

COORDINATION FRAMEWORK FOR THE SDGs

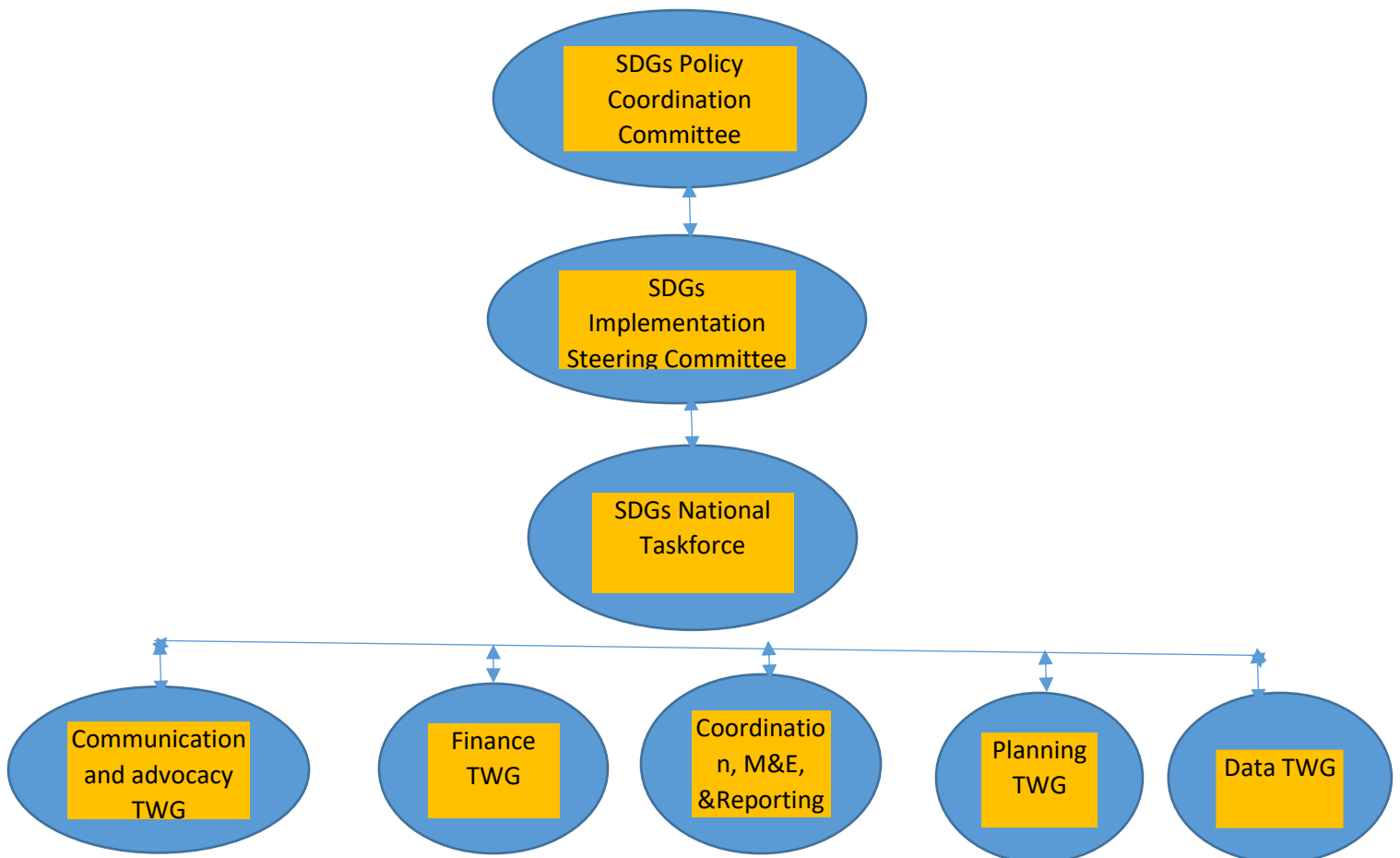
1. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) were officially adopted on 25th September 2015 by the United Nations Member States as the new global development framework: **'Transforming our World – the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development'**.
2. The core elements of the SDGs are a set of 17 universal goals with 169 specific development targets. The SDGs build on the agenda of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) which expired in 2015. The UN Member States are expected to design development agendas and policies that will accelerate the achievement the SDGs by 2030.
3. The strategic linkages between the national vision and the global trajectory is clear and very strong. 76% of the Sustainable Development Goals applicable to Uganda are integrated in the NDP II. The implementation of SDGs will be done through the existing structures. Therefore, the various actors have to be well coordinated to ensure a coherent, consistent and seamless implementation process.
4. The high level engagement between Government of Uganda and the UN Country Team tasked the Office of the Prime Minister with the overall coordination of the implementation of the SDGs. The decision was communicated to the Permanent Secretary, Office of the Prime Minister, by the Head of Public Service and Secretary to Cabinet on 3rd September 2015.
5. The high level engagement between Government of Uganda and UN Country Team also agreed on the roles and responsibilities of key Ministries, Departments and Agencies in the effort to achieve the SDG targets as follows: The Office of the Prime Minister was tasked with overall coordination,

Monitoring and Evaluation, reporting and popularizing SDGs; Ministry of Finance, Planning and Economic Development is responsible for financing; the National Planning Authority is responsible for the integration of SDGs in all national, sector and local government plans ; and the Uganda Bureau of Statistics is responsible for provision of data.

