



**PARTNERSHIP
ACCELERATOR**
2030 AGENDA
FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

2030 AGENDA PARTNERSHIP ACCELERATOR

Accelerating and scaling up effective partnerships
across all stakeholders to deliver transformational
impact for the Sustainable Development Goals



PARTNERSHIP ACCELERATOR 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Introduction

The 2030 Agenda Partnership Accelerator is a collaborative initiative by United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA), and The Partnering Initiative (TPI), in collaboration with United Nations Office for Partnerships, UN Global Compact, and the UN Development Coordination Office, aimed at significantly help accelerate and scale up effective partnerships in support of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

The objectives of the Partnership Accelerator include:

- Support effective country driven partnership platforms for SDGs - Research and direct support of effective multi-stakeholder partnership platforms and mechanisms for engaging business and other stakeholders, and catalyzing partnerships for the SDGs at national and global level, drawing out best practices and guidance, to assist optimizing emerging platforms, and supporting new generation of UN Resident Coordinators and country teams.
- Building partnership skills and competencies - Build capacity of relevant stakeholders to develop and implement partnerships for the SDGs, and to support organizations to develop their policy and strategy, systems and processes, legal agreements and culture to support collaboration.

Background

The scope and complexity of the transformations required for achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the 17 sustainable development goals (SDGs) that are at its core are unprecedented. As a result, no government or stakeholder will be able to address the multi-sectoral, cross-pillar global challenges of today alone, instead, the 2030 Agenda can only be achieved if different sectors and actors work together in an integrated manner by pooling financial resources, knowledge and expertise.

SDG 17 on “strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development”, through its targets 17.16 and 17.17, recognizes the critical importance of multi-stakeholder partnerships that mobilize and share the finance, knowledge, expertise and technology to support the achievement of SDGs in all countries. The targets also highlight the need to promote effective public, public-private and civil society partnerships.

Despite the strong rhetoric for the engagement of multi-stakeholder partnerships for supporting implementation of the SDGs – the reality is that we are still only scratching the surface in terms of the number, and quality, of partnerships required to deliver the SDGs. The 2018 Partnership Exchange, held in the margins of the 2018 High-level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF) explored and identified, among other issues, a key building blocks to build an enabling environment for partnerships to systemically scale up collaboration among a range of stakeholders for driving the implementation of the SDGs, and to run effective partnership action platforms which convene societal sectors around SDG priorities, and catalyze implementation of innovative initiatives. It is against this background the 2030 Agenda Partnership Accelerator was launched in April 2019.

Contact

Mr. Ola Goransson, Sustainable Development Officer, Project Coordinator 2030 Agenda Partnership Accelerator, (goranssono@un.org), Outreach and Partnerships Branch, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA)



Partnership enabling ecosystem for fostering effective partnerships in delivering the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

Partnership Accelerator

provides extensive support to countries and stakeholders in partnership development and delivery



**PARTNERSHIP
ACCELERATOR**
2030 AGENDA
FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

National Partnership Accelerator workshops

Enhancing capacity of national stakeholders to develop effective partnerships

Partnership development

Direct support on effective multi-stakeholder partnerships and platforms for catalyzing partnerships for the SDGs at national, regional and global level

Research and guidance

Development of research and guidance documents in order inspire and guide collaboration and effective partnerships among all stakeholders

Resource Library

Open access and dissemination of material, guidance, partnership tools and case studies to enhance global understanding of partnerships for the SDGs

Webinars

Globally accessible webinars on a range of issues related to partnership development and delivery

Training of trainers

Building up a cohort of qualified Accelerator trainers in order to scale up training provision and enhance capacity over time to the local level

Global network of Partnership Accelerators

Supporting a global network of partnership practitioners for the SDGs, enhancing networking and sharing of insights with Member States and other stakeholders through global

Support to Small Island Developing States

Dedicated research and support to partnership development for Small Island Developing States

NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP ACCELERATOR WORKSHOPS

**National Partnership
Accelerator workshops carried out
in consultation with the UN Resident
Coordinators, bringing together national
stakeholders to foster effective
collaboration and partnerships to support
implementation of the Sustainable
Development Goals**

Below: Kenya Partnership Accelerator workshop, held on 9 to 11 December 2019, brought together over 40 development professionals committed to the implementation of the SDGs in Kenya, from the national government, UN entities, the private sector, academia and civil society.



SUPPORTING PARTNERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

The Partnership Accelerator provides direct support to countries and stakeholders on development of effective multi-stakeholder partnerships and partnership platforms

Below: The Partnership Accelerator is supporting the UN country team in Samoa in the design of a new partnership platform to tackle the country's recent challenges with measles. The partnership is being developed in response to the Government of Samoa's National Response and Recovery Appeal



SAMOA PARTNERSHIP PLATFORM FOR
IMMUNIZATION (P4I)

SUPPORTING SMALL ISLAND DEVELOPING STATES

**The Partnership Accelerator is supporting
Small Island Developing States (SIDS)
through SIDS specific national partnership
workshops and developing SIDS-specific
partnership training material**

