

SDG 16+ COALITION STRATEGY 2021-2023

SUMMARY

*A Vision for Joint Action to Advance More
Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies*



This document is a summary version of the SDG16+ Community's strategy (2021-2023). It was launched in January 2021 by community partners following a consultative process and can be accessed on the [SDG16Hub](#).

WHY SDG 16?

SDG16, agreed to in 2015 as part of the 2030 Agenda and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals, is an unprecedented commitment by the international community to build more peaceful, just and inclusive societies by 2030. 'SDG16+' is an extension of SDG16 and reflects how progress towards other goals and targets across the 2030 Agenda are enabled by SDG16 and how other goals and targets also contribute directly to peaceful, just and inclusive societies. The global COVID-19 pandemic, and the growing urgency of compounding global crises, makes the challenge of achieving SDG16+ a critical imperative for the international community, with a focus on "building back better." Today, nearly halfway to 2030, progress on SDG16+ is more urgent than ever. It is the critical need for collective and resolute efforts to deliver on SDG16+ that underpins this strategy and its vision.

WHAT IS THE SDG 16+ COALITION?

The SDG16+ Coalition is an informal, voluntary global coalition made up of SDG16+ initiatives, UN member states, multilateral organizations, public-private partnerships and civil society representatives all of whom are driven by a collective ambition to make progress on SDG16+. Guided by a spirit of collaboration and partnership, the SDG16+ Coalition aspires to: i) achieve common goals on SDG16+; ii) mobilize stakeholders at all levels; iii) support Agenda 2030 principles; iv) work collaboratively; and v) partner for shared results.

OUR LONG-TERM VISION

The SDG16+ Coalition's Long-Term Vision is to shape a more peaceful, just, inclusive and sustainable world by 2030 through enhanced collaboration, partnership and support amongst all SDG16+ stakeholders at all levels. This work is underpinned by the recognition that we maximize our reach and impact when many stakeholders speak with a unified voice and look to amplify existing efforts to achieve common objectives.

DELIVERING ON OUR VISION: BUILDING MOMENTUM TOWARDS 2023

To achieve our 2030 Vision, we will work collectively to advance a more cohesive, aware, capacitated and streamlined SDG16+ Coalition which enables and contributes to the achievement of SDG16+ at all levels. In particular, by 2023, we aim to do this as a coalition by:

1. Improving collaboration amongst SDG16+ partners for greater synergies and impact:

- Regularizing our interaction and joint initiatives.
- Expanding the coalition to engage new stakeholders and widen our knowledge and experience pool.
- Increasing the use of joint platforms to enhance engagement and collaboration.

2. Advocating and mobilizing for ambitious leadership and engagement around SDG16+:

- Advocating for ambitious SDG 16+ leadership, engagement and resource mobilization at global, regional and national levels in a manner responsive to COVID-19-recovery.
- Strengthening and mobilizing support for SDG16+, including through targeted engagement among policy makers and key stakeholders.

3. Enhancing knowledge-sharing and learning amongst the SDG16+ Coalition and beyond:

- Generating and disseminating knowledge and learning on SDG16+ related themes.
- Facilitating incoming requests for support or guidance from SDG16+ stakeholders.
- Supporting and enhancing the 16+ Forum Annual Showcase for sharing and learning.

4. Improving in-country localization and capacity building for SDG16+:

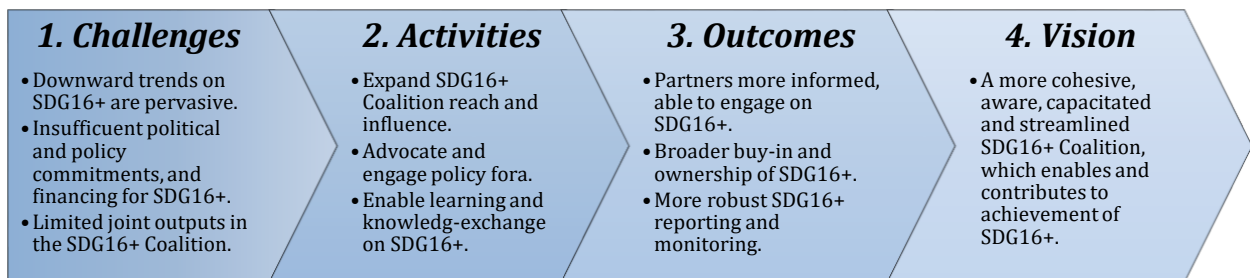
- Coordinating joint activities to support localization and capacity building efforts among stakeholders at the national and sub-national levels.
- Identifying additional opportunities for further support as the SDG16+ Coalition.

5. Strengthening Monitoring, Reporting and Accountability for SDG16+:

- Supporting monitoring and reporting mechanisms on SDG16+ at the national level.
- Strengthening engagement in SDG16+ monitoring and review processes at the global level.

THEORY OF CHANGE

How the SDG16+ Coalition envisions change and collective progress on SDG16+



SDG16+ AND COVID-19

Added challenges brought by the COVID-19 pandemic calls for us to intensify our efforts and renew our path towards the achievement of SDG16+ globally by means of multilateral collaboration and localization. Both the short-term and long-term effects of COVID-19 on socio-economic and political conditions worldwide, particularly in fragile and conflict-affected settings, remind us once again of the importance of peaceful, just and inclusive societies to achieving the 2030 Agenda. The SDG16+ Coalition therefore reiterates the importance of civil society's inclusion, trust and leadership, as well as social capital, collectivity and solidarity in our new way forward.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

To learn more about SDG16+, the SDG16+ Coalition or the strategy that will guide its efforts in the years to come, please visit the [SDG16Hub](#). Additional information as well as recommendations for overcoming the challenges of COVID-19 can be found in the [“Act Now For SDG16+” Joint Statement](#).

