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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
1 NO POVERTY
2 ZERO HUNGER
3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
4 QUALITY EDUCATION
5 GENDER EQUALITY
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION
14 LIFE BELOW WATER
15 LIFE ON LAND
16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

GOAL 11

MAKE CITIES AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS INCLUSIVE, SAFE, RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE

1. Housing
2. Transport
3. Planning
4. Heritage
5. Disasters
6. Environmental Impact
7. Green & Public Spaces

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

More at sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgsproposal

Goal 11 Targets

1. Housing
    1. Needs to be adequate, safe, affordable
    2. Access to housing for all – upgrade slums
2. Transport
    1. Safe, affordable, accessible, sustainable
    2. Special attention paid to the needs of the vulnerable
3. Planning
    1. Participatory, integrated, sustainable, inclusive
    2. 3Es – equity, economy, environment
4. Heritage
    1. Cultural and natural (within cities)
    2. Protect and safeguard
5. Disasters
    1. Reduce # deaths and people affected
    2. Focus on vulnerable populations
6. Environmental impact
    1. Reduce per capita impact
    2. Focus on air quality and waste management
7. Green and public spaces
    1. Safe, inclusive, accessible
    2. Focus on accessibility for women, children, elderly and disabled

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“One humanity, one world, with a common destiny”
Ellen Sirleaf – President of Liberia

“We have been dumb and nasty to each other [...] there is not a place on this planet that is not destabilized.”

“Governments rarely agree on anything. But 193 of them agreed on the SDG agenda.”

- Jeff Sachs

“Nobody can do everything but everybody can do something.”

“We need integrated policies and alliances to implement the interlinked web of SDGs”

“We may have a ‘plan B’ but no ‘planet B’”

- Jan Eliasson, Secretary Deputy General, United Nations

Take-homes from breakout sessions

1. **Mobilizing the private sector – SDG roadmaps for companies**
2. **Public-private partnerships**
3. **ICT for SDGs**
4. **Leveraging "Big Data"**
5. **Need for "mass innovation"**
6. **Cities = the missing link in Development**
7. **Story-telling for Development**
8. **Need to finance development - @GiveMe5, reprioritize**

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Take-homes from side-events

1. Civil society engagement for implementation and accountability
2. Data Revolution for Development
3. Rerouting private investment
4. Fight corruption
5. USAID – calls for rapid inclusive growth underpinned by strong institutions and ethical governance

Side-Event Details

1. Civil society engagement
    1. Need official consultations, regular meetings, conferences
    2. CIVICUS – great organization you can join as a free member to join conversations etc.
    3. Civil society organizations can act as watch-dogs for development – ensure that government is doing their part as well

2. Data revolution
    1. For example, there was an 8.4 million people survey (biggest ever) that brought to light a lot of issues that made it to the SDG agenda
    2. Need data to track progress
    3. Need to leverage data that already exists

3. Private investment should be rerouted and steered towards achieving social impact

4. Fight corruption
    1. Up to 90% of ODA is lost to corruption

5. USAID – calls for rapid inclusive growth underpinned by strong institutions and ethical governance
    1. Institutions are where the rubber hits the road
    2. But governance is key to ensure success

Not sure about this “Global Agenda”…

“They’re wishy-washy”

“Inevitably, people will be left out”

“We’ll never achieve them, just like the MDGs”

“So many missed chances…”

“By the first world, for the first world”

“How are we going to afford all of this?”

“The growth it calls for is inherently unjust and exploitative”

“This movement is meant to distract the world from real problems”

… what now?

1. **Focus on what's already happening**
2. **Speak a new language to spread the word**
3. **Build civil society groups**
4. **Public-private-government partnerships**
5. **SDGs in schools!**

Thank you!