Implementation of the Agenda 2030 in Finland

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National 2030 Agenda architecture

Prime Minister’s Office: Agenda2030 Coordination Secretariat

Ministry for Foreign Affairs

Sustainable Development Coordination Network: all Ministries


Sustainable Development Expert Panel

The 2030 Agenda Youth Group

Prime Minister’s Office & Ministry of the Environment

National Follow-up and Review Network
Chair: Prime Minister’s Office

Finnish Development Policy Committee
Chair: Member of the Parliament

National Commission on Sustainable Development
Chair: Prime Minister

Society’s Commitment to Sustainable Development (2016)

The 2030 Agenda

Youth Group
Finland: key steps in the 2030 Agenda implementation

2016

• Prime Minister’s Office takes the lead
• GAP analysis is prepared
• The first VNR
• Preparation of national implementation plan begins

2017

• National Commission on Sustainable Development (NCSD) participates in the preparation of the VNR & national implementation plan
• SD expert panel provides support
• National follow-up a & review network is established

• The Government’s A2030 implementation Plan is submitted to the Parliament
• Preparation of national follow-up and review system

• Parliament discusses implementation
• The 2030 Agenda Youth Group is established
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Finland: key steps in the 2030 Agenda implementation 2020

- National implementation plan to Parliament
- Second VNR
- Start of preparation of National Agenda2030 Roadmap


- Discussions in the Parliament

- **Tool to engage the whole of Society**: “Society’s Commitment to Sustainable Development”: it is a long-term sustainable development policy framework and tool engage the public administration, cities, business, civil society and other stakeholders
"The Commitment process has been well received and it has progressed better than expected. This said, the work has just began and we need to attract a lot more operational commitments.

- Professor in the Finnish Sustainable Development Expert Panel

550 000
Lifestyle tests has been taken in a year!

Society’s Commitment to Sustainable Development

OVER
1600
COMMITMENTS
400+ companies
90+ in education
100+ cities
120+ associations
852 citizens

INDUSTRIAL BRANCHES
finance, forestry, commerce, energy, technology, marine

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GREEN DEALS
plastic carrier bags
nutrition
automotive

6
Government programme of Finland:

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