



Compendium of Sustainable Development Indicator Initiatives

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Originally launched in 1995, the Compendium of Sustainable Development Indicator Initiatives is an extensive source of information on initiatives from around the world.

In 2002, the **International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD)**, **Environment Canada** and the **International Sustainability Indicators Network (ISIN)** launched an exciting redevelopment of the Compendium.

The current version, which houses information about 600 initiatives, shows in-depth information on each initiative including: the type of initiative; the nature of public involvement; geographic scope; complete contact information; and project goals. A powerful search tool allows users to find initiatives easily.

While IISD manages the Compendium, project leaders are invited to submit and manage their own entries. This results in currency, a sense of community and a solid, user-focused product.

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- Header:** IISD International Institute for Sustainable Development / Institut international du développement durable
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- Main Content Area:**
 - Compendium: A global directory to indicator initiatives**
 - Welcome to version two of the Compendium of Sustainable Development Indicator Initiatives, a worldwide directory of who is doing what in the field of sustainability indicators. Work on an earlier version of the Compendium was carried out with several partners and donors, including the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), Environment Canada, Redefining Progress, the World Bank and the United Nations Division for Sustainable Development.
 - In the fall of 2002, the International Institute for Sustainable Development, Environment Canada and the International Sustainability Indicators Network (ISIN) initiated an extensive revision to the original Compendium. This included revisions to structure, search capabilities and visual design of the database. The revision also involved updating existing initiatives and adding new entries.
 - While IISD hosts the Compendium, indicator practitioners are invited to submit information on their own work and take ownership of their entries in the database. Entries can be submitted and updated as necessary through a convenient Web interface. IISD staff reviews and approves new entries to ensure that minimum content and format requirements are met.
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 - The Dashboard of Sustainability is an online tool designed to be understood by experts, the media, policymakers and the general public.
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The Power and Potential of the Compendium

Interest in sustainable development indicators continues to increase. There are numerous initiatives around the world—they cover different aspects of sustainability (economic, environmental and social); they cover different geographical regions; and they employ different tools.

By sharing experiences about methods, approaches, results and the development of indicators, practitioners can build a truly successful, mutually beneficial community of practice.

The Compendium can:

- promote the sharing of knowledge among practitioners;
- enable the coordination of indicator development approaches and indicator sets;
- promote the avoidance of duplication;
- provide decision-makers with convenient access to a pool of indicator experts;
- help identify opportunities for future indicator initiatives; and
- direct users to even more resources on indicators for sustainable development.

Current enthusiasm for the Compendium and the large number of initiatives recorded in the database are strong indicators of success.

Visit <http://www.iisd.org/measure/compendium/> today—enter or edit your sustainability indicator initiative and see what's happening in the field.

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About IISD

The Compendium of Sustainable Development Indicator Initiatives is hosted and managed by the Canadian-based International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD).

With more than 1.25 million document downloads and 10 million page requests in 2003, IISD's Web sites are among the most respected sources of sustainable development information on the World Wide Web.

IISD contributes to sustainable development by advancing policy recommendations on international trade and investment, economic policy, climate change, measurement and indicators, and natural resources management. By using Internet communications, we report on international negotiations and broker knowledge gained through collaborative projects with global partners, resulting in more rigorous research, capacity building in developing countries and better dialogue between North and South.

IISD's vision is better living for all—sustainably; its mission is to champion innovation, enabling societies to live sustainably. IISD receives operating grant support from the Government of Canada, provided through the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) and Environment Canada, and from the Province of Manitoba. The institute receives project funding from the Government of Canada, the Province of Manitoba, other national governments, United Nations agencies, foundations and the private sector. IISD is registered as a charitable organization in Canada and has 501(c)(3) status in the United States.

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