



## ESJ Special Edition

### Title:

**The United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG): Pros and Cons**



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### Overview of Special Edition

The aim of publishing papers on this topic is to solicit manuscripts that examine the strengths, weaknesses and unintended consequences (pro and con) of the United Nation's Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

The 17 goals are as follows:

1. No poverty.
2. Zero hunger.
3. Good health and well-being.
4. Quality education.
5. Gender equality.
6. Clean water and sanitation.
7. Affordable and clean energy.

8. Decent work and economic growth.
9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure.
10. Reduced inequalities.
11. Sustainable cities and communities.
12. Responsible consumption and production.
13. Climate action.
14. Life below water.
15. Life on land.
16. Peace, justice and strong institutions.
17. Partnerships for the goals.

### POSSIBLE APPROACHES

Several approaches to this topic may be taken. Here is a partial (incomplete) list. Authors should feel free to explore another angle that is not listed below. Your contribution should be more than a mere opinion piece. Cite the relevant literature.

1. Discuss one or more of the 17 goals. The UN website does not go into much detail about what can/should be done to implement the goals or how the goal(s) may be achieved. You may interpret what you think the UN is trying to achieve and how you think the UN would like governments, NGOs, corporations, and/or individuals to achieve the goal(s). Cite the relevant literature.

2. Discuss one or more of the 17 goals. Focus on what you think can/should be done to achieve the goal(s) you have chosen. Cite the relevant literature.
3. Do you think one or more of these goals is not achievable? Why do you think that way? Cite the relevant literature.
4. Do you think there is a better way to achieve one or more of these goals? What would you suggest? Cite the relevant literature.
5. Do you think one or more of the goals should be scratched from the list? Which one(s)? Why? Cite the relevant literature.
6. Do you think one or more goals should be added to the list? Elaborate on your choice(s). Cite the relevant literature.
7. Identify and discuss the costs and benefits of one or more of the goals. Cite the relevant literature.
8. The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) accredits nearly 600 business schools worldwide. Its current standards require member institutions to incorporate the UN's SDG into their curriculums. Do you think this requirement is a good idea? Why or why not? Mandatory incorporation into university curriculums has been criticized as a form of indoctrination rather than education. Do you agree? Disagree? Elaborate on the reason(s) for your position. Cite the relevant literature.
9. The UN is viewed by some scholars/pundits as an organization that espouses bad economics. Do you agree? Disagree? Elaborate on the reason(s) for your position and provide examples to support your view. Cite the relevant literature.

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