

# Sustainable Development Goals in European Agenda (Part 2/2)

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## III.1. Overview of the European Agenda for Sustainable Development

The European Union and the UN are natural partners in the efforts to shape a more sustainable, safer and better world for all. To that end, the EU supports effective multilateralism and a rules-based international order with the UN at its core.



### FINANCING GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT AFTER 2015: Illustrations of Key EU Contributions

#### A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT FINANCE

- 1 The EU will help developing countries to mobilise more **domestic resources**, including by investing € 42 billion in a new flagship programme.
- 2 The EU will leverage more development funding through **blending**, by investing up to € 8 billion to help mobilise over € 100 billion by 2020.
- 3 The EU and its Member States continue to be the world's largest provider of **Official Development Assistance (ODA)** with € 58.2 billion in 2014.

#### AN INTEGRATED APPROACH TO KEY SECTORS

- 4 **Environment and Climate** – EU leads the efforts for a sustainable world
- 5 **Trade** – EU to remain the world's most open market, importing € 860 billion annually from developing countries
- 6 **Science, technology and innovation** – EU's € 77 billion research and innovation programme also open for participation from developing countries
- 7 **Remittances** – EU will contribute to reducing remittance costs to free up more funds for development
- 8 **Sustainable agriculture and nutrition** – EU helps to lift 500 million people in developing countries out of hunger and malnutrition by 2030
- 9 **Energy** – EU helps to lift 500 million people out of energy poverty by 2030
- 10 **Human development** – EU champions health, education and harnessing the potential of well-managed migration
- 11 **Gender** – EU places women at the centre of development cooperation
- 12 **Peaceful societies** – EU provides support to improve governance and to enable people to live safe, secure lives

#### LEAST DEVELOPED COUNTRIES - EU PUTTING THE FOCUS ON THOSE MOST IN NEED



## III.2. Key initiatives and action plans for implementing the SDGs in Europe

- Planet and prosperity – European Green Deal
- People and prosperity – an economy that works for people and a Europe fit for the digital age
- People and peace – promoting our European way of life and a new push for European democracy
- Partnership – a stronger Europe in the world

Source: European Union's Voluntary Review

### III.3. The role of various European institutions and stakeholders in implementing the SDGs

- The EU with its Member States, already the world's largest donor of development aid, pledged to increase their collective Official Development Assistance (ODA) and achieve 0.7% of EU Gross National Income (GNI) within the timeframe of the 2030 Agenda.
- The Role of European Parliaments in the Implementation of the 2030 Agenda and the SDGs.
- Read more: Europe's approach to implementing the Sustainable Development Goals - By Ingeborg Niestroy, Elisabeth Hege, Elizabeth Dirth and Ruben Zondervan.



# IV. SDGs in Practice: Case Studies from European Countries

IV.1. Overview of the efforts and progress of European countries in implementing the SDGs

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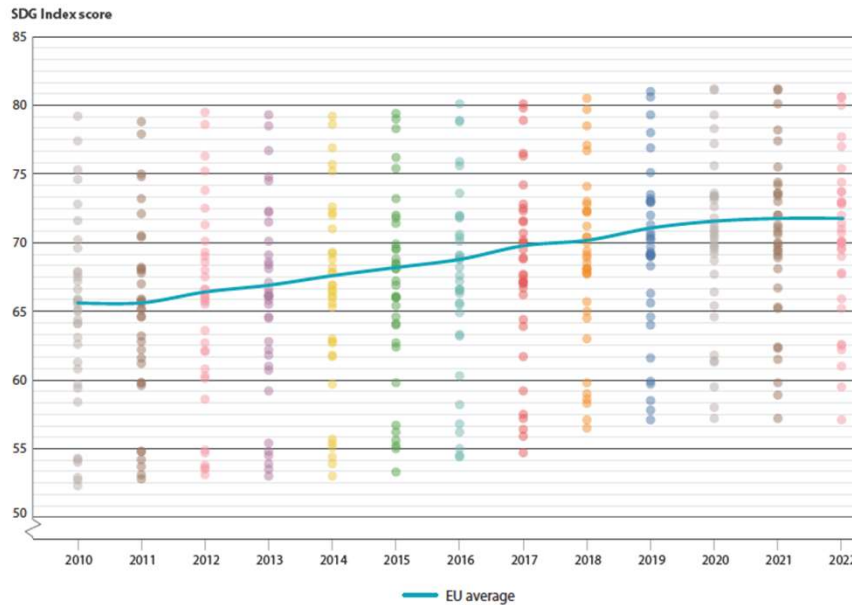
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# IV.1. Overview of the efforts and progress of European countries in implementing the SDGs

