

ASIA-PACIFIC PARLIAMENTARY FORUM (APPF)

24TH ANNUAL MEETING

RESOLUTION APPF24/RES.05

THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

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The 24th Annual Meeting of the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum;

Acknowledging that the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) meant a global commitment that succeeded in putting all countries and regions in movement and, despite their uneven progress, they managed to improve the life conditions of people around the world in different areas;

Conscious of the fact that the international community as well as the Asia Pacific countries have learnt from the MDG experience and have carried out a broad and intense process of participation with the civil society and all the parties interested to create an agenda of multidimensional development focused on people, which would meet those goals unattained by the MDGs, and go beyond, in order to direct the world through sustainable pathways;

Acknowledging the great participation of Heads of State and High Representatives at the United Nations Headquarters in September 2015 during the World Summit that adopted the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development focused on the universal, integrated and indivisible 17 goals and 169 targets that involved developed and developing countries, emphasizing the eradication of poverty, the combating of inequalities and the creation of sustainable growth;

Stressing this Agenda's national ownership where every country has the primary responsibility to properly implement the Agenda, adapting it to the different national realities, capabilities and priorities, but at the same time there is a world commitment to revitalize the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development where all States and other interested parties are involved with the aim of multiplying efforts and resources to help developing countries, especially those less developed, Small Island Developing States and Land-Locked Developing States to implement the Agenda;

Bearing in mind the contribution made by members of Parliament in producing the Agenda during the whole participatory process, as has been acknowledged by the Resolution of the United Nations General Assembly called "Transforming Our World: 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development", which originated the Quito Communiqué adopted by the 128th Assembly of the Inter Parliamentary Union held in March 2013, and the Hanoi Declaration "The Sustainable Development Goals: Turning Words into Action," adopted by the 132nd Assembly of the Inter Parliamentary Union held in April 2015;

Remembering in particular the previous resolutions adopted by the Asia Pacific Parliamentary Forum (APPF) in relation to compliance with the MDGs and to parliamentary input in the elaboration of a post-2015 agenda focused on sustainable development, particularly the 22nd and 20th Annual Meetings;

RESOLVES TO:

1. **Urge** APPF Member States to fully adopt the 2030 sustainability ideal, and lead the global momentum to implement it by adopting sustainable development national strategies that are able to adapt the universal goals to their own realities, allow wide-range involvement and have national parliaments play a critical role;
2. **Exhort** the relevant authorities to consider the necessary coherence among the covenants agreed or to be agreed in matters related to climate change, disaster reduction, sustainable development and development finance, among others, so that they can efficiently work as an integral component of the 2030 Agenda and strengthen one another to meet all the universal goals it proposes;
3. **Spur** APPF Member States to perform their duties on matters related to legislation, supervision and budgeting having in mind the purpose of influencing the full and integral implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals in their respective nations;
4. **Recommend** APPF Member States to adopt, in the same line, all necessary measures, among them the implementation of a work commission or group as a pivotal point in relation to the 2030 Agenda, so as to play an active role in the follow-up on the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals;
5. **Encourage** the relevant authorities to advance in the strengthening of statistical capacities, including the production of databases broken down into diverse pertinent characteristics that may allow progress made on the 2030 Agenda to be properly

measured, thereby increasing cooperation, joint efforts and the exchange of experiences and knowledge among the Asia Pacific countries;

6. **Reiterate** the call to the APPF developed countries, considering the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development and above all the principle of shared responsibilities, to fully implement their official development assistance commitments to help the development of the developing countries and those less developed, with special attention to reducing development disparities among the countries of the Asia-Pacific region;
7. **Request** APPF Member States to promote the development of a global indicator framework for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals to be applied and implemented during 2016, which can ensure that the 2030 Agenda will have a universal reference base for its follow-up, so as to guide regional and national accountability processes;
8. **Urge** all APPF Member States to promote the Sustainable Development Goals with their citizens, accounting for progress made in the implementation of those goals.