



The Third Voluntary National Review and the Lao PDR Smooth Transition Strategy for LDC Graduation (2022-2026 with a Vision to 2030) and Beyond

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SDG Progress in Lao PDR



2015

2016

2017

2018

2019

2020

2021

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ວາລະປີ 2030 ເພື່ອ
ການແບບຍືນຍົງ
ພັດທະນາ



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ກ່ຽວຂ້ອງແລະ ບັນດາ
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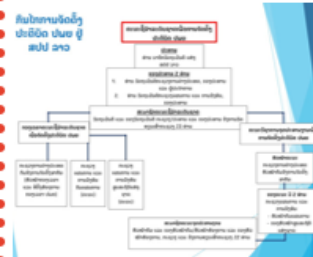
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ສື່ສານ, ໂຄສະນາ ແລະ ເຜີຍແຜ່;
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ສປປ ລາວ



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ແລະ ກົນໄກເພື່ອ
ເຊື່ອມສານ ປພຍ



ບົດລາຍງານແຫ່ງຊາດ
ແບບສະໝັກໃຈ (VNR)
ສະບັບທຳອິດ ຂອງ ສປປ
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ກອງປະຊຸມທົບທວນຄືນຮອບ
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ເລີ່ມຂະບວນການ VNR2



Previous VNRs Submission



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW

ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC


VOLUNTARY NATIONAL REVIEW

ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT 2021



Content of Previous VNRs



1 st VNR (2018)	2 nd VNR (2021)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Localization process - Descriptive report - No formal agreement on indicators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Trend Analysis - In-depth Analysis of selected Nine priorities goals  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Formal agreement on SDG indicators and integration - Available baseline and updated data for majority of indicators - National Strategy priorities for SDG achievements

VNR was developed based on the principle of **'Leaving No One Behind'**
Through Stakeholder Engagement and Consultation



Lao People's Democratic Republic



Voluntary National Reviews	HLPF 2021	HLPF 2018	Documer Report
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Lao Peoples Democratic Republic

Voluntary National Review 2024

Voluntary National Review 2021

Video Presentation at the HLPF 2021 Lao PDR is at an important stage of its national development planning Development Plan (NSEDP 2016-2020) and the development of the 9th NSEDP 2021-2025, which would gui challenges associated with COVID-19 response and...

Voluntary National Review 2018

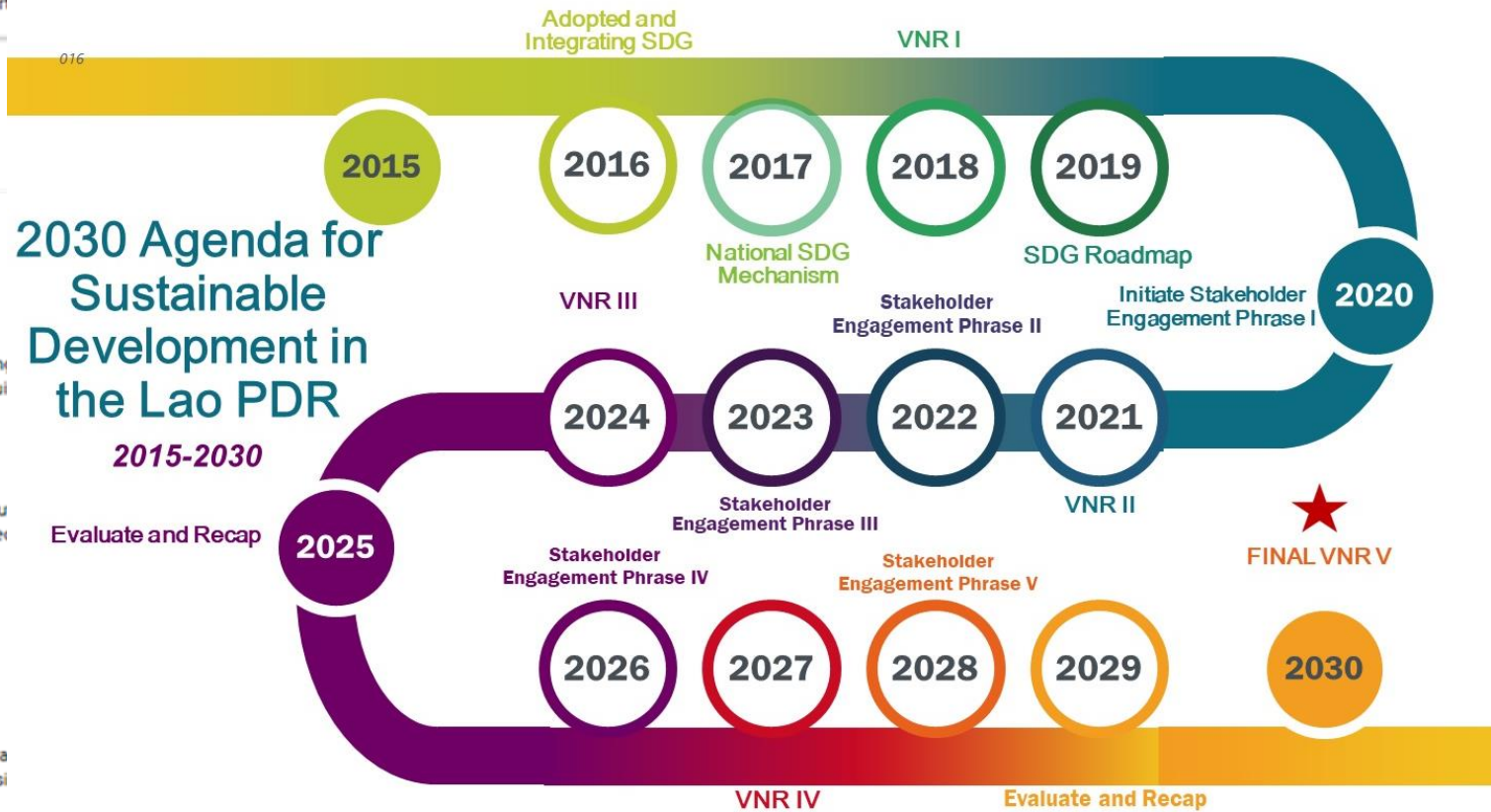
Main Message of the Voluntary National Review (VNR) of Lao PDR Introduction Strategically located in Sou mountainous country with a population of around 6.5 million. With a young population, Lao PDR is projecter Developed Country (LDC) status. The...

