



24.02.2016 - Early in 1966, United Nations leaders fighting poverty came together to form UNDP. Since then UNDP has played a transformational role in reducing poverty, empowering women, creating jobs, and protecting the environment in nearly 170 countries.

On the occasion of its 50th anniversary, UNDP is looking toward the future of people and planet. [UNDP Administrator Helen Clark writes in her blog](#) : “The world is not yet rid of poverty and hunger and a number of ecosystems are under great stress. The good news is that our world has more wealth, more knowledge, and more technologies at its disposal than ever before to do something about these challenges.” UNDP imagines a world where all people prosper, societies are more inclusive, and the planet is protected from the worst effects of climate change; a world where no one is left behind.

This is the agenda of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as Agenda 2030. Agenda 2030 is the most ambitious effort on development in world history. UNDP is leading the way in achieving this global agenda.

UNDP will work to integrate diverse efforts internationally, such as on health, energy, work and climate—so that development is advancing on all fronts. The final result is a more prosperous, fair, and inclusive world for all. This is a job not just for the poor countries or the rich countries. Not only for the people or their leaders. It’s a shared vision of the future of humanity. UNDP has a part, and global citizens have a part.

