FORMAT			
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8. Languages in which available	English		
9. Geographic area resource relates to	Global		
10. Does the resource relate to a specific time frame?			
11. Type	Report Yes		
	Toolkit/Framework/Roadmap	Yes	
	Sign-post to other resource (database)		
	Case studies Yes		
12. If this is part of an initiative, what is the initiative?	Other The group was initiated by the UN Secretary General.		
COLLECTIONS AND COLLECTIONS-BASED INSTITUTIONS			
13. Explicit links to collections	No		
14. Explicit links to museums/libraries/a rchives	No		
15. Types of institutions			
the resource covers	Archives	X	
	Libraries	X	

	Other		X	
16. Types of	Arts, humanities and social	Х		
collections/disciplin	sciences: philosophy,			
es the resource	psychology, religion, social			
covers	sciences, law, politics,			
	language, arts and			
	recreation, architecture,			
	literature, history,			
	geography and ethnology,			
	anthropology, archaeology			
	Science, natural history,	Χ		
	technology, medicine,			
	engineering, manufacturing			
17. If no explicit links to	The resource can be used by o			
collections,	to inform their own net zero t	_	•	
justification for	greenhouse-gas-emissions-red	duction i	nitiatives.	
inclusion				
HOW IT CONTRIBUTES TO SU				
	tivities the resource relates to		l that apply)	
-	ct and safeguard wider cultural	and		
	ively, for example by targeting			
_	s of heritage in strategic ways			
Use collections to promote le				
	e to sustainable development r			
	effectively, for example education for sustainable development			
and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality,				
promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global				
citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's				
	contribution to sustainable development and/or skills development			
	relating to collections Use collections to promote cultural participation/social inclusion			
	e by reducing barriers to partici			
to ensure no-one is 'left behi		Jation,		
	ustainable tourism more effect	ively		
	ew products based on local culti			
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heritage, and/or considering the rights of stakeholder groups in relation to collections				
Use collections to support research that contributes to				
sustainable development (including all forms of personal and self-				
directed research at all levels that make use of stored collections)				
more effectively, for example by providing effective facilities,				
collections and information to meet researchers' needs				
Make decisions around collections that contribute to sustainable				
development more effectively				
i. employment (recr				
ii. energy consumpti	on, greenhouse gas emissions,		Χ	
reduction, monito	ring and reporting			

iii. waste manageme	ent and reduction of waste	X		
iv. transport (forms	of transport, energy use)			
v. commercial activ	ities including copyright and IP			
vi. governance and r	management	X		
vii. security, disaster	preparedness and risk reduction			
Direct external leadership,	partnerships and collaborations			
towards sustainable develo	pment more effectively, for example			
by developing impactful part	tnerships			
19. Does the resource re	late clearly to any international conven	tions (mark all that		
apply)?				
Culture conventions:				
1952, 71 Protection of Copyright and Neighbouring Rights				
1954 Protection of Cultural Property in the Event of Armed Conflict				
1970 Fighting Against the Illi				
1972 Protection of the Worl				
2001 Protection of the Unde				
2003 Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage				
2005 Protection and Promotion of the Diversity of Cultural				
Expressions				
Rio Conventions:				
	versity (CBD), Convention to Combat	X		
	mework Convention on Climate			
Change (UNFCCC)				

AIMS AND CONTENT

20. What issues does the resource aim to address?

"What the Expert Group offers here is a roadmap to prevent net zero from being undermined by false claims, ambiguity and "greenwash". We have built on the existing science and best-in-class voluntary efforts to create a universal definition of net zero, based on five principles and ten recommendations to guide the future of net zero, and focused on the actions that need to be taken by cities, states, corporations and those who regulate them. The risk is clear. If greenwash premised upon low-quality net zero pledges is not addressed, it will undermine the efforts of genuine leaders, creating both confusion, cynicism and a failure to deliver urgent climate action. Which is why, ultimately, regulations will be required to establish a level playing field and ensure that ambition is always matched by action.

This report sets out five principles— the bright stars that should guide the setting and attaining of net zero targets. Plans must be ambitious, have integrity and transparency, be credible and fair.

