



**Leadership Dialogue 5:  
Partnerships for Sustainable Development  
(Wednesday, 25 September, 15:05 – 16.00)**

The 2030 Agenda has called for a revitalized Global Partnership, working in a spirit of global solidarity, in particular with the poorest and the most vulnerable. Since the Agenda's adoption in 2015, Governments around the world have been working to mobilize the means required to implement it, supported by the concrete policies and actions outlined in the Addis Ababa Action Agenda and in the 2030 Agenda.

However, because of its unprecedented scope and breadth, this ambitious 2030 Agenda, and the 17 SDGs at its core, cannot be achieved by Governments alone. It is therefore encouraging that an increasing number of multi-stakeholder partnerships have been taking shape among Governments, the private sector, civil society, UN system and other relevant stakeholders, to fulfill this collective responsibility.

Multi-stakeholder partnerships for sustainable development have the potential to complement the global partnership, including by building bridges for cross sectoral collaboration, channeling knowledge, expertise, innovations as well as financial resources to develop concrete solutions, sometimes directly transforming the lives of those furthest behind.

In the next decade for acceleration actions for the SDGs, the effectiveness of development cooperation as well as multi-stakeholder partnerships will have a considerable impact on the success of the overall 2030 Agenda.

*Objective*

The session aims to discuss the progress of revitalizing the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development and international cooperation; identify impactful multi-stakeholder partnerships for SDG implementation and identify gaps to guide partnership development in the next decade; and to share good practices and lessons learned in overcoming the various challenges brought by the multi-stakeholder approach to improve partnership effectiveness.

*Guiding Questions*

- Where are we on revitalizing the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development?
- Where have multi-stakeholder partnerships been most effective in SDG implementation thus far? How might these be replicated and scaled-up to maximize impact?
- What challenges does the multi-stakeholder approach bring? What has worked in overcoming these challenges?