

MDGs Reports

The Annual Report presents the most comprehensive global assessment of progress to date, based on data provided by a large number of international organisations within and outside the United Nations system. The aggregate figures in the report provide an overview of regional progress under the eight goals and are a convenient way to track advances over time.

MDGs Gap Task Force Reports

This Annual Report is prepared by the MDG Gap Task Force, which was created by the UN Secretary-General to improve the monitoring of MDG 8. More than 20 UN agencies are represented in the Task Force, including the World Bank and the IMF, as well as the OECD and World Trade Organisation. UNDP and the UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs act as lead agencies in coordinating the work of the Task Force.

All these reports can be found on:

www.un.org/millenniumgoals/

Women and MDGs

The 58th session of the Commission on the Status of Women will take place at United Nations Headquarters in New York from 10 - 21 March 2014.

Representatives of Member States, UN entities, and ECOSOC-accredited non-governmental organisations (NGOs) from all regions of the world attend the session. The priority theme is: Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls

See more at:

http://www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw58_2014#sthash.pEZf5X5u.dpuf

UN Women

UN Women is one of a number of United Nations agencies charged with supporting countries in moving forward on the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

Its position paper on post-2015 development agenda can be found at

<http://www.unwomen.org/~media/F4AA23E30D8248B09A3E61283807A677.ashx>

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The aims of NIWEP are to work for equality for women by reflecting the position of women in Northern Ireland and ensuring it is represented in national and international standards and mechanism and holding government accountable for working towards equality through meeting national and international standards.

UN Women UK National Committee Northern Ireland Branch supports the work of UN Women in its mission for gender equality and the empowerment of women.



Background

In September 2000, building upon a decade of major United Nations conferences and summits, world leaders came together at United Nations Headquarters in New York to adopt the United Nations Millennium Declaration, committing their nations to a new global partnership to reduce extreme poverty and setting out a series of time-bound targets, with a 2015 deadline, known as the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

What are the MDGs?

The 8 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) form a blueprint agreed to by all the world's countries and all the world's leading development institutions. The MDGs are:

1. Eradicate Extreme poverty and hunger
2. Achieve Universal Primary Education
3. Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women
4. Reduce Child Mortality
5. Improve Maternal Health
6. Compact HIV/AIDS, Malaria and other diseases
7. Ensure Environmental Sustainability
8. Global Partnership for Development



Timeline of Key Actions

2002: The UN Millennium Campaign started and the Millennium Project was commissioned by the UN Secretary-General (SG) to develop a concrete action plan for the world to achieve the MDGs.

2005: The Independent Advisory Body presented its final recommendations to the SG. The World Summit, 14-16 Sept 2005, held at the UN brought together more than 170 Heads of State and Government.

2008: Governments, businesses and civil society groups announced new commitments to meet the MDGs, at a high-level event, at the UN on 25 Sept.

2010: The MDG Summit concluded with the adoption of a Global Action Plan.

2013: 25 Sept event, to facilitate achievement of MDGs. Member States adopted a short outcome document, which highlights priority measures towards achieving the MDGs and provides a road-map for the post-2015 development agenda.