6. During the inaugural SDGs coordination meeting on 30th March 2016, it was agreed that:

- i. A coordination framework be developed for the implementation of SDGs
- ii. There will be five Technical working Groups, namely; Data TWG; Communication and Advocacy TWG; Coordination, Monitoring and Evaluation and Reporting TWG; Financing TWG; and Planning TWG.
- iii. Each of the TWGs should have clear ToRs

7. THE SDGs COORDINATION FRAMEWORK



i. The SDGs Policy Coordination Committee

The Highest structure in the coordination of the implementation of SDGs will be the SDGs Policy Coordination Committee. The committee will comprise of the Members of Cabinet, Heads of UN Agencies and Heads of Mission under the Chairmanship of the Prime Minister. The committee will meet once a year to review implementation and provide policy guidance and direction to MDAs on SDGs.

ii. The SDGs Implementation Steering Committee

Below the SDGs-PCC, there will be the SDGs Implementation Steering Committee. This committee will comprise of Permanent Secretaries, Heads of Agencies and UN Country representatives and participating Development Partners. These will meet twice a year to review progress and recommend policy proposals to the PCC. This committee will be chaired by the Head of Public Service and Secretary to Cabinet.

iii. The SDGs National Taskforce

Below the SDG-ISC, will be the SDGs National Taskforce. The taskforce will comprise of technical officers from OPM, MoFPED, NPA, MoFA, MoLG, UBOS, UN, NGO Forum and PSFU. The committee will be chaired by the Permanent Secretary in the Office of the Prime Minister. The task force will meet quarterly to receive and consider reports from TWGs and make recommendations for consideration by the SDGs Implementation Steering Committee.

iv. SDGs Technical Working Groups

There will be five Technical Working Groups. The TWGs and the corresponding lead institutions are in the table below;

	TWG	Lead Agency
1	Coordination, Monitoring, Evaluation and Reporting	OPM
2	Data	UBOS
3	Planning	NPA
4	Communication and Advocacy	MoING
5	Financing	MoFPED

TORs for TWGs

DATA TWG

- I. Develop indicators for tracking progress on SDGs within the framework of the NDP
- II. Domesticate SDG indicators within the NDP framework.
- III. Establish baselines for SDG indicators
- IV. Generate and disseminate data on SDG indicators
- V. Undertake surveys to inform reporting
- VI. Organize a stakeholders' meeting to discuss and agree on the indicators
- VII. Indicate the TWG membership and their roles and responsibilities.
- VIII. Harness synergies with the other TWGs.
- IX. Prepare quarterly reports for consideration by the National Taskforce

COMMUNICATION AND ADVOCACY TWG

- I. Develop a communication and advocacy strategy for popularizing SDGs
- II. Disseminate the communication and advocacy strategy to all MDAs, LGs and other stakeholders.
- III. Ensure implementation the communication and advocacy strategy
- IV. Indicate the TWG membership and their roles and responsibilities.
- V. Harness synergies with the other TWGs.
- VI. Prepare quarterly reports for consideration by the National Taskforce

FINANCE TWG

- I. Mobilize resources for financing the implementation of SDGs
- II. Ensure that resources are used for the purpose for which they were dispensed.
- III. Indicate the TWG membership and their roles and responsibilities.
- IV. Harness synergies with the other TWGs.
- V. Prepare quarterly reports for consideration by the National Taskforce

CROSS-SECTORAL COORDINATION, MONITORING AND REPORTING TWG

- I. Review the MDAs & LGs quarterly reports on the SDG implementation;
- II. Undertake indicator profiling and target setting exercises in MDAs and LGs
- III. Set targets for the process indicators
- IV. Prepare reports on the SDG implementation in the GHAPR & GAPR
- V. Prepare the regular reports for submission to the UN
- VI. Undertake evaluation of SDG interventions
- VII. Arrange cross-sectoral engagements for lessons learnt and way forward for areas concern.
- VIII. Operationalize the coordination framework on SDGs
- IX. Provide the secretariat services to the coordination of SDGs.
- X. Provide status reports and position papers to the different coordination structures
- XI. Consolidate reports from the five TWGs
- XII. Harness synergies with the other TWGs.
- XIII. Prepare quarterly reports for consideration by the National Taskforce
- XIV. Indicate the TWG membership and their roles and responsibilities.

PLANNING TWG

- I. Ensure that SDGs are integrated into National, Sector and LG plans
- II. Build planning capacity at National, Sector and LG levels
- III. Ensure that sectors and LGs are prioritizing SDGs in the implementation of their development plans.
- IV. Indicate the TWG membership and their roles and responsibilities.
- V. Harness synergies with the other TWGs.
- VI. Prepare quarterly reports for consideration by the National Taskforce