Documents & Reports

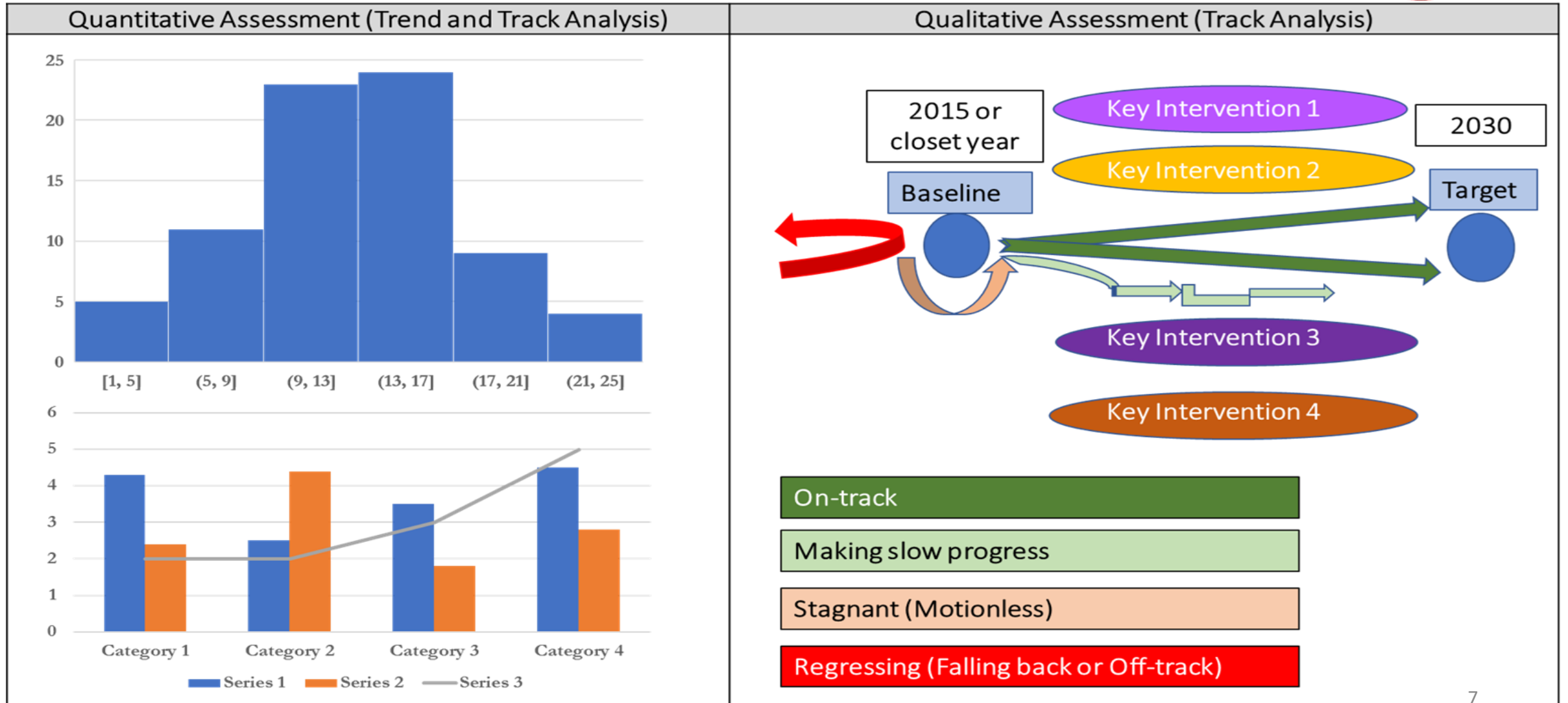
National Reports Report Topics covered Process National report - Lao PDR Rio+20;

