



## ***SDG16+ In Action: A Civil Society Workshop for National and Local Leadership***

***Date: Tuesday, 23 November***

***Time: 9:00 – 10:30 AM EST / 14:00 – 15:30 GMT***

***Hosted by the [TAP Network](#), the [Civil Society Platform for Peacebuilding and Statebuilding \(CSPPS\)](#), [Namati](#), [CIVICUS](#) and the [Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict \(GPPAC\)](#)***

***Translation for this workshop will be available in English, Spanish, French and Arabic***

**Join us for a virtual workshop that will explore ways that civil society can enhance efforts to support bold and ambitious commitments to SDG16+, and will showcase opportunities for civil society to mobilize around to advance SDG16+ at the global and national levels. This event will be hosted in a workshop style, and will provide an opportunity for direct engagement and learning amongst participants.**

With the goal of providing a platform for peer-learning amongst civil society partners, this workshop will provide opportunities for national and local CSOs to dialogue and share experiences around SDG16+ in an interactive and dynamic exchange. It will feature encouraging case studies for civil society to learn from, including examples from the CSPPS Ready for Review project, and will provide an opportunity for learning and sharing amongst participants in attendance, and will showcase concrete tools and resources for civil society, such as the [SDG16+ Civil Society Toolkit](#).

At the global level, the event will explore new [TAP Partner Action Platform](#), which showcases concrete civil society commitments and actions to advance SDG16+ and SDG accountability from organizations around the world. In addition to highlighting the ambitious work of CSOs around the world, this platform also looks to provide a foundation for fostering greater collaboration, learning and engagement amongst civil society partners around SDG16+. It will also highlight the [Rome Civil Society Declaration for SDG16+](#) – a global call-to-action from civil society for governments to urgently implement SDG16+ – and the global storytelling initiative, the [Voices of SDG16+ Campaign](#), which seeks to elevate local civil society voices at the global level. It will also feature the work of the SDG16+ Localization Consortium – a coalition of global SDG16+ CSO networks working to strengthen capacities of civil society to effectively mainstream and localize SDG16+ within countries. This event will showcase how these platforms can support and propel action and exchange between civil society partners at the national and local levels.

**RSVP for this Virtual Workshop with Civil Society here**

### ***Background***

Since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda in 2015, progress towards SDG16+ has been slow and uneven – and in many cases backsliding. On top of this, global trends and forces continue to work against peaceful, just and inclusive societies, with political will from governments fading, financing lacking, and exclusion on the rise. The COVID-19 pandemic has placed unique pressures on the world's governing institutions, presenting once-in-a-generation challenges for all, while exacerbating existing global, existential challenges. However, in the absence of governments' commitment to SDG16+, civil society has played a leading role in advancing peaceful, just and inclusive societies, and will continue to play a critical role in ensuring that progress is made in this Decade of Action and Delivery for the SDGs.