

COUNTRY REPORTING ON THE NATIONAL ASSESSMENT AND CONSULTATION PROCESS FOR WSSD

(max 2 pages)

For the National Assessments of the Implementation of Agenda 21 for WSSD, we would kindly ask you to provide us with a simple country reporting on the national assessment and consultation process for WSSD following the below outline:

Country:

Prepared by:

A. Background

1. Does your country have a National Agenda 21 or a similar strategy/policy document?
(If yes, please list the key focus areas addressed in that document)

No

2. Are there any Local Agenda 21 initiatives in your country?
(If yes, please list the key focus areas of the Local Agenda 21 initiatives)

No

3. How has your UNDP Country Office and/or National Capacity 21 Program been involved in the National Agenda 21/Local Agenda 21 process in your country?

There is no such involvement

B. National WSSD Preparatory Process (ongoing/planned):

1. What are the key objectives of the preparatory process?

UNDP Georgia assists the Government of Georgia, namely the Ministry of Environment through its Capacity Building project in preparation national assessment report. One of the components of the stated project is developing conceptual framework for National Strategy for Sustainable Development. Since it has to be process driven activity and there are limited resources within the project to conduct this intersectoral endeavor the current activities cover national consultations only. UNDP/Government are in the process of mobilising additional resources.

2. When did it start?

August 2001

3. Who is financing the process? (Government, UNDP, Capacity 21, others...)

UNDP Georgia

4. Which national agency is leading the process?

Ministry of Environment. It is important to note that activities include data collection and mobilisation of additional resources.

5. Who are the key stakeholders participating in the process? How are they participating?

Due to the lack of funding there is no such process underway

6. What are the cross-cutting themes of the national WSSD preparatory process (e.g., poverty and sustainable development, sustainable energy, sustainable communities, etc.)?

Major focus should be placed on access to sustainable energy and environmental governance.

7. What is the methodology/mechanism established for the preparatory process? (working groups, consultation processes, reports, etc.)

Consultation and reports. If additional resources are secured UNDP in collaboration with the Government, and upon its request will facilitate the intersectoral process of preparation to WSSD.

8. How has your UNDP CO and/or National Capacity 21 Program (if one exists) been involved in the preparatory process?

There is no Capacity 21 programme in the country

9. What are the needs to ensure the continuation of the process (technical and/or financial)?

Financial

C. Workplan:

Please attach the workplan for the national preparatory process (if available).

Work plan attached is tentative and can be adapted according to availability of additional resources.

Note: Kindly submit the report to Mr. Rastislav Vrbensky (rastislav.vrbensky@undp.org), copied to Ms. Esra Sarioglu (esra.sarioglu@undp.org) before **15 September 2001**, for distribution during the workshop.