#### SD and IDC Memo 1

### 1. Development and Environment

EKC: Environmental Kuznets Curve

#### 2. What's SD?

UN Conference on the Human Environment, 1972

<u>IUCN (International Union for Conservation Union) (1980)</u>, World Conservation Strategy IUCN (1982), World Charter for Nature

1987 Brundtland Commission, WCED (the World Commission on Environment and Development), (1987), *Our Common Future*, Oxford UP

"Sustainable Development is development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. It contains within it two key concepts:

- The concept of 'needs', in particular the essential needs of the world's poor, to which overriding priority should be given; and
- The idea of limitations imposed by the state of technology and social organization on the environment's ability to meet present and future needs" (WCED 1987, p.43)

World's poor: Essential needs: food, clothing, shelter, and jobs

Environment's ability: carrying capacity, environmental capacity

1992 UN Environmental Summit in Rio de Janeiro, UNCED

2000 United Nations Millennium Summit, MDGs

2002 Johannesburg Summit: WSSD

# 3. Sustainability

Business: Triple Bottom Line: TBL, 3BL; economic, environmental, and societal sustainability (John Elkington 1994)

Three sustainability "pillars": Environment, Society and Economy, "institution" pillar

Economics: VWS, WS, SS, VSS

2000 Friibergh Workshop on Sustainability Science

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