reviews, Results, Evaluations and Development Innovation Division OECD Development Cooperation Directorate
Anna Piccinni, Policy Coherence for the SDGs Division, OECD Public Governance Directorate
- **Planet:** Sustainable production and consumption.
Liva Stokenberga, OECD, Well-being inclusion, sustainability and equal opportunities
Stefano Marta, A territorial approach to SDGs, Centre for Entrepreneurship, SMEs, Regions and Cities
- **Prosperity:** Responsible business conduct.
Ziga Zarnic, OECD, Well-being inclusion, sustainability and equal opportunities
Ernesto Soria Morales, Policy Coherence for the SDGs Division, OECD Public Governance Directorate



Group exercise will be aiming at:

- **Question 1:** Each group will identify up to three aspects/issues of Italian action in the respective policy area where consensus could be built
- **Question 2:** Data to present why the interests of developing countries should be taken more into account for that specific action?
- **Question 3:** What a more balanced policy could entail (i.e. do criteria/principles already exist)? Are these criteria/approaches currently reflected in national strategic documents or should they be better included in the provisions of the NSDS and/or Three-Year Programming and Policy Planning Document for Development Cooperation?
- **Question 4:** Key stakeholders for whom these reasons are particularly important

11:40-11:45 Coffee break

11.45 – 12.30

Part 2: Institutional mechanisms to systematically consider the effect of Italian policies for developing countries

11:45-11:50: **OECD teaser** on institutional mechanisms for integrating transboundary impact in the decision-making cycle

11:50-12:30: **Group discussion**

- **People:** Migration and development.
- **Planet:** Sustainable production and consumption.
- **Prosperity:** Responsible business conduct.

Group exercise will be aiming at answering the **following questions**:

- Identifying existing or potential cross-ministerial, multi-level and multi-stakeholders settings in that policy area, do they include developing countries/diaspora?
- Mechanisms for anticipating and assessing the effects that Italian policies related to that aspect/issue will have for developing countries
- At what stage of the policy cycle these evaluations can be linked to policy making?
- What institutional framework/guidance/standards could support integrating transboundary issue into decision making?

12h30-12h55: Restitution from the rapporteurs and closure



Each rapporteur shares the issues on which progress could be made and the governance mechanism that would more systematically consider the effect of Italian policies for developing countries in particular in these areas.

12h55-13h00 Closure

Tour de table:

Rahul Malhotra - Head of Division, Reviews, Results, Evaluations and Development Innovation Division,
Development Cooperation Directorate, OECD

Cons. Umberto Malnati – Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (DGCS)

Mara Cossu – Ministry for Ecological Transition (DG CRESS)