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Why him?



- Prof. Sachs combines the fields of global economics, public health, equity and sustainability into an integrated field of study and practice.
- Thanks to his contributions, our modern thinking and approach to sustainable development can now be more specific and targeted.
- **The Sustainable Development Goals and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change** have been hailed as the two essential pillars for the world to achieve sustainable development. Prof. Sachs played a unique role in both.



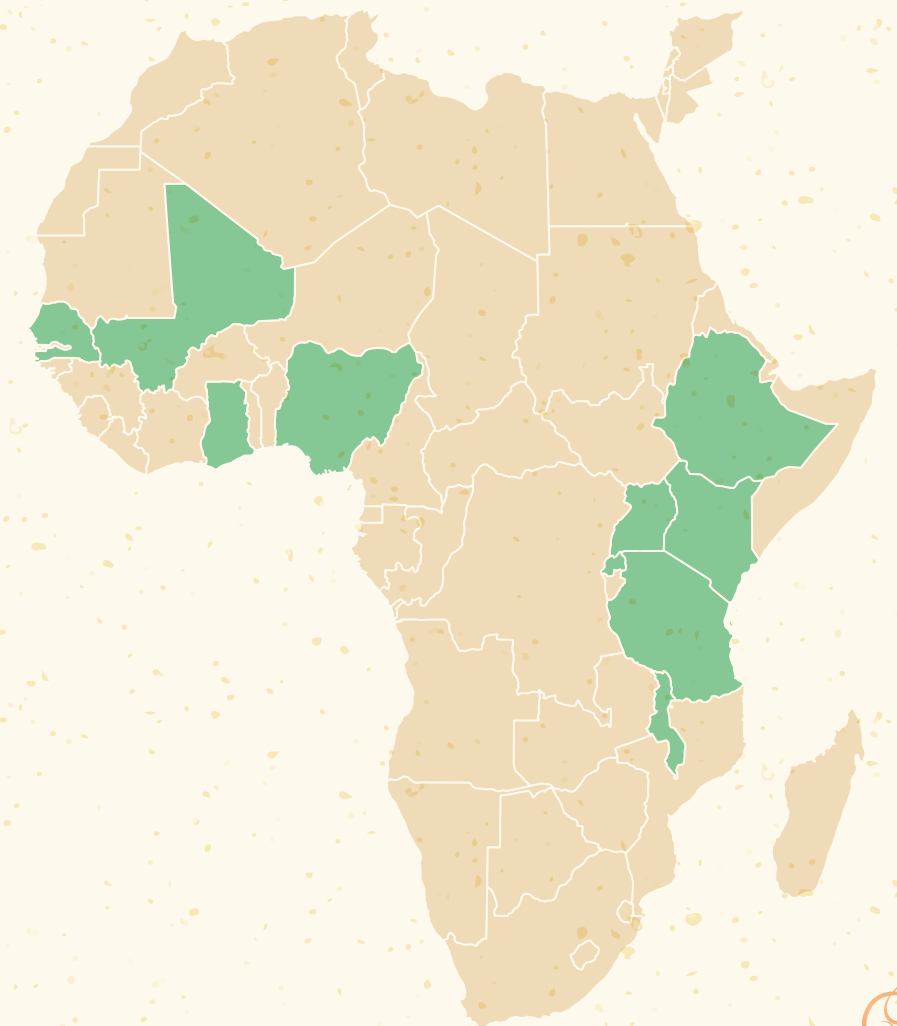
Director of the UN Millennium Project



On behalf of UN Secretary General Kofi Annan, from 2002-2006 Prof. Sachs chaired the **UN Millennium Project**, which was launched to achieve the **8 Millennium Development Goals (MDGs)**.

Prof. Sachs directed the **Millennium Villages Project (MVP)**. From 2006-2015, the MVP achieved notable successes in raising agricultural production, reducing child stunting, and cutting child mortality rates.

Prof. Sachs' model for **integrated rural development** has been used by many other countries to help support antipoverty programs.



Leading SDSN to help countries achieve the SDGs



With his contributions to the MDGs, Prof. Sachs helped to promote the SDGs from their very inception. **Prof. Sachs worked tirelessly behind the scenes and in public, to help forge a consensus for the adoption of the SDGs.**

Under UN Secretary General's auspices, Prof. Sachs established the **Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN)**. Serving as the largest “think tank” to help countries achieve the SDGs, **the SDSN now has over 1,600 member Institutions in 47 networks across 137 countries.**

The SDSN has produced many highly influential reports, conducted academic studies, and hold hundreds of SDG-related meetings each year.

