

Issue 85 | January 18, 2013 | Focus on Post-2015 MDG Goals, Targets and Indicators

The target date for the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) is 2015. A process has begun to review options for the future sustainable development framework that will replace the existing MDGs. The WHO/UNICEF Joint Monitoring Programme for Water Supply and Sanitation is the formal instrument to measure MDG 7 target C: to halve, by 2015, the proportion of people without sustainable access to safe drinking water and basic sanitation. As part of its 2010–2015 strategy, the JMP will serve as the platform for the development of proposals for post-2015 goals, targets, and indicators. This issue contains working group reports on the post-2015 WASH agenda, presentations, and links to online discussions about what WASH goals, targets, and indicators should be adopted after 2015.

DISCUSSIONS/PRESENTATIONS

- **Act Now! Let's Get Handwashing and WASH into the Post-2015 Millennium Development Goals Plan**, Jan 2013. K Carroll, FHI 360. ([Blog post](#))

The Global Public-Private Partnership for Handwashing (PPPHW) encourages you to take a few simple steps in January and February to advocate for hand washing and hygiene, along with broader WASH goals, to be included in the post-2015 plan.

- **Fecal Matters: Developing the Post-2015 Sanitation Agenda Even as the MDGs Remain Unmet**, Nov 2012. E Perez, Water and Sanitation Program. ([Blog post](#))

A major challenge for this working group was to come up with new goals and targets that were aspirational and realistic—given that the relatively modest MDG sanitation target (to cut in half the number of people without access to improved sanitation) is one of the most lagging MDGs and is not likely to be met by 2015 at the global level. Nor has it been met in the majority of countries in sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia, and East Asia.

- **Identifying Targets and Indicators for Post-2015 Monitoring in the Context of a Plausible Global Goal**, 2012. G Hutton, World Health Organization.

[\(Presentation\)](#)

This presentation describes the process to propose a menu of improved global WASH targets with corresponding indicators to set the direction of WASH sector development after 2015.

- **Post-2015 MDG Monitoring: Indicators and Targets for Sanitation.** D Saywell. [\(Video\)](#)

The presentation briefly presents the MDG goals and identifies the targets and indicators for post-2015 monitoring in the context of plausible global goals. The strengths and weaknesses of the currently used targets and indicators are analyzed.

POST-2015 WATER THEMATIC CONSULTATION. [\(Link\)](#)

The aim of this water consultation is to facilitate voices from a broad range of stakeholders to build consensus around key future challenges in water in the post-2015 development agenda. Starting January 14, 2013, and proceeding for the next five weeks, the three thematic sub-consultations below will be holding in-depth e-discussions.

JOINT MONITORING PROGRAMME FOR WATER SUPPLY & SANITATION - This site serves as a the central point for the four Water Supply and Sanitation working groups: water; sanitation; hygiene; and equity and non-discrimination.

- **Goals, Targets, Indicators: Post-2015 Global Monitoring.** [\(Website\)](#)
This site details the JMP Water Supply and Sanitation platform and strategy and provides information on country collaborations, water quality task forces, and post-2015 monitoring.
- **Report of the First Consultation on Post-2015 Monitoring of Drinking-Water and Sanitation Berlin, 3-5 May 2011.** [\(Link\)](#)
This Consultation developed a roadmap and for its implementation four working groups were established and launched in January 2012. Information on the working groups and their reports are: | [Water](#) | [Sanitation](#) | [Hygiene](#) | [Equity and non-discrimination](#) |
- **Briefing Note – Global Platform for the Formulation of Post-2015 Goals, Targets and Indicators.** [\(Full text, pdf\)](#)
A process of reflection has started to review options for the future sustainable development framework that will replace the existing MDGs.
- **Proposal for Consolidated Drinking Water, Sanitation and Hygiene Targets, Indicators and Definitions.** [\(Draft available for review\)](#) [\(Link to add or read comments\)](#)
This draft is the compiled work in progress of the post-2015 processes.
- **Second WHO/UNICEF Consultation on the Formulation of Post-2015 Global WASH Goals, Targets and Indicators, The Hague, The Netherlands, 3-5**

December 2012. ([Link](#))

Presentations and conclusions from the meeting.

OTHER USEFUL RESOURCES

- **Health Indicators of Sustainable Water: Initial Findings from a WHO Expert Consultation: 17-18 May 2012.** World Health Organization. ([Full text, pdf](#))
Measurement of access to safe and climate resilient drinking-water resources, as well as sanitation, is increasingly critical in an era of continued population growth and climate change. Ensuring access to safe, resilient, and sustainable water and sanitation will accelerate attainment of multiple environment and health-related goals for sustainable development.
- **Realizing the Future We Want for All: Report to the Secretary-General, 2012.** UN Task Team on the Post-2015 Development Agenda, 2012. ([Full text, pdf](#))
The central challenge of the post-2015 UN development agenda is to ensure that globalization becomes a positive force for all the worlds' peoples of present and future generations. Globalization offers great opportunities, but its benefits are at present very unevenly shared.

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