4.1 Analysis

According to Table 1.0, the 20 highest scoring countries on commitment to sustainable development policies are (low human development countries are marked with an *):

| AMERICAS | ASIA | <u>AFRICA</u> | <u>EUROPE</u> |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Uruguay Trinidad and Tobago Mexico Jamaica Bolivia* Costa Rica Honduras* Ecuador Panama Colombia | Malaysia Thailand Indonesia | Morocco* Botswana Senegal* Ghana* Tunisia Zimbabwe* | Hungary |

With this <u>first approach</u>, the Americas region accounts for half the countries, followed by Africa.

As discussed above, we now look only at countries in the "low human development" group. The following score comparatively well on the basis of sustainable development criteria:

| AMERICAS | ASIA | AFRICA | AFRICA (cont) |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Bolivia Honduras Guatemala Haiti | Bangladesh Papua New Guinea | Morocco Senegal Ghana Zimbabwe Madagascar Gambia Cameroon Egypt Burkina-Faso Swaziland | Kenya Togo Nigeria Mali |

With this second approach, African countries clearly predominate.