

Agenda 2030 and Sustainable development Goals (SDGs) - Italy

Five years after the adoption of the 2030 Agenda by the 193 member countries of the United Nations, including Italy, there is a growing awareness worldwide of the need for an integrated approach to address complex economic, social, environmental and institutional challenges in order to shift to a sustainable development model. This awareness on the part of governments, businesses, civil society and individual citizens, especially young people, is emerging against an international backdrop of growing tensions and undeniable difficulties in finding multilateral solutions to global problems.

Some of the most authoritative reports and document on sustainability and related challenges listed below reveal Italy's many contradictions. On the one hand, there have been alarming delays and the lack of a clear implementation strategy for the 2030 Agenda. On the other, encouraging signs have emerged, such as the new government's commitment to include the principle of sustainable development in the Constitution, to have an Urban Agenda for sustainable development, and to orient policies towards the green economy, the circular economy and combating forms of inequality, including gender-based ones.

- **ASviS Report 2019 – Italy and the Sustainable Development Goals:** the Report of the Italian Alliance for Sustainable Development (ASviS), now in its fourth edition, represents a unique tool to analyse the progress of the country towards the achievement of the 17 Objectives of the Agenda 2030, and identify the areas in which action is needed to ensure the economic, social and environmental sustainability of the development model. Only 11 years after the deadline set by the United Nations, it is clear the necessity to significantly transform and adjust public, national and European policies, corporate strategies and individual behaviour.
- **National Sustainable Development Strategy – Italy:** In Italy, the definition of a strategic framework is crucial to lay the foundations for a sustainable future and adjust the undertaken national reform route in a long-term perspective. To this aim, Italy is currently engaged in gearing the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to the economic, social and environmental planning, by drafting the National Sustainable Development Strategy 2017/2030 (NSDS). Meanwhile, the European Union is working to define a common framework to address and reflect the Agenda 2030 challenges. Once defined, the EU framework for SDGs will represent a main reference for Member States in setting their final strategic objectives. The NSDS is an update of the former Environmental Action Strategy for Sustainable Development in Italy 2002/2010 and a first step towards a holistic policy framework, widened to include social and economic dimensions, in line with the 2030 Agenda.
- **Per un'Italia sostenibile: l'SDSN Italia SDGs City Index 2018:** per contribuire al complesso disegno dell'Agenda 2030, FEEM ha sviluppato l'SDSN Italia SDGs City Index, un indicatore composito riferito alle città italiane; uno strumento che fornisce il grado di implementazione degli SDGs nei comuni-capoluogo di provincia del nostro Paese. Ciò, al fine di aiutare le comunità locali ad affrontare le sfide ancora aperte che interessano le singole città, e ad elaborare un database consolidato di indicatori sullo sviluppo. Molto è stato fatto nei tre anni dall'adozione dell'Agenda 2030, ma molto rimane ancora da fare. Questo Rapporto vuole essere un punto di partenza e di stimolo per una riflessione sul ruolo delle città verso il raggiungimento di una piena sostenibilità.
- **Rapporto ISTAT 2020 – SDG 11:** L'Istat è chiamato dalla Commissione statistica delle Nazioni Unite a svolgere un ruolo attivo di coordinamento nazionale nella produzione degli indicatori per la misurazione dello sviluppo sostenibile e il monitoraggio dei suoi obiettivi. Periodicamente, quindi, l'Istituto presenta un aggiornamento e un ampliamento delle disaggregazioni degli indicatori utili alla misurazione dello sviluppo sostenibile e al monitoraggio dei suoi obiettivi. Il rapporto relativo all'SDG 11 presenta dati aggiornati relativi all'implementazione dello stesso e alla situazione attuale sia a livello nazionale che regionale.