

# Session 5.2: Engaging with stakeholders, VNR Process

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## **Stakeholders**

- Comprehensive approach to reflect best practice and inclusivity
- More than 380 organisations engaged:
  - Invited case studies
  - Outreach to raise awareness of VNR
  - Goal-focussed events
  - Sector-specific events

## **Engagement led to data**

**Example: UK Stakeholders for Sustainable Development** 

- Key network of SDG Stakeholders
- Worked with Stakeholders to shape our engagement approach (e.g. held a joint webinar on data for the VNR)

Strongly advocated inclusion of their data

### Non-official data

 Recorded in each chapter in "Activity Snapshot" boxes

#### **Activity Snapshot:**

Business in the Community Business Class brings together businesses and schools strategic partnerships. Over the past ten years, almost 29,000 business volunteers from over 1000 businesses have reached over 277,000 young people. Businesses and schools have worked together on employability and enterprise, supporting school leaders, curriculum projects and wider community issues.

#### **Activity snapshot:**

Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew's global seed banking network, the Millennium Seed Bank Partnership (MSBP), is the largest ex situ plant 2 billion seeds. Its focus is plant life faced with the threat of extinction and plants of most use for the future; Kew's 2016 'State of the World's Plants' report highlighted that 21% of global plant species are threatened with extinction. Seeds are conserved as an insurance against the risk of extinction in their native habitat. The project aims to collect and conserve seed from more than 350 species of Crop Wild Relative, facilitating their use in breeding new and improved crops better adapted to climate change.

# Quality assuring the non-official data

