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Outline

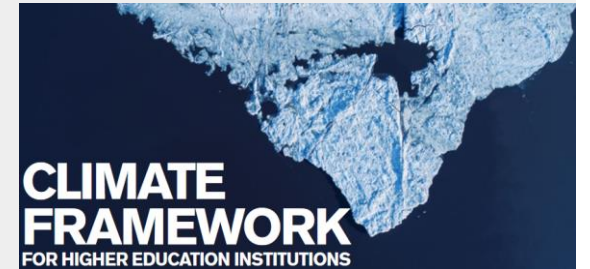
12:30 – 12:55 pm

Get started with the SDGs - use the SDG Impact Assessment Tool



12:55 – 01:15 pm

The Climate Framework - how to work strategically with climate issues between organizations



01:15 – 02:00 pm

Sustainable Development from the Nordic Perspective - A Panel Discussion



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Getting started with the SDGs – Use the SDG Impact Assessment Tool

This tool is owned by the Gothenburg Centre for Sustainable Development and is run together with SDSN Northern Europe.



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- We need to enable companies and other organizations to assess their impacts on the SDGs, globally.



The SDG Impact Assessment Tool



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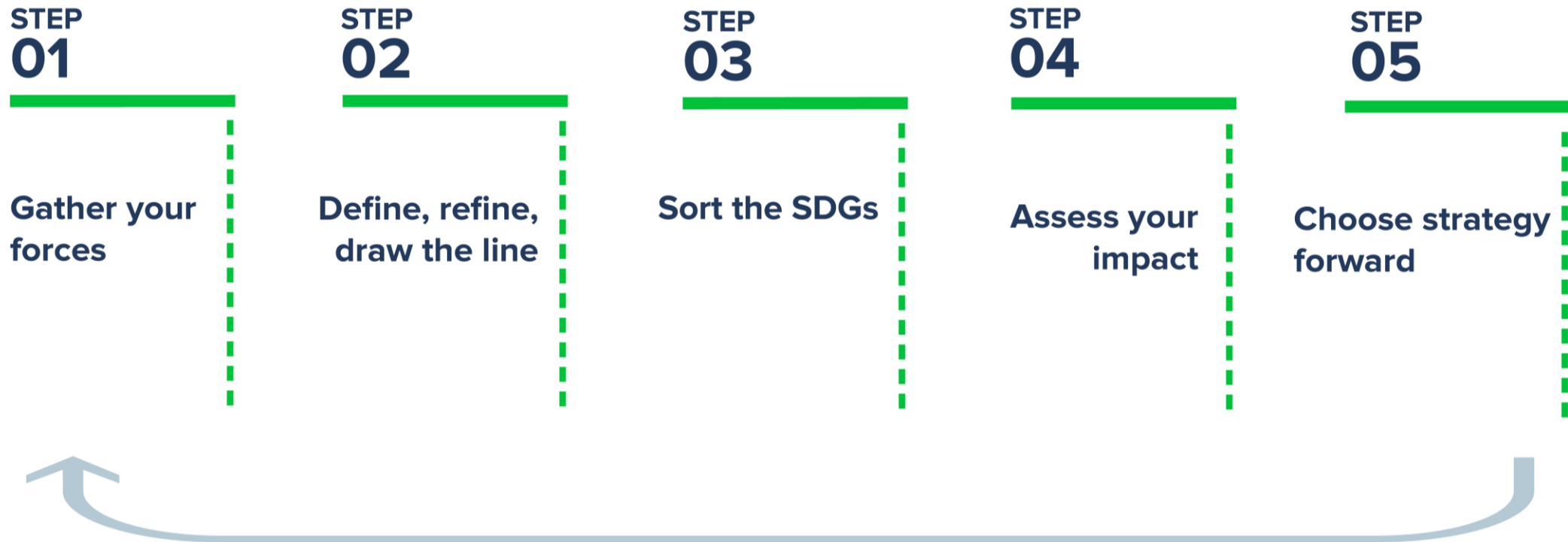


The SDG Impact Assessment Tool

- Self-assessment of how activities, organizations or projects affect the SDGs by identifying positive/negative and direct/indirect impacts, or knowledge gaps.
- Learning tool – about the SDGs themselves, their inter-linkages and identifying relevant sustainability perspectives of your work?
- Users include venture capital companies, innovation offices, universities, small companies, sustainability consultants, and municipalities.



Steps in the self-assessment method



Assessment of impacts

**DIRECT
NEGATIVE**

**INDIRECT
NEGATIVE**

NO IMPACT

**INDIRECT
POSITIVE**

**DIRECT
POSITIVE**

Motivate why

Max 1 000 characters



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Results visualization

Direct positive						6		8				12	13				
Indirect positive	1								9		11						
No impact																	17
Indirect negative																	
Direct negative																	
More																	

Strategic choices

The result reflects your current status. Now identify and prioritize the SDGs that you can take action on. Tick one or several of the questions you want to base your strategy on:

- ☐ Which positive impacts can you strengthen even further?
- ☐ Which negative impacts can you eliminate or minimize?
- ☐ What is needed and who can help you to fill the knowledge gaps?

Max 4 000 characters



- Provides a structured approach to get started with the SDGs
- Broadens the understanding of the SDGs and their interlinkages
- Stimulates co-learning and co-creation, the process is important
- Free online resource for all to use globally, no membership needed
- <https://sdgimpactassessmenttool.org/>





Thank you for your attention

Questions?