Partnerships & Commitments

The below is a listing of all partnership initiatives and voluntary commitments where Lao People's Democra Clean Air Coalition (CCAC) The best opportunity to slow the rate of near-term warming globally and in sensi



Content of Third VNR





No	Key selected SDGs for VNR 3	From VNR 2	New addition for VNR 3
1	SDG 1 – No Poverty	✓	
2	SDG 2 – Zero Hunger	✓	
3	SDG 3 – Good Health and Well-Being	✓	
4	SDG 4 – Quality Education	✓	
5	SDG 5 – Gender Equality	✓	
6	SDG 7 – Affordable and Clean Energy		✓
7	SDG 8 – Decent Work and Economic Growth	✓	
8	SDG 9 – Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure		✓
9	SDG 13 – Climate Actions	✓	
10	SDG 17 – Partnerships for the Goals	✓	
11	SDG 18 – UXO and Mine Actions	✓	

The 2024 High Level Political Forum (HLPF) will be held under the theme:

"Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: the effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions".

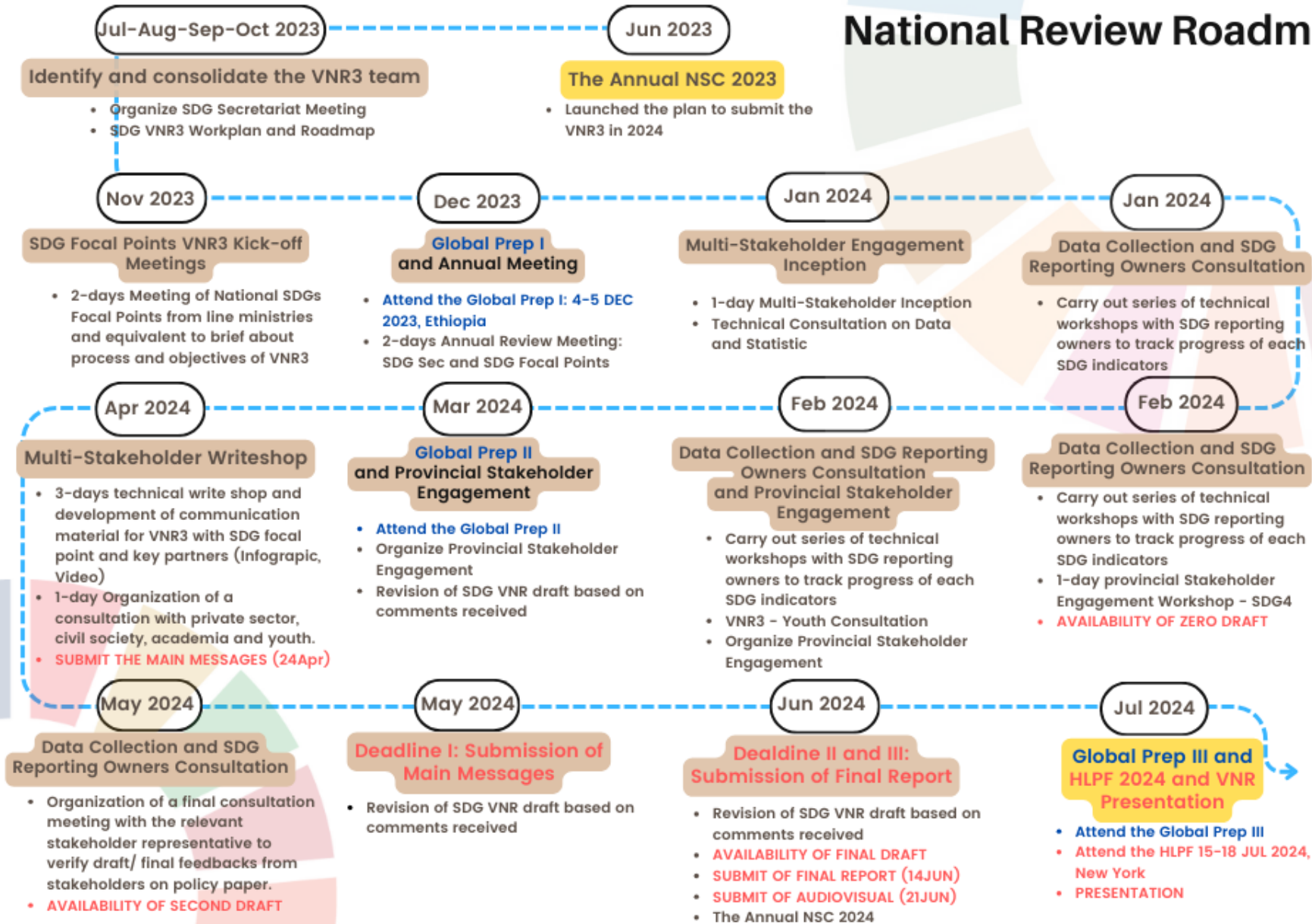
- It will carry out an in-dept review of:
- SDG 1 (*no poverty*)
 - SDG 2 (*zero hunger*)
 - SDG 13 (*climate action*)
 - SDG 16 (*peace, justice, and strong Institutions*)
 - SDG 17 (*partnership for the goals*)

