



Data Partnerships to Leave No One Behind

Working with civil society and human rights data for a more inclusive monitoring and planning

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Inclusive SDG Data Partnerships



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Leave No One Behind Partnership



LNOB Partnership: Making Voices Heard and Count



Global Partnership

- **13 global member organisations**
- Global members include International Civil Society Organisations (ICSOs) and think tanks

National coalitions

- **More than 70 country members**
- Country Action Teams bring together ICISOs, national NGOs, civil society platforms, community-based organisations and academia



Joint action in seven countries

- Since 2018: **Bangladesh, India, Kenya, Nepal, Vietnam**
- New coalitions in 2021: **Malawi and Denmark**

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Examine

Local partners identify groups & measure factors contributing to their exclusion



Engage

Training & involvement of local champions in collection of data + feedback



Empower

Dialogue on policies and services between civil society and local & national authorities

More info at: voicescount.org

Making Voices Heard and Count

Country SDG priorities are inclusive of marginalised communities.
SDG strategies and policies are informed by community data.

Making Voices Heard

1. Inclusive VNRs

National VNRs include community data

2. Empowerment in Dialogue

Communities are actively engaged in SDG forums

3. Creation of Guidelines

Standards for the production and use of community data are created

Making Voices Count

4. Inclusive Policies

Policies & services earmark support for communities

5. Inclusive Monitoring

Community data used to monitor public services

6. Data-Driven Planning

Decision makers use community data for planning of policies and services

Inclusive SDG Data Partnerships initiative



WHO:
National SDG coordination units
National statistics offices
National Human Rights Institutions
Civil society coalitions

WHAT:
Build trust across sectors
Create common rules for data production and use
Develop a national partnership pilot project



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GOAL: Form national pilot project

- ❖ 6-month online activities with six countries
- ❖ Bringing together cross-sector stakeholders per country
- ❖ Providing external expert advise
- ❖ Offering country level sessions and cross-country peer exchange



SUPPORTERS:



Resulting country collaborations



Maximize use of official and unofficial data at the city level to monitor local progress towards the SDGs

“This process helped deepen relationships with Canadian partners and develop new ones. We now help re-igniting the momentum for SDG implementation in Canada by getting the best out of Canada's data wealth.”

Think-thank, Canada



Develop an accessible and regularly updated accountability platform for the 2030 Agenda fed with data and inputs from the multiple stakeholders

“At the beginning we [Costa Rica team] had many challenges getting all of the stakeholders to agree on a shared vision. This process helped us to list our expectations and gave us the basis to build something together”

Ministry of Planning, Costa Rica



- 1) NSO and NHRI about to sign MoU on improving data quality of national human rights data
- 2) *(tbd)*: collaboration to improve monitoring of gender-related data (SDG 5 and beyond)

“From this project, I have recognised the importance of unofficial data which hitherto I took for granted. It has brought us more closer with NSO and the NGO forum on the relevance of unofficial data. We have also created a whatsapp platform where data sharing will be enhanced.”

NHRI, Ghana

Resulting country collaborations



**Improve monitoring of following SDG targets for women and girls through use of alternative data:
Focus on SDGs 5.4, 16.6 and 16.7**

"I learned the basic steps to generate the data from various perspectives including SDG and Human rights. I am fully committed to engage in the citizens generated data process as it can fulfil the gap and empower the community, which is very important in the case of Nepal"

CSO, Nepal



**Establish an effective monitoring and reporting mechanism for SDG 16.10.1 and 16.10.2
→ Signed MoU for a data collaboration between NHRI and NSO**

"The process allowed us to renew our engagement with the CHR [NHRI] in relation to the rights of indigenous peoples and the Indigenous Navigator tools."

CSO, Philippines



**Develop a handbook for data sources to collect, process and disseminate administrative data
for statistical purposes in Palestine**

"The discussion was very fruitful and opened our minds on new dimensions of SDGs monitoring and data collection. We will be able to improve data collection processes and data partnership in Palestine"

NHRI, Palestine

Some of our key insights from the initiative



- Leave No One Behind: Common driver to engage actors across the sectors in a SDG data partnership
- Neutral facilitation helps foster trust building and support actors in shaping roles + responsibilities
- Joint ownership: agree on responsibilities/roles that match the interests and capacities of actors
- Spirit of co-creation: jointly develop a collaboration structure that work for everyone
- Leverage and amplify existing resources / initiatives to achieve the common goals
- Capacity building on both ends (for official + unofficial data actors to work with each other's approaches)
- Key opportunities:
 - ❖ Potential of virtual exchange + collaboration is higher than anticipated...
 - ❖ Low cost and higher flexibility to meet
 - ❖ Possibility to offer not only cross-sector exchange but also country level peer exchange

*“We couldn’t find a way to
organize ourselves with all actors
before this initiative”
Statistics Office, Nepal*



Lessons learnt report on SDG Data Partnerships

Find out more at:
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Thank you for your attention!

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