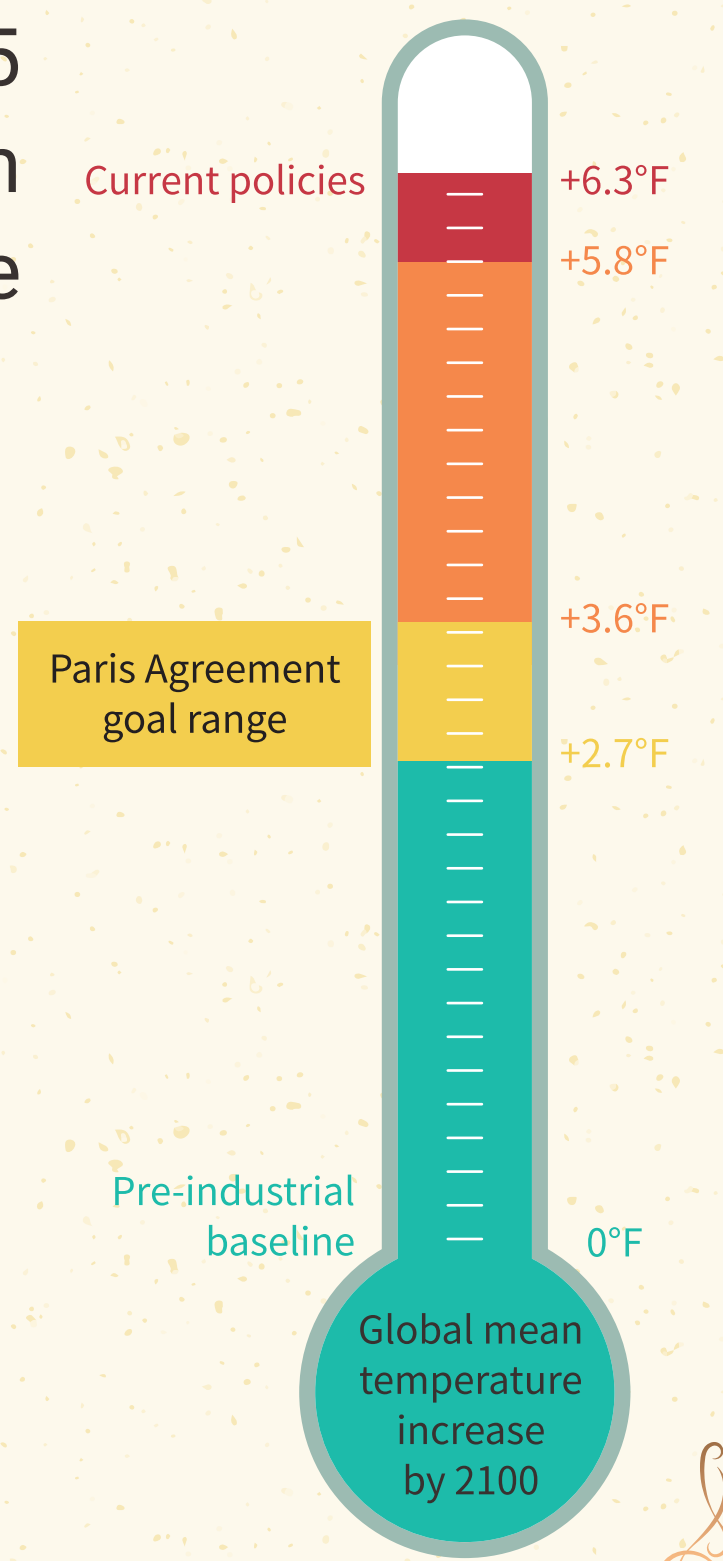


Deep Decarbonization and the Paris Agreement

Prof. Sachs played a key behind-the-scenes role in the 2015 Paris Climate Agreement, participating in discussions between France, the United States and many other countries on the design and adoption of the agreement.

Prof. Sachs also led the highly influential “**Pathways to Deep Decarbonization**” report. **Many countries have followed this research and formulated corresponding pathways.**

These ideas are playing a larger role today, following the call by the Inter-Governmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) for zero-net emissions by 2050.



Writing customized economic prescriptions for many countries

Prof. Sachs is a world-renowned economist who is famous for examining countries and providing customized solutions with his “**Clinical Economics.**” He has advised many governments on critical and complex economic challenges including debt crisis, hyperinflation, transition from central planning to market economy, poverty reduction, etc.



A strong and visionary sustainability leader



Prof. Sachs has been cultivating young leaders and advocating sustainable development in education at all levels. He created the PhD in Sustainability Development program at Columbia University, one of the earliest doctoral programs in sustainable development in the United States.

Prof. Sachs has been at the forefront of scholarship, policy advising to world leaders, educational innovation, practical demonstrations, and global advocacy, with his great vision and practical manner.