The ten recommendations go into more detail about what non-state actors need to consider through each stage of their progress towards being net zero aligned and what

	the successful attainment of that status can and must
	contribute to the global effort to address the climate crisis.
	" (p.12)
21. Intended audience	[Organisations, businesses, local authorities, regulators]
of resource	
22. Process of	
development	
23. Organisation/structu	6 Chair's Note
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FRAMEWORKS	
24. Framework	The resource is five principles and ten recommendation,
structure	which can be considered as frameworks:
	Principles
	Principles: 1. Ambition which delivers significant near— and medium
	—term emissions reductions on a path to global net zero by
	2050
	2. Demonstrated integrity by aligning commitments with
	actions and investments
	3. Radical transparency in sharing relevant, non-
	competitive, comparable data on plans and progress
	4. Established credibility through plans based in science and
	third-party accountability
	5. Demonstrable commitment to both equity and justice in
	all actions

	1. Announcing a Net Zero Pledge		
	2. Setting Net Zero Targets		
	3. Using Voluntary Credits		
	4. Creating a Transition Plan		
	5. Phasing out of Fossil Fuels and Scaling Up Renewable		
	Energy		
	6. Aligning Lobbying and Advocacy		
	7. People and Nature in the Just Transition		
	8. Increasing Transparency and Accountability		
	9. Investing in Just Transitions		
	10. Accelerating the Road to Regulation		
	[further information and guidance on each of these is		
	provided in the resource]		
25. Relevant policy	Yes		
considerations			
26. Resources for	Yes		
implementation			
identified			
27. Specific assessment	Yes		
points/indicators/mi			
lestones/action plan			
for monitoring			
	ABILITY COVERED BY RESOURCE (mark all that apply)		
People (social			
sustainability)			
Planet (environmental	X		
sustainability)			
Prosperity (economic			
sustainability)			
Peace	V		
Partnerships	X		
	SIDERATIONS COVERED BY RESOURCE (mark all that apply)		
Gender perspectives			
North and South			
perspectives			
	IBUTES TO AGENDA 2030 AND THE SDGs		
	E SDGs FEATURE IN THE RESOURCE		
30. SDGs and Agenda	Yes		
2030 specifically			
mentioned?			
31. SDGs specifically	Yes		
mentioned?			
32. SDG targets	No		
specifically			
mentioned?			

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33. SDG indicators	No			
specifically				
mentioned?				
SDGs AND SDG TARGETS ANI	SDGs AND SDG TARGETS AND LINKAGES			
34. Comments on SDG linkages	The resource is most closely linked to SDG 12.6 (adopt sustainable practices and reporting), 16.6 (effective, accountable and transparent institutions) and 13.3 (contributing to climate action). Implementing the resource can also contribute to a wide range of SDG targets across many goals.			
2E SDGs and SDG targets				
SDG 12 Ensure sustainable	the resource helps advance			
consumption and production patterns 12.6 Encourage companies, especially large and transnational companies, to adopt sustainable practices and to integrate sustainability information into their reporting cycle	Clear visions, strategies and plans in place for all aspects of sustainability – environmental, social and economic (people, planet, prosperity)- across all areas of activity. Visions, strategies and plans relating to sustainability to be publicly available and incorporated into planning documents. Commitments to be in line with local, regional, national and/or international targets and ambitions.			
SDG 13. Take urgent action	Incorporation of sustainability into reporting for funders and other stakeholders, including the public. Reporting to include commitments and progress towards targets.			
to combat climate change and its impacts 13.3 Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation,	Plans in place to enhance positive contributions to addressing climate change through use of collections. Plans in place to ensure collections, collections institutions and broader society can adapt effectively to climate change. Plans in place for effective education and awareness raising on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction			
impact reduction and early warning	and early warning. Plans in place to reduce negative contributions of collections-related functions, e.g. measuring greenhouse emissions with plans and targets in place to reduce them.			
SDG 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective,	16.6.2 Proportion of the population [audience/users/non-users] satisfied with their last experience of public services Access to information, and accountability policies and mechanisms, in place.			

accountable and inclus institutions at all levels 16.6 Develop effective,	s.	Effective institutional arrangements, both for own working and for working in partnership with other sectors, in place.			
accountable and		Plans and arrangements in place for extraordinary			inary
transparent institutions all levels	s at	circumstances such as natural and human-caused disasters.			
		Effective arrangements in place to fulfil legal and social			
		obligations and responsibilities.			
		Effective arrangements in place for transparent			
		communication and reporting of institutional performance.			
		Effective arrangements in place for transparent decision-			
		making and accountability.			
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7	8	9	10	11	<mark>12</mark>
<mark>13</mark>	14	15	<mark>16</mark>	17	