

The Haitian Government and the United Nations sign the joint work plans 2017-2018 in support to the country's sustainable development

- ✓ The 5 priority areas of intervention will be poverty reduction, social services, resilience, gender equality and protection, and governance
- ✓ The plans are part of the United Nations Development Assistance Framework 2017-2021 in support to Haiti's objective of becoming an emergent country by 2030 and to advance the Sustainable Development Goals

Port-au-Prince, 7 December 2017 —The Government of Haiti and the United Nations Country Team signed on 7 December the joint work plans 2017-2018 as part of the Development Assistance Framework 2017-2021 (UNDAF). This framework will guide during the next five years the partnership between the United Nations and the Government of Haiti to advance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and to reach the status of emergent country by 2030, by reinforcing peace, stability and Haitian institutions and population's resilience. These goals represent Haiti's commitment with its children and grandchildren to build a better future, and the UN will continue standing side by side with Haiti, as a partner, to fulfill this commitment.

The minister of Planning and External Cooperation, Mr. Aviol Fleurant, signed the 5 plans accompanied by the Deputy Special Representative of the UN Secretary General, Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian Coordinator in Haiti, Dr. Mamadou Diallo, as well as the representatives of the [19 UN agencies, funds and programs working in Haiti](#).

The Government of Haiti and the United Nations Country Team had signed on 30 June the Development Assistance Framework 2017-2021 (UNDAF) that will guide during the next five years the partnership to advance the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The accomplishment of Haiti's development objectives supported by this framework will need the mobilization of \$1,085.57 million in order to implement specific and measurable actions in five priority areas of intervention: poverty reduction, social services, resilience, gender equality/protection and governance.

This partnership between Haiti and the United Nations recognizes the leadership and responsibility of the Haitian institutions and population as the main actors to advance the country's development. Consequently, the capacity development of the state structures and civil society will be a priority for this development assistance framework 2017-2021, which is based on the gains achieved over the last years in terms of stability, development and humanitarian response. In this regard, the UN will also support Haiti's efforts to become less and less dependent on humanitarian aid and to increase the institutions and population's resilience to face and recover from external shocks, such as natural disasters and other potential humanitarian situations.

The new framework is the result of the joint work of the Government of Haiti –under the leadership of the Ministry of Planning and External Cooperation- and the United Nations country team (including 19 agencies, funds and programs and the MINUJUSTH) in order to be aligned behind national priorities and to determine how could the UN better support Haiti's efforts towards sustainable development. Thus, the document was conceived under the umbrella of Haiti's Strategic Development Plan (PSDH) and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development signed in 2015 by 193 countries, including Haiti. This participatory process has been enriched with consultations with public institutions, civil society, and specialists from different ministries and universities, paying special attention to the voices of youth and vulnerable groups, in order to leave no one behind.

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