

Briefing on the Partnership Data for SDGs initiative during the UN General Assembly 2nd Committee

Organized by the Permanent Mission of Estonia, the Division for Sustainable Development of UN-DESA, UN Office for Partnerships, and UN Global Compact

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The **Partnership Data for SDGs** (**PD4SDGs**) initiative is a collaboration between the Division for Sustainable Development of UN-DESA, the UN Office for Partnerships and the UN Global Compact aimed at improving the transparency, accountability and the sharing of experiences of the work being carried out by multi-stakeholder partnerships and voluntary commitments in their support to the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

The initiative seeks to bring greater transparency, coherence, impact, and comparability of the work carried out by multi-stakeholder partnerships and voluntary commitments by promoting a system-wide use of the established SMART criteria – a partnership/commitment that is Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Resource-based, with clear and Time-based deliverables.

There is a growing trend to collect voluntary commitments and partnerships in support of UN conferences and processes dealing with sustainable development, sometimes with varying degree of associated level of details, which could lead to difficulty in reviewing impact, track progress and conduct in-depth and global comparability analyses on announced commitments and partnerships. It is against this background the Partnership Data for SDGs initiative has been developed.

The initiative is open for all entities within the United Nations that engage with, and promote the work of, multi-stakeholder partnerships and voluntary commitments in driving implementation of the SDGs.

The briefing aims to inform member States and other stakeholders about the objectives of the Partnership Data for SDGs initiative, followed by and open dialogue with questions and answers.

TIME	SESSION
01.15 PM – 01.25 PM	Welcoming remarks – H.E. Sven Jürgenson, Chair of the UNGA Second Committee, Permanent Representative of Estonia to the United Nations
01.25 PM - 01.45 PM	<u>Presentation</u> - Partnership Data for SDGs initiative – UN DESA
01.45 PM – 02.00 PM	Implementations: - UN Environment, on UNEA voluntary commitments - ILO's Decent Jobs for Youth, Ms. Amber Barth, International Labour Organization (ILO) Office for the UN (New York)
02.00 PM - 02.30 PM	Questions & Answers – all participants