



The localisation of the SDGs in Europe: local and regional indicators and multilevel governance

Report launch

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Time: 14.30 – 16.00 CET

Venue: [Webex meeting - click here to join](#)

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Objective of the event

The Joint Research Centre (JRC) presents of three methodological reports on the localisation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Europe. Under the coordination of the JRC, three international experts have elaborated specific analysis, based on the experiences of European local and regional governments that use monitoring as a tool to localise the SDGs and the 2030 Agenda. The three reports provide evidence and insights on different elements and scales of these first-generation voluntary reviews.

- The first report explores the use of local indicators in European Voluntary Local Reviews between 2016 and early 2021.
- The second report proposes a set of regional indicators for the monitoring of the SDGs in Europe, based on the analysis of three subnational case studies.
- The third report focuses on the SDG localisation and multi-level governance, starting from lessons from the Basque Country to elaborate recommendations and insights which could contribute to the creation of SDGs ecosystems in other countries.

The main findings of the reports will be presented and discussed during the event, with the goal to identify additional methodological gaps and ways forward.

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Agenda

5' Welcome and introduction

Alessandro Rainoldi, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

30' Presentation of the three reports

[European SDG Voluntary Local Reviews: A comparative analysis of local indicators and data](#)

Andrea Ciambra, EC expert, Laboratory of Cartographic Engineering, University of A Coruña

[Regional indicators for the Sustainable Development Goals. An analysis based on the cases of the Basque Country, Navarre and Flanders](#)

Ainhoa Gea Aranoa, EC expert, ADOS Sostenibilidad y Clima

[SDG localisation and multi-level governance: lessons from the Basque Country](#)

Andoni Hidalgo Simón, EC expert, Managing Director, Euroiker

25' Feedback from international experts

Geir Graff, P30 / Innovation Strategist, Centre for innovation and learning, Asker Kommune

Inmaculada Herrador, Director of the Technical Office, Fundación "Estrategias"

Agnieszka Widuto, European Parliamentary Research Service

Reactions from the authors

25' Open debate

At the beginning of the session, the moderation will ask participants to book their interventions via chat

5' Conclusions

Markku Markkula, Vice-President EU Committee of the Regions; Chair Espoo City Board; President Helsinki Region (Chair of the Board)

Alessandro Rainoldi, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Moderator: Alice Siragusa, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

Background of the URBAN2030 – II project

The project URBAN2030 – II builds on the knowledge and experience gained in the preparation of the [European Handbook for SDG Voluntary Local Reviews](#)¹ and the URBAN2030 project developed with the support of DG REGIO (2018 – 2020). The Project aims at fostering the achievement of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in European cities and regions providing knowledge and technical support for the designing and implementing SDG Voluntary Local Reviews. The project has the ambition to upscale efforts, working approaches and solutions through the setup of several Pilot cities and sub-national case studies.

The JRC has been working since October 2020 with a group of European cities to validate the proposed methodology: Bratislava, Oulu, Porto, Reggio Emilia, Seville, Valencia, Turku and Helsinki. Knowledge and insight from these works will feed the second edition of the European Handbook, which is planned for publication in 2022. This edition of the European Handbook will include an update on the state of the art on local reviews, a consolidated framework indicator set and policy recommendations on viable strategies for the future.

¹ The [European Handbook for SDG Voluntary Local Reviews](#) builds upon the knowledge developed in the framework of the [Knowledge Centre for Territorial Policies](#) and its Community of Practice – CITIES.



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