




Chair's Summary

# GOVERNANCE FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT ISAP2011



## Governance for Sustainable Development – Chair's Summary

- General acceptance of a need for transformational change of SD governance – but divergence on how to achieve it.
  - Many stated obstacles to change including there being a trade-off between environment and other dimensions of SD.
- CSO and business involvement at all levels need to influence outcomes of Rio+20;
- Ultimately national governments need to be taking a leadership role, with input from other stakeholder groups including CSOs and private industry.

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- Sustainable development proponents must find ways to convince the public and policy makers that SD will lead to poverty alleviation;
- SD issues need to be addressed at multiple levels with increased attention to horizontal and vertical integration to ensure effective implementation;
- Genuine, informed multi-stakeholder participation in decision making;
- Need for a global or regional agreement on Access to Information (Principle 10)