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Enhancing Decision-Making Processes for Achieving Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

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The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) provide the framework for the world's nations to address unprecedented environmental, social, and economic challenges; however, the existing decision-making process faces new situations and requirements to achieve these goals. The increasing complexity and interconnectedness of social, economic, and environmental issues have made it necessary for decisionmakers to go beyond single-domain thinking and adopt a systemic, interdisciplinary approach to achieve an integrated effect in decision making. In the actual decision-making process, problems such as a lack of systematization, weakened scientific evidence, ineffective cross-sectoral collaboration, and a lack of effective feedback and management mechanisms are still affecting the reliability and rationality of decision-making results for achieving the SDGs. With the 2030 deadline for achieving the SDGs less than a few years away, more effective decision-making processes are urgently required to significantly improve progress and accelerate the transition to a sustainable future.

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