Cluster of 11 SDGs around six key transitions for accelerating the achievement of the SDGs by the UN Secretary General



Six key transitions	Relevant selected key SDGs	Key SDG Reporting Owners working with the nation SDG secretariat to organise relevant consultations
1. Energy	7 (Affordable and Clean Energy)	Ministry of Energy and Mine
2. Biodiversity and Nature	13 (Climate Actions)	Ministry of Natural Resource and Environment
3. Education	4 (Quality Education)	Ministry of Education and Sports
4. Social Protection and Jobs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 (No Poverty) • 2 (Zero Hunger) • 3 (Good Health and Well-Being) • 5 (Gender Equality) • 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth) • 18 (UXO and Mine Actions) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry • Ministry of Health • Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare • Ministry of Foreign Affairs • Lao Women's Union
5. Food Systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 (No Poverty) • 2 (Zero Hunger) • 3 (Good health and Well-Being) • 13 (Climate Actions) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry • Ministry of Health • Ministry of Natural Resource and Environment
6. Digital Public Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure) • 17 (Partnerships for the Goals) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministry of Industry and Commerce • Ministry of Planning and Investment

Lao PDR's 3rd Voluntary National Review Roadmap





Lao PDR's Smooth Transition Strategy for LDC Graduation

Context

- **2021 Triennial Review of the UN Committee for Development Policy (CDP)** declared Lao PDR, together with Bangladesh and Nepal, eligible for LDC graduation with an extended 5-year preparatory period until 2026
- **The development of the STS answers the UN General Assembly's call** to thoroughly prepare for graduation in a changing international context and ensure continued and sustainable development progress for the people of Lao PDR beyond 2026.
- Since the 13th High-Level Round Table Meeting (November 2021), MoFA has led **an inter-ministerial process to develop a national Smooth Transition Strategy**, with the support of the UN in Lao PDR



- The Smooth Transition Strategy was endorsed and adopted by the Prime Minister Office in December 2023



3 core objectives and 4 principles



1

Smooth

New policies and actions that mitigate expected impacts and seize opportunities of graduation

2

Quality

Essential policies to ensure the 9th NSED achievement

3

Sustainable

Policy directions for the rest of the decade for continued SDG progress and irreversible graduation

