Beyond Recovery: Towards 2030

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Exploring the four integrated themes of UNDP’s COVID-19 Response

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GREEN ECONOMY
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Tipping Point Issues for Global Social, Economic and Environmental Shifts

- Revolt against socio-economic inequality (e.g. lack of universal healthcare)
- Awareness of scale and impact of misdirected subsidies
- Recognition of planetary crises: climate crisis and biodiversity loss
- Drive against gender inequality
- Drive against digital inequality and deployment of the digital revolution to critical services
- Recognition of the needs of fragile, conflict- and crisis-affected contexts and necessity of building better resilience
- Awareness that debt, capital flight and trade stops threaten recovery
The Wrong Kind of Tipping Point..
Share of stimulus to fossil fuels

- **At least** $138.55 billion
  - Supporting clean energy
    - **$30.21** per capita
- **At least** $204.08 billion
  - Supporting fossil fuel energy
    - **$44.51** per capita

G20 has committed at least **USD 382.14 billion** to COVID-19 recovery to date

- **47%** Fossil Unconditional
- **23%** Fossil Conditional
- **13%** Clean Conditional
- **10%** Clean Unconditional
- **7%** Other

France, Germany and China lead public money commitments to clean energy recovery packages, as of 26 August 2020

Source: energypolicytracker.org/region/G20 26 Aug 2020
Leveraging NDCs and UNDP investments for structural transformation

Identification of viable alternative pathways to ‘build forward better’ to help governments build the *business case*

Provide targeted assistance to at-risk and high impact sectors

Green job creation and strengthening livelihoods and resilience -
**ASSESS HIGH RISK FACTORS FOR ZOONOTIC DISEASES**
- Map hotspots for integrated land use planning and disease-outbreak prevention and containment.
- Facilitate improved collaboration between health, agriculture and conservation sectors for effective disease control and community support.

**INVEST IN NATURE SMART RESPONSES**
- Provide support to government partners and communities within existing nature project landscapes
- Sustain livelihoods of vulnerable & at-risk communities
- Minimize negative impacts on conservation progress and community engagement
- Deploy emerging technologies for nature monitoring
- Public outreach on zoonotic diseases

**NATURE-BASED GREEN RECOVERY AND PREVENTION**
- Nature-based green economic and social stimulus packages
- Prevent future disease outbreaks & reduce their impacts by tackling illegal wildlife trade & risks associated with wildlife consumption and farming and by supporting community resilience
ASSESSMENTS TO STRENGTHEN CLIMATE-HEALTH NEXUS

- Conduct initial assessments to prepare for green response and recovery
- Assess energy access needs for public health facilities and conduct climate change informed, socio-economic assessments to capture interlinked climate and health co-vulnerabilities

INVEST IN CLIMATE SMART RESPONSES

Evidence-based and stakeholder informed public policy and finance:

- Climate/Disaster Response Infrastructure for COVID-19 Early Warning and health systems strengthening
- Adaptive social protection to diversify livelihood opportunities, increase access to markets, strengthen value chains, and build resilience within climate sensitive sectors
- Contingency Planning to continue progress on NDCs and Climate Action

BUILD FORWARD BETTER, GREENER & EQUITABLY

- Invest in green recovery: policies to encourage renewable energy, carbon markets, and FFS reform. Economic stimulus from green growth and green job creation
- Integrate COVID-19 long-term recovery plans with countries’ long-term strategies
- Invest in and build diversified, sustainable and resilient food and agricultural systems
- Deforestation free value chains; utilize REDD+ to invest in socio-economic recovery that promotes forest conservation and alternative livelihoods
**ENERGY OFFER**

**PREPARE**
- Providing the power to treat patients and protect health workers.
  - Basic Lighting / night-time service provision
  - Powering medical devices (e.g. ventilators)
  - Providing clean water
  - Cold chains for vaccines and other processes
  - Remote health applications
  - Public health education / dissemination of information

**RESPOND**
- Powering digital solutions and appliances for social distancing
  - People can stay and work from home / engage in digital financial and e-commerce transactions
  - Some businesses can continue operating online
  - Children and students can participate in online education
  - Access to public health information and tele-medicine

**RECOVER**
- Affordable, clean energy sources can fuel economic recovery
  - Rapidly deployable energy solutions, suitable for remote and hard-to-reach locations
  - Engine for green job creation
  - Enabler of local productive activities
  - Driver for the clean energy transition
Key ingredients to move towards a Green Economy

1. MARKET INTELLIGENCE
   - Analysis of systems transformation and sector specific intelligence for rapid and sustainable green growth

2. EVIDENCE BASED OFFERS
   - Risk assessments, feasibility studies, cost-benefit analysis, investment appraisals, environmental and social safeguards.

3. STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT & PARTNERSHIPS
   - Private sector, banks, IFIs, IFC, civil society

4. FINANCIAL PRODUCTS & FISCAL POLICY SUPPORT
   - Debt-for-nature swaps; weather indexed insurance; SDG / social bonds; cash transfer

5. AGILE ANALYTICS
   - Feedback loops – how we know we’re making the most of SEIAs and delivering impact
Driving a ‘systems shift’ towards a green recovery

**PREPARE**
- Identify and understand risks and opportunities through diagnostics

**RESPOND**
- Make evidenced-based public policy and budgetary decisions

**RECOVER**
- Shift investments and incentives towards SDG pathways

**BEYOND RECOVERY**
- Engage/empower governments, business, people, communities to leap forward – driving systemic and behavioural shifts