

# 2016 Aarhus Centres Annual Meeting

## SDGs and Aarhus Centres

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# Rio Declaration on Environment and Development

## June 1992, Rio de Janeiro

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**Principle 25** – linkages between peace, development and environmental protection

**Principle 10** – role of citizens and their right to have access to information, to participate in decision-making and to have access to justice

**Principle 20** – role of women

**Principle 21** – role of youth

# “Aarhus Convention” and “Sustainable Development” in the OSCE context

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- **The 1990 Charter of Paris for a New Europe**

Emphasized the “*significant role of a **well-informed society** in enabling the public and individuals to take initiatives to improve the environment. To this end, we commit ourselves to **promoting public awareness** and education on the environment as well as the **public reporting** of the environmental impact of policies, projects and programmes.*”

- **The 1999 Istanbul Charter for European Security**

the Heads of State or Government of the OSCE participating States, committed that “*in the spirit of the **1998 Århus Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters**, we will in particular seek to ensure access to information, public participation in decision making and access to justice in environmental matters.*”

# “Aarhus Convention” and “Sustainable Development” in the OSCE context

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- 2003 Maastricht Strategy Document for the Economic and Environmental Dimension

## *2.3 Ensuring sustainable development*

*“The OSCE is committed to the achievement of sustainable development, which aims at economic growth and poverty reduction and takes fully into account the impact of human activities on the environment. We support the global action foreseen in the **Rio Declaration on Environment and Development, Agenda 21**, the Monterrey Consensus, and the internationally agreed development goals, including those in the UN Millennium Declaration, and the Plan of Implementation adopted at the **2002 Johannesburg World Summit on Sustainable Development**.”*

- 2007 Madrid Ministerial Declaration on Environment and Security

# The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

## September 2015, New York

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17 Sustainable Development Goals and 169 targets  
to support 5 pillars

- People
- Planet
- Prosperity
- Peace
- Partnerships

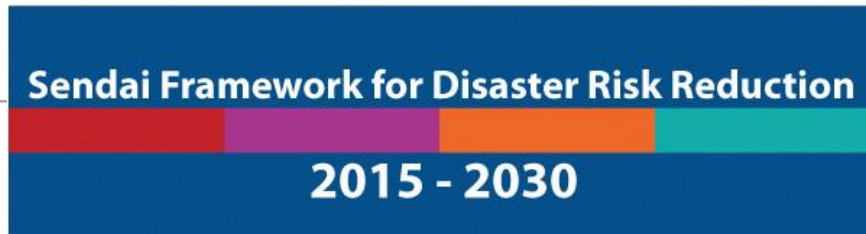
“There can be no sustainable development without peace and  
no peace without sustainable development”



# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS



# 2015/2016: other global processes



## The Seven Global Targets

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| 7 GLOBAL TARGETS | <b>Reduce</b>   | <b>Increase</b>  |
|                  | <b>Mortality/ global population</b><br>2020-2030 Average << 2005-2015 Average         | <b>Countries with national &amp; local DRR strategies</b><br>2020 Value >> 2015 Value  |
|                  | <b>Affected people/ global population</b><br>2020-2030 Average << 2005-2015 Average   | <b>International cooperation to developing countries</b><br>2030 Value >> 2015 Value   |
|                  | <b>Economic loss/ global GDP</b><br>2030 Ratio << 2015 Ratio                          | <b>Availability and access to multi-hazard early warning systems &amp; disaster risk information and assessments</b><br>2030 Values >> 2015 Values |
|                  | <b>Damage to critical infrastructure &amp; disruption of basic services</b><br>Values |  |
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# The 2030 Agenda and the Aarhus Centres

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- Support localization of the SDGs
- Reinforce ownership and raise awareness on the SDGs
- Support national/local SDG review processes
- Support implementation of environmental SDGs



# The SDGs and the Aarhus Centres

## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION



Ensure access to water and sanitation for all

7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY



Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES



Make cities inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

13 CLIMATE ACTION



Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts

14 LIFE BELOW WATER



Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources

15 LIFE ON LAND



Sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, halt and reverse land degradation, halt biodiversity loss

16 PEACE AND JUSTICE STRONG INSTITUTIONS



Promote just, peaceful and inclusive societies

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



Revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

# 2017 Outlook

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- Link to the SDGs – an SDG marker?
- Green economy road map
- Focus on women and youth
- Networking
- Sustainability
- Visibility