Figure 1 | Performance on the SDG Index: EU average and performance across European countries, 2010-2022



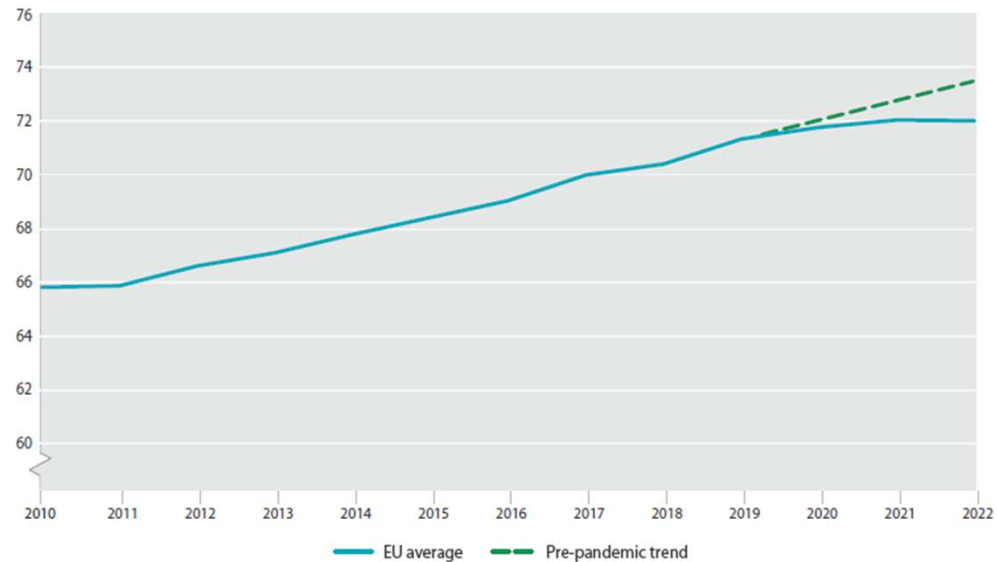
Note: The colored dots correspond to the average SDG Index scores of the 34 countries included in this year's Europe Sustainable Development Report.  
Source: Authors

Source: European Elections, Europe's Future and the Sustainable Development Goals.  
Europe Sustainable Development Report 2023/2024



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Figure 3 | SDG Progress in the EU and pre-pandemic trend



Note: The pre-pandemic trend projection is extrapolated from the 2015–2019 SDG Index growth rate.  
Source: Authors

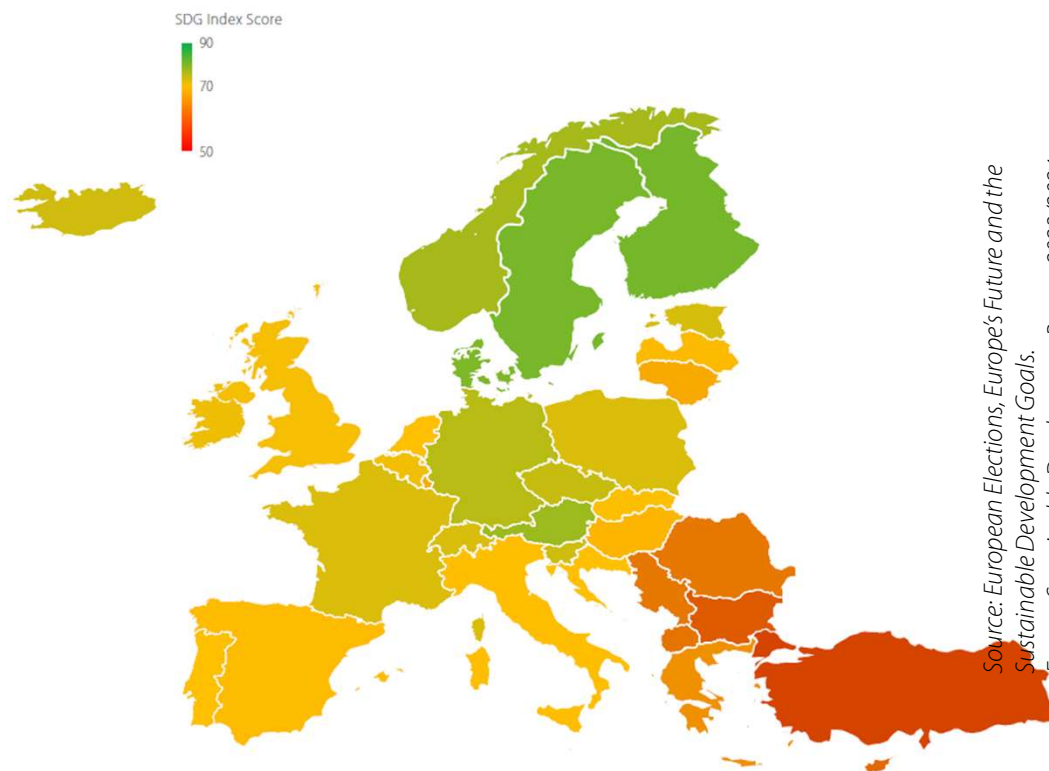
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Figure 4 | The 2023/24 SDG Index Scores and Rankings by country

