



Press release

Call for Action: The European Network of Political Foundations (ENoP) and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network: The EU must act now on the 2030 Agenda to achieve sustainable development!

Brussels/Paris, March 2019. The European Network of Political Foundations (ENoP) and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) are jointly calling on the EU to act now on the 2030 Agenda to achieve sustainable development.

In view of the upcoming EU elections, the formation of a new EU Commission and the approval of the next EU budget, both networks address the urgent need to significantly increase the EU's efforts to implement the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and embrace the Agenda 2030 as an overarching framework to shape both internal and external EU policies. Emphasizing the importance to respect the universal, interlinked, and indivisible character of the Agenda, the networks call on all political actors of the European Union to stand united for a sustainable future of Europe.

The call builds on consultation with both networks and the inputs of experts from academia, politics, and the private sector at the jointly organised conference on "The SDGs and the Future of Europe" in October 2018.

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[ENoP](#), established in 2006, serves as a communication and dialogue instrument between European political foundations and the institutions of the EU. It portrays itself as a bridgebuilder between politics and civil society. The network presently counts 51 member foundations from 22 countries (within the EU and candidate countries) The members are close to party families represented in the European Parliament, belonging to the democratic spectrum but independent in their decision making and financing of international projects.

[SDSN](#), operating since 2012 under the auspices of the UN Secretary-General, mobilizes global scientific and technological expertise to promote practical solutions for sustainable development, including the implementation of the SDGs and the Paris Climate Agreement. There are more than 200 SDSN members and several national and regional SDSNs (SDSN Belgium, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Mediterranean, Northern Europe, and Spain) active in almost all EU member states.