



Regional preparatory workshop for the national reviews and local reviews



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Introduction

- Malawi will be reporting on the VNR for the second time
- Previous SDG reports
 - SDG Baseline report
 - SDG Annual Review (2018)



Malawi 2022 VNR

- Malawi has expressed interest to participate in the 2022 HLPF and make its presentation
- Identified 5 SDGs namely: SDGs 4, 5, 14, 15 and 17 for countries to prioritize.
- Malawi will prioritize these 5 SDGs but will also assess the progress of the rest of the SDGs
- Data collection from different stakeholders is underway: Stakeholder consultations and Rapid assessments



Reflection of the VNR Processes

- Uniqueness & Inclusiveness
 - Stories and explanations - Narratives to the figures
 - Filling of data gaps
 - Voices of different groups
- Leveraging on the VNR tools and processes to take stock and assess progress
 - Consolidation of efforts thereby not undermining progress
 - Pooling Financial resources
 - Comprehensiveness
- The VNR provides an opportunity for Malawi to reflect on **key action needed to achieve Agenda 2030 which in line with MIP-1 implementation period**



Challenges and Solutions

Data gaps on some indicators:

- Utilise primary data collection for goals whose indicators don't have data
- Administrative data- Working with NSO to enhance quality of administrative data
- Institutionalising data collection through a system we are developing- Harmonised government wide M&E system



Challenges and Solutions

Low stakeholder participation:

- Stakeholder mapping
- Mass sensitization of different stakeholders on their roles including using platforms such as social media, TV, community radios, local and religious leaders



Challenges and Solutions

Limited Financing of the VNR:

- Stakeholder involvement
- Engaging stakeholders using their affiliations
- Adoption of cost effective strategies for consultations in light of COVID19



Lessons Learnt

Malawi held a VNR reflective workshop, and a report was developed

- Involvement of all sectors : interrelatedness of sectors and ensures consolidation of efforts
- Consultation and inclusivity to go beyond VNR (Implementation)
- Alignment of the operations to the SDGs and not only the plans
- Institutionalization of data collection processes
- Dissemination to be done widely (different products produced) at different levels for both upward and downward accountability
- Implementation Plan to be developed to follow through the findings



- Thank you

