

# HOW TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

## The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development



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### 1. Agenda for Sustainable Development:

1. Read the text which was adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations (= a forum where all states meet and discuss important topics). You will find it on the next slide.
2. Explain the following concepts (marked green) in your own words: poverty, dignity, sustainable development, solidarity.
3. Find a suitable German translation for the following words (marked blue): to eradicate, stakeholders, interlinkages, profound, prosperous.

#### 1.1 Preamble

This Agenda is a plan of action for people, planet and prosperity. It also seeks to strengthen universal peace in larger freedom. We recognise that **eradicating poverty** in all its forms and dimensions, including extreme poverty, is the greatest global challenge and an indispensable requirement for **sustainable development**. All countries and all **stakeholders**, acting in collaborative

partnership, will implement this plan. We are resolved to free the human race from the tyranny of poverty and want and to heal and secure our planet. We are determined to take the bold and transformative steps which are urgently needed to shift the world onto a sustainable and resilient path. As we embark on this collective journey, we pledge that no one will be left behind. The 17 Sustainable Development Goals and 169 targets which we are announcing today demonstrate the scale and ambition of this new universal Agenda. [...] They seek to realize the human rights of all and to achieve gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls. They are integrated and indivisible and balance the three dimensions of sustainable development: the economic, social and environmental. The Goals and targets will stimulate action over the next fifteen years in areas of critical importance for humanity and the planet:



## 1.2 People

We are determined to end poverty and hunger, in all their forms and dimensions, and to ensure that all human beings can fulfil their potential in **dignity** and equality and in a healthy environment.

### 1.3 Planet

We are determined to protect the planet from degradation, including through sustainable consumption and production, sustainably managing its natural resources and taking urgent action on climate change, so that it can support the needs of the present and future generations.

### 1.4 Prosperity

We are determined to ensure that all human beings can enjoy **prosperous** and fulfilling lives and that economic, social and technological progress occurs in harmony with nature.

### 1.5 Peace

We are determined to foster peaceful, just and inclusive societies which are free from fear and violence. There can be no sustainable development without peace and no peace without sustainable development.

### 1.6 Partnership

We are determined to mobilize the means required to implement this Agenda through a revitalised Global Partnership for Sustainable Development, based on a spirit of strengthened global **solidarity**, focussed in particular on the needs of the poorest and most vulnerable and with the participation of all countries, all stakeholders and all people.

The **interlinkages** and integrated nature of the Sustainable Development Goals are of crucial importance in ensuring that the purpose of the new Agenda is realised. If we realize our ambitions across the full extent of the Agenda, the lives of all will be **profoundly** improved and our world will be transformed for the better.



## 2. Tasks

- Expand your vocabulary: Research the translation of 3 more words in the text you don't know.
- What does the world community want to achieve with the SDGs? Give three examples.
- What are the three aspects of sustainable development?
- Explain with your own words what the Agenda 2030 is.
- The SDGs are not only an agenda pursued by the world's states but also need the initiative and participation of every human being. What could you do to be part of this worldwide movement? What could you do in class? Discuss in groups and draw a mindmap.