# Driving progress on the SDGs at the local level

Lessons Learned from the UN Trust Fund for Human Security

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### The Trust Fund and Human Security Approach

- Complements existing tools and strategies, strengthens analytical frameworks and bolsters local action to scale up community efforts to accelerate implementation of the SDGs.
- Effective in addressing the interlinkages across the Goals and promoting policy coherence to unlock synergies for outcomes of broader and more sustainable impact.
- Since 2010, programmes supported by the Trust Fund have implemented comprehensive responses that integrate, on average, 6 to 7 SDGs.
- Initiatives bring together actors across sectors, institutions and levels of government based on a shared goal and a coherent action built upon each partners' comparative advantage.
- By delving deep to understand who and how different groups are impacted by crises or other challenges, makes meaningful inroads to meet the commitment to leave no one behind, improve gender equality, and engage youth.





#### Lessons learned: A transformative approach

Implementing the operational principles of human security fully and with adequate resources can lead to a genuine transformation of society through a multi-level approach:

- Comprhensively consider need and vulnerability
- Address gaps in institutional and policy infrastructure
- Build capacity and unleash capacity



Comprehensive analysis: A deep and comprehensive understanding of the situation, particularly for those in the most vulnerable situations.



#### Multistakeholder partnership:

Sustained
engagement for
integrated solutions,
pooled resources
and expertise, and a
foundation to bring
successful
initiatives to scale



#### Protection and empowerment:

Enhancing
coherence between
policies to advance
sustainable
development and
community-based
solutions is
imperative.



#### Trust and solidarity:

Collaboration
supports the
(re)building of
relationships and a
shared vision of the
future.





## Egypt: Scaling up development achievements through human security

- Generated platforms for inclusive multistakeholder engagement, such as the **Human Security Forums**, to strengthen bonds and create new opportunities for socioeconomic development.
- Ground-up approach harnessed local expertise and assets and promoted the essential bond between national and local authorities for achieving whole-of-government efforts that can catalyze multiplier effects.
- The application of human security helped unpack the structural, geographic, and identity-based conditions creating disadvantages for some groups such as women and youth.
- Demonstrates the added value of the human security approach for **localizing the SDGs, realizing the goal to leave no one behind**, and building meaningful **multi-stakeholder, multi-level partnership**s to ensure sustainability and scale-up of successful strategies.

