

The Economics of “Unpeace” – A Venn Comparison Measures of Development

Rationale: To help students understand and articulate ways in which **economics, peace, sustainability, and human development are linked.**

Objectives:

- To build understanding of various ways in which economic development can be measured
- To build skill in evaluating strengths and weaknesses of the various development measures
- To compose an effective comparison of the 3 measures

Standards: This lesson aligns with International Baccalaureate Standards dealing with *Knowing and Understanding, Critical Thinking and Communicating*

Materials:

- Provide links to 3 web sites on economic development (see links below):
- 3 –way Venn diagram template
- materials for writing essay (computer or pen and paper)

Preparation involves only providing links to the web sites and Venn template

Time: 90 minutes

Procedures:

Part 1: Create a 3-way Venn Diagram to compare the following three measures of stability and peace:

- And UN Human Development Index (<http://www.visionofhumanity.org/#/page/indexes/global-peace-index>)
- The Global Peace Index (<https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/sdgs>)
- The UN Sustainable Development Goals (<http://report.hdr.undp.org/>)

Part 2: Write a 350-450 word essay to explain how the three indices compare: Using your Venn diagram explain how economics, peace, sustainability, and human development are linked. Explain which of the three measures seems most likely to influence positive change and tell why.

Assessment: The essay and Venn diagram should do an effective job of highlighting similarities and differences between the three indices. The level of interpretive insight should be assessed.