

# Review of: "Appraisal of the UN Sustainable Development Goals: A Look Back and a Way Forward"

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The paper is well written, I would rather say well said, about why the UN's sustainable development goals are not achievable significantly by 2030. The author also has proposed three scenarios of probable achievements but has not provided any empirical evidence indicating which of the three scenarios is going to persist in the end. In my opinion, it is not a research paper; rather, it is a speech prepared for a diplomat to deliver his or her speech at a UN forum somewhere. I suggest that the author adds one or more case studies to substantiate the normative arguments provided in the paper. I think that the author may be from Nigeria. The author could use Nigeria's progress and regress in achieving the UN's SDGs as a case study. The author could then collect empirical evidence on how and why Nigeria has made significant progress in achieving some of the SDGs and why Nigeria could not make significant progress in some of the SDGs. Other developing countries could learn some lessons from the empirical evidence to be provided in this paper.