



Selection Criteria for Sustainable Development Indicators for Bulgaria

1. The indicators should cover the main objectives of the Bulgarian SDS.
2. The indicators should be relevant to Bulgaria.
3. The indicators should be based on data which at present are and in the future will be recorded and collected regularly and in a homogeneous manner.
4. The data for the indicators should be representative for the whole country
5. The indicators should be easily interpretable as positive or negative for sustainable development depending on their change.
6. The indicators should be robust and statistically validated - this is fact when the indicator is considered as statistically reliable and accurate, comparable over time.
7. The data should be available for a minimum of 3 years.
8. There should be good comparability across EU Member States.
9. The indicators should be timely and susceptible to revision.
10. The measurement of the indicators should not impose on enterprises or to the citizens a burden disproportionate to its benefits – to be derived from existing indicators when this is possible.
11. The indicators set should be balanced across themes and dimensions.
12. The indicators should be mutually consistent within the themes - they should not have contradictory messages.
13. The indicators set should be as transparent and accessible as possible to the citizens.
14. The indicators should be easy to read and understand by the whole society, they and their metadata should be readily available.