LNOB Index Rank	Country	LNOB Index Score			
1	Norway	87.2	18	Poland	75.0
2	Iceland	86.1	19	Spain	74.2
3	Finland	85.6	20	Slovak Republic	73.8
4	Denmark	84.2	21	Estonia	72.1
5	Sweden	83.0	22	Portugal	71.2
6	Belgium	81.6	23	United Kingdom	70.5
7	Ireland	81.1	24	Lithuania	69.8
8	Netherlands	80.7	25	Italy	69.4
9	Austria	79.9	26	Latvia	68.6
10	Slovenia	79.3	27	Hungary	67.3
11	Luxembourg	78.5	28	Cyprus	67.2
12	Germany	78.2	29	Serbia	64.1
13	Malta	77.5	30	Greece	62.2
14	France	76.1	31	Romania	59.2
15	Switzerland	76.0	32	North Macedonia	57.7
16	Croatia	75.2	33	Bulgaria	56.0
17	Czechia	75.1	34	Türkiye	42.2
				<b>European Union</b>	<b>74.5</b>

Source: Authors



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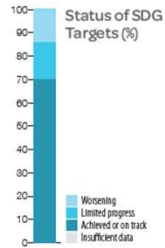
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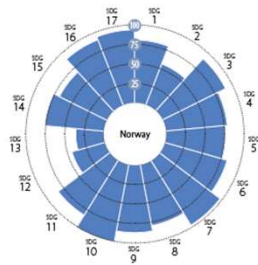
### Overall Performance

Index Rank **5** /34

Index Score **77.0**



### Performance by SDG



### SDG Dashboards and Trends



Major challenges Significant challenges Challenges remain SDG achieved Information unavailable  
Decreasing Stagnating Moderately improving On track or maintaining SDG achievement Information unavailable

Notes: The full title of Goal 2 'Zero Hunger' is 'End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture'.  
The full title of each SDG is available at: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/topics/sustainabledevelopmentgoals>  
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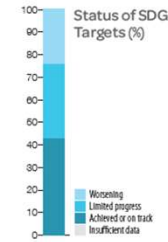
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Candidate Countries

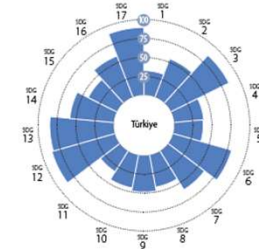
### Overall Performance

Index Rank **34** /34

Index Score **57.1**



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## IV.2. Case studies of successful and innovative initiatives for SDG implementation



  
SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS FUND

HANOI

# Case Study

### Taking a value chain approach towards local economic development and women's economic empowerment in Vietnam



**SDGs addressed**

- 1 NO POVERTY
- 5 GENDER EQUALITY
- 8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
- 10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

This case study is based on lessons from the joint programme, “Vietnam: Green production and trade to increase income and employment opportunities for the rural poor.” [Read more](#)

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## IV.2. Case studies of successful and innovative initiatives for SDG implementation



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# Case Study

## A taste for transformation in Timor-Leste



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### SDGs addressed

<b>2</b> ZERO HUNGER 	<b>3</b> GOOD HEALTH 
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This case study is based on lessons from the joint programme “Promoting sustainable food and nutrition security in Timor-Leste” [Read more](#)

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# V. Challenges and Opportunities for SDG Implementation in Europe

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## V. Challenges and Opportunities for SDG Implementation in Europe

Read:

Sustainable Development Goals in the EU and the Challenges in Their Implementation.

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