Country ownership

Policy coherence

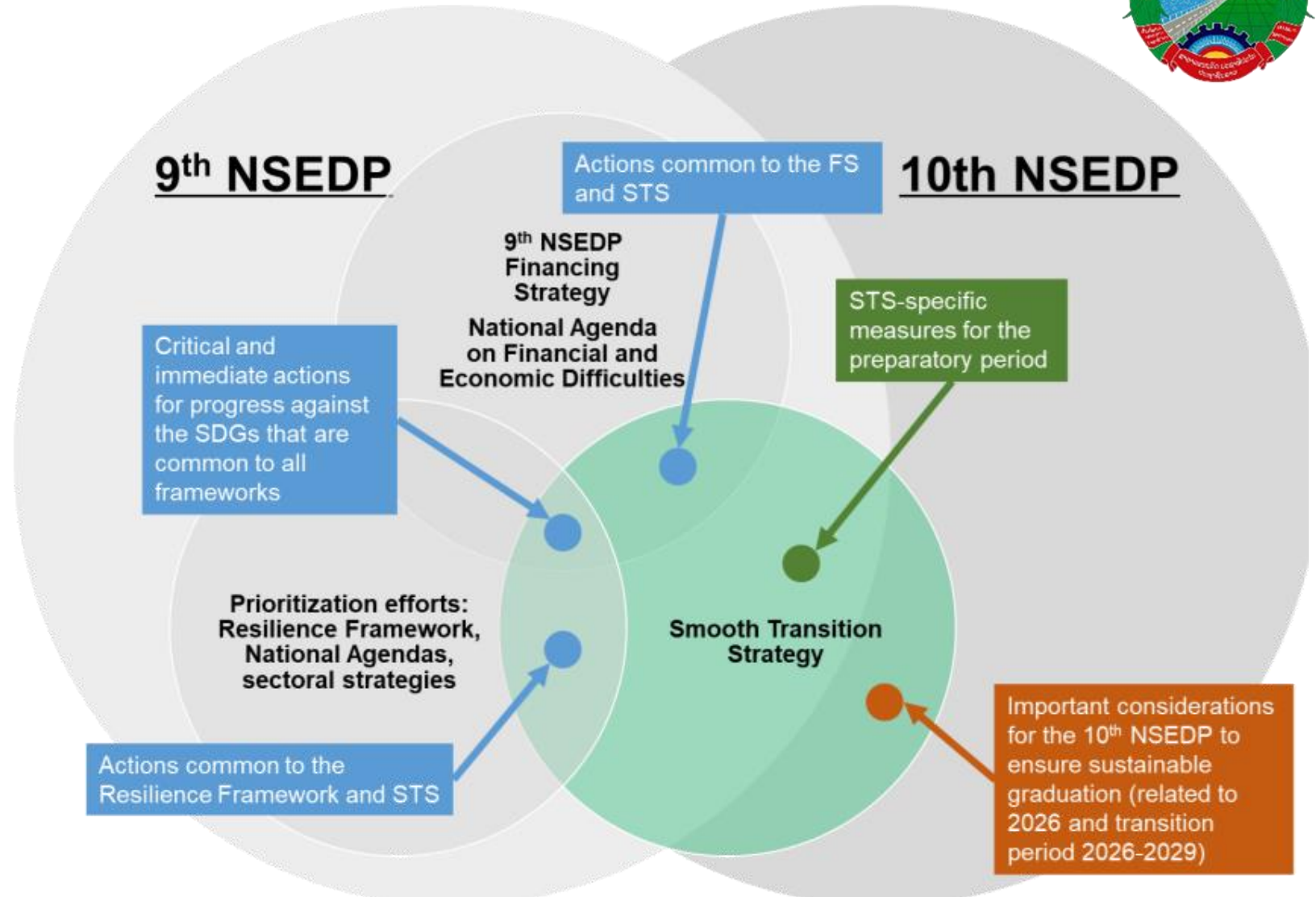
Inter-ministerial coordination

Efficient and streamlined monitoring

Focus on policy coherence



- Smooth Transition Strategy
- Financing Strategy
- Resilience Framework
- National Socio-Economic Development Plan (NSEDP)
- Sectoral plans
- Doha PoA



Structure: 4 chapters, 9 policy areas, ...



Macro-economic Stability and Financial Sustainability

1. Macroeconomic stability
2. Safeguarding investments in human capital, environment and climate action



Trade and Investments

1. Trade and FDI promotion
2. Business environment for inclusive growth



Human Capital Development and Structural Economic Transformation

1. Human capital development and decent jobs
2. Rural development
3. Urban development



Climate change and disaster management

1. Integrated and climate-resilient natural resources management
2. Climate resilience and disaster risk reduction

Ways forward

1. Disseminate and raise awareness and understanding about the Lao PDR's LDC graduation
2. Mobilize international support and ODA, including access to LDC International Support Measures (ISM) on financing for development, social sectors, trade facilitation, climate change, digitalization, infrastructure development
3. Coordinate with UN Agencies and Partners to closely review the Lao PDR's development trajectory through the Enhance Monitoring Mechanism
4. Implement and monitor the STS





Thank you