

# A Nexus Perspective on the OWG Outcome Document

Assessing the Food, Energy and Sustainable  
Consumption and Production Goals

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# The SDG Ambition and Interlinkages

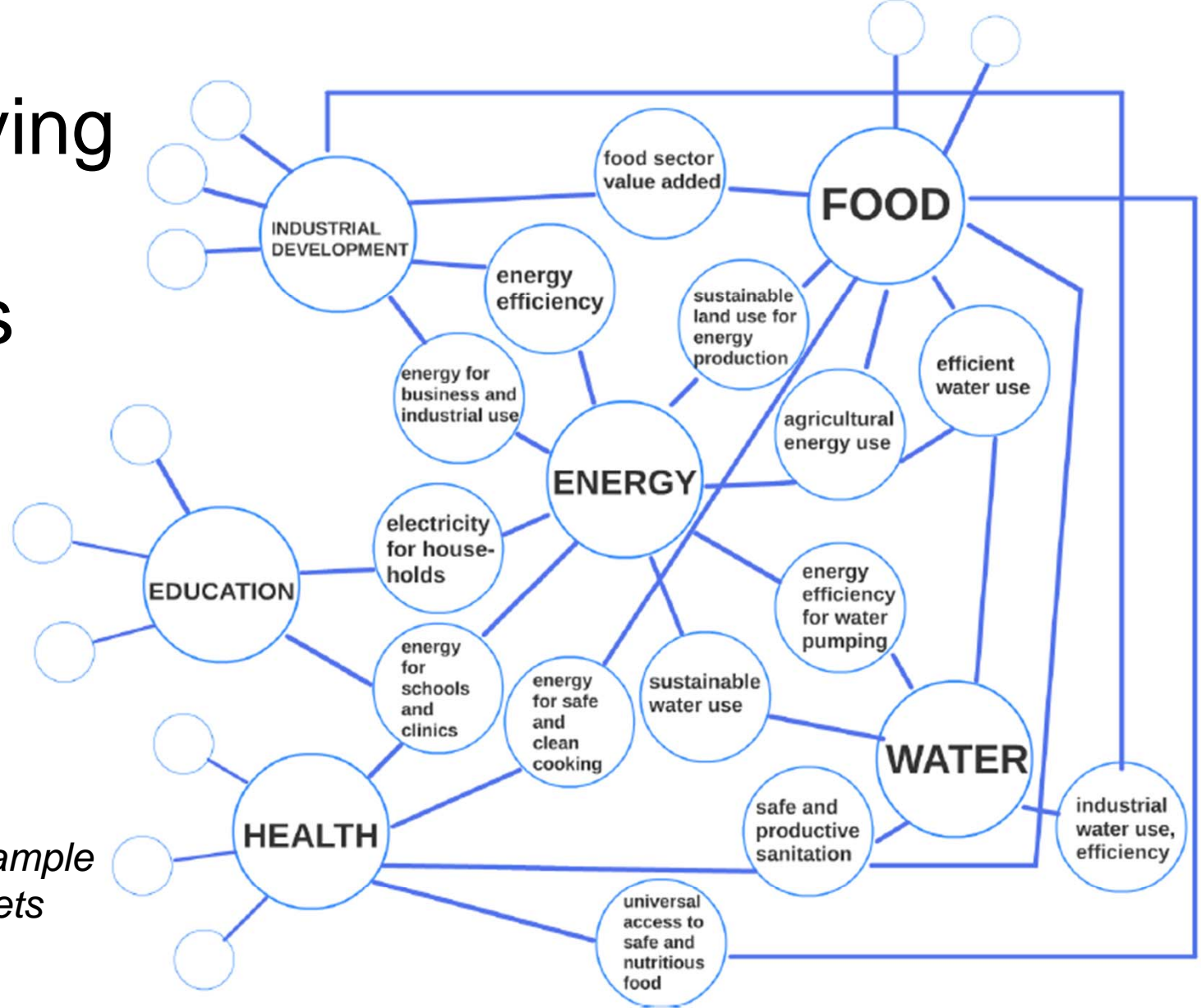
- Establish **relevant** and "**transformative**" goals/targets for sustainable development
  - Address **root causes** of complex and **interlinked** development challenges.
- Ensure long-term **sustainability**
  - Integrate** social, economic and environmental dimensions of development
- Address issues of **collective action** and burden-sharing
  - Universally applicable** goals but **differentiated action**

**OUTCOME DOCUMENT:** 169 targets, cut across and support multiple development objectives and depend on the same finite resources as each other and as ecosystems.

# A Nexus Approach to the SDGs

- Access for all, efficiency/”more with less”, sustainable ecosystems, context-sensitive
- Useful to identify interactions among goals/targets, examine different types of interactions or as tool for setting integrated targets
- Clarifies shared interests and aggregate use of resources by many targets
- Can help us avoid a final framework with conflicting or overlapping targets, and we have identified potential synergies that suggest win-win solutions. Sustainability check.

# Identifying Nexus Targets



*Illustrative example of linking targets*

# The OWG Proposal for Energy, Food and Agriculture, and Sustainable Production and Consumption (SCP)

## **Goal 2. End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition, and promote sustainable agriculture**

- Ensure **access** to safe, nutritious and sufficient food
- End **malnutrition**
- Improve agricultural **productivity**
- Ensure sustainable food **production systems** and resilient **agricultural practices**
- Maintain **genetic diversity** of seeds, cultivated plants, farmed and domesticated animals and their related wild species, and access to fair and equitable sharing of the benefits from genetic resources

## **Goal 7. Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy for all**

- Ensure **access** to affordable, reliable and modern energy services
- Improve energy **efficiency**
- Increase the share of **renewable energy** in the global energy mix

## **Goal 12. Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns**

- 10-Year Framework of Programmes on sustainable consumption and production (10YFP)
- Sustainable management and **efficient use of natural resources**
- Reduce global **food waste**, reduce **food losses**
- Achieve environmentally sound management of **chemicals** and all wastes
- Reduce **waste generation**
- Companies to adopt **sustainable practices** and sustainability information into their reporting cycle
- Sustainable **public procurement** practices
- Access to **relevant information and awareness** for sustainable development and **lifestyles** in harmony with nature

# Does the Outcome Document Incentivize Cross-sector Collaboration?

- Scope and content calls for coordination; majority of proposed targets have implications for targets under other goals. Trade-offs, conditions and synergies.
- In line with Nexus principles - the building blocks are there!
- Mix of sector and system goals, no cross-referencing
- SCP goal a “Nexus goal”?
- Missed opportunity to communicate, and inspire, systems thinking and cross-sector collaboration.

# THANK YOU

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