

## An aspiration with a national context for sustainable development

Bulgaria, as one of the 193 member countries of the UN, approved the document on 25.09.2015 in New York time at the summits of sustainable development within the framework of the UN.

The document entitled "To transform our world", a program for sustainable development until 2030, has a formulation of 17 goals for sustainable development. For each goal there are also sub-goals, a total of 169. The emphasis in the program is the most acute problems of the countries related to overcoming extreme poverty, hunger, diseases, inequalities and others. The main emphasis is also on environmental protection, achieving sustainable economic development and consumption. Sustainability is a "Trademark of Europe" and we, Bulgaria, as a member of the EU, work actively towards the realization of the goals, which occupy a central place in the program of the European Commission. The work starts from the level closest to the citizens in order to effectively reform our economy and society. A multilateral platform provides an opportunity for experts from Bulgaria and other EU members to meet and exchange knowledge and practices. We work in close cooperation and as a team. Our country emphasizes and seeks ways of growth, innovation, competitiveness, attractive jobs. Transparency and monitoring are fundamental principles, they aim to involve all citizens and invite them to make suggestions and ideas for effective action in relation to the Sustainable Development Goals. The goals and associated targets are global, universally applicable, and interrelated. Their achievement is our national priority.

Bulgaria is an active participant in the global initiative "Grand Partnership for Open Government". To communicate with the interested groups, the Bulgarian government maintains an electronic portal for public consultations, which according to the law on normative acts is a central, public web-based information system ensuring the publication of projects and normative acts for public consultations prepared by an executive authority body or by a local authority self-management.

National Development Program:

Bulgaria 2020 – main priorities:

1. Improving access and increasing the quality of education and training and the qualitative characteristics of the workforce.
2. Reducing poverty and promoting the social characteristics of the workforce.
3. Achieving sustainable integrated real development and utilization of local potential.
4. Development of the agricultural sector to ensure food security and to produce products with high added value with sustainable management of natural resources.
5. Support of innovation and investment activities to increase the competitiveness of the economy.
6. Strengthening the institutional environment to increase resource efficiency and public services for citizens and businesses.
7. Energy security and increasing resource efficiency.
8. Improving transport connectivity and access to markets.



Interaction of the UN Sustainable Development Goals with the National Development Programme:

For the period up to 2030, we aim to build on what has been achieved, to which the National Development Program BULGARIA 2030 is aimed. The coherence between the national development vision within the framework of the UN Agenda 2030 is reflected in the relationship between the UN Sustainable Development Goals and the key goals of the National Development Program of Bulgaria.

<https://www.nextgeneration.bg/upload/39/npvu-en-08022021.pdf>

