The Finland we want by 2050
Society’s commitment to Sustainable Development

Sauli Rouhinen, Secretary General, FNCSD; Ministry of the Environment, Finland
ESDN Conference Rome, 6.11.2014
The Global Sustainable Development Policy Process is implemented by the National Sustainable Development Policy Process, which is in continuous dialogue with itself. The National Sustainable Development Policy Process coordinates the FNCSD—A multi-stakeholder political forum from 1993—builds mainly on SD strategies from 1990, 1995, 1998, 2006, which are open coordination reflected in societal actor’s SD strategies. Evaluations 2003, 2009, 2012 were active parties in, are changed into, proposed a new approach. New forums & new partners & societal piloting & operational commitments broaden the SD process to The Finland We Want by 2050—Society’s Commitment to Sustainable Development.
The Finland We Want by 2050

clarifies the idea of sustainable development for

is monitored by

gives a political framework for transitions

implemented by

strengthens the policy coherence

Government programme 2015 - 2018

Foresight Report 2030

Energy & Climate roadmap 2050

Natural Resources 2050

Strategies & Action programs

Operational commitments by Policy sectors, administration, civil society, etc.

Operational commitment by business, trade unions, municipalities etc.

SD performance indicators findicator.fi

Process indicators of operational commitments

Business

Citizens

Policy sectors

Politicians

The Innovation Funds (Sitra & Tekes)

Resource-wise cities etc.

Piloting

Modelling

Training

Financing

Sustainable Wellbeing Society 2.0

Politicians & change makers

Technology programs

Green Growth

Cleantech

Green Mining

Sustainable Economic Policy Management

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Shared objectives

Equal prospects for well-being
Good health, education and employment for all members of the society.

A participatory society for citizens
All citizens can fully take part in developing our society. More transparent administration: open and public information.

Sustainable work
A high employment rate, improved productivity, profitability and quality of work. Promotion of green economy.

Sustainable local communities
Strengthened local communities by supporting an active civil society. More meeting places. Pleasant and healthy living environments.

A carbon-neutral society
A national roadmap towards a carbon-neutral society by the year 2050. Improved energy efficiency, increased share of renewable energy. Intelligent infrastructures

An economy that is resource-wise
Finland, a forerunner in socially responsible business operations. Sustainable and competitive solutions, both nationally and globally.

Lifestyles that respect the carrying capacity of nature
Bring the global consumption of natural resources to an environmentally sustainable level by 2050. Lifestyles based on non-material consumption and services that sustain such lifestyles.

Decision-making that respects nature
Strengthened guidance that promotes biodiversity and the sustainable use of natural resources.
Operational commitments by societal actors
Nov 2014 ~ 90 commitments

Commitments by main goals

- DECISION-MAKING THAT RESPECTS NATURE
- EQUAL PROSPECTS FOR WELL-BEING
  - A PARTICIPATORY SOCIETY FOR CITIZENS
- LIFESTYLES THAT RESPECT THE CARRYING CAPACITY OF NATURE
  - SUSTAINABLE WORK
  - SUSTAINABLE LOCAL COMMUNITIES
- AN ECONOMY THAT IS RESOURCE WISE
  - A CARBON NEUTRAL SOCIETY
- LIFESTYLES THAT RESPECT THE CARRYING CAPACITY OF NATURE
Examples of the committed partners

Solved – the CleanTech Company
Kela – Social insurance institution
AHLSTROM
Outotec – More out of ore
"Sustainable Use of Earth’s Natural Resources"

"we make high performance products for a clean and healthy environment. Our sustainability promise lies in that."

Koti Pizzas – Parempaa pizzaa saa hakea
S-Ryhma
Forest Industry
Regional Council of North Karelia
School of Economics
Kanttiia2 – Architect office
Finnish Energy Industries
Ministry of the Environment

"Goodbye to the fossile fuels by 2030"
National Commission on Sustainable Development
Chair, Prime Minister Alexander Stubb
Vice-chair, Minister of the Environment, Ms Sanni Grahn-Laasonen

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Sustainable development is a globally, regionally and locally ongoing process of continuous and targeted change in society. It aims at safeguarding the current and future generations with opportunities for a good life. This requires that the environment, people and the economy are equally taken into account in decision-making and activities.

Read more

Sustainable development indicators

Equal opportunities for well-being

- Life expectancy
- Development co-operation
- Income differentials
- Those aged 17 - 24 not in education or training (Welfare compass)
- Subjective well-being (Eurofund)

Society of participating citizens

- Voting turnout
- Suora osallistuminen (Vaalitutkimus) (in Finnish)
- Kansalaisyhteiskunta (Vaalitutkimus) (in Finnish)
- Luottamus instituutioihin (Vaalitutkimus) (in Finnish)