

"Multi-stakeholder partnerships have become an imperative in meeting our most critical global challenges. Harnessing the strength of the UN, governments, the private sector, civil society and the philanthropic community, we are focusing our efforts where they can have the biggest impact across the development agenda, and we are making important gains that are setting the stage for the breakthroughs of tomorrow."

- UN SECRETARY-GENERAL BAN KI-MOON



Launched by the Secretary-General in 2010, the EVERY WOMAN EVERY CHILD movement is accelerating action on the slowest moving of the MDG targets on maternal and child health. In just three years, the movement has mobilized commitments from more than 293 organizations, including over 70 governments, and about US \$ 45 billion to save and improve the lives of 16 million women and children by 2015. Beyond financial pledges, *Every Woman Every Child* partners have brought into play innovative accountability for resources and results, increased access to cost-effective medicines and health commodities, revolutionary mobile phone solutions for health, as well as action towards eradication of preventable child deaths and equitable access to voluntary family planning and vaccines.



The **SUSTAINABLE ENERGY FOR ALL** initiative is a multi-stakeholder partnership between governments, the private sector, and civil society, that draws on the global convening power of the United Nations and the World Bank. Launched by the UN Secretary-General in 2011, it has three interlinked objectives to be achieved by 2030: 1) Ensure universal access to modern energy services, 2) Double the global rate of improvement in energy efficiency, and 3) Double the share of renewable energy in the global energy mix. To date, more than 80 countries have partnered with the initiative, while thousands of civil society organizations and businesses have committed tens of billions of dollars towards the three objectives.



Since the Secretary-General launched the ZERO HUNGER CHALLENGE June 2012 efforts to reach the MDG of halving hunger have accelerated, with innovative new partnerships pursing his vision of an end to hunger in our lifetimes. Governments are partnering with civil society, business and the United Nations to reduce malnutrition and food waste, while boosting access to food, increasing smallholder incomes and improving the sustainability of food systems. Twenty-two countries have taken up the Challenge, with multi-stakeholder regional commitments in line with Zero Hunger in Asia and the Pacific, Africa and Latin America and the Caribbean. Both Mexico City and London are working towards becoming Zero Hunger Cities.



Since the **SUN MOVEMENT** was launched in 2010, 41 Countries have committed to scaling up nutrition with hundreds of actors across civil society, the United Nations, business and donor agencies aligning behind their plans. Almost US\$ 25 billion of external resources has been committed to nutrition, networks of supporters are expanding, and consensus is being reached on how best to improve the effectiveness of support to SUN countries. Members of the Movement are applying their expertise and knowledge in ways that are changing the discourse on nutrition, and this is beginning to make lasting transformations in ways of working together for effective action. The SUN Movement has created space to mobilise global support to scale up nutrition at country-level, enabling governments and their supporters to better achieve impact.

Global Education First Initiative

The United Nations Secretary-General launched the **GLOBAL EDUCATION FIRST** Initiative (GEFI) in September 2012. The historic Initiative has rallied together a broad spectrum of actors and spurred a global movement to put education right at the heart of the social, political and development agenda. In its first year, remarkable momentum has been built towards delivering on the three goals of the Initiative: 1) Putting every child in school, 2) Improving the quality of learning, and 3) Fostering global citizenship. GEFI has harnessed the collective power of partners to put education on the global agenda, provided a platform for youth to voice their demands for education, and helped the dialogue move from access to access + learning. <u>www. globaleducationfirst.org</u>



GLOBAL PULSE is an initiative of the Secretary-General, exploring how new, digital data sources and technologies can help policymakers gain a better understanding of changes in human well-being. As the UN's innovation hub, the initiative is transforming how we use real-time digital data to understand the needs of vulnerable populations and measure the impact of our programs. Recognizing both the urgent need for real-time information and the extraordinary opportunity "Big Data" represents for global development, Global Pulse brings together partners from government, the UN, academia, civil society and the private sector to collaborate on cutting-edge data innovations. Efforts to date have shown that data from social media, online search, and mobile phones can reveal insights about issues ranging from disease outbreak, food security and unemployment to disaster impacts. Global Pulse is headquartered in New York, with field offices known as Pulse Labs in Indonesia and Uganda.

Call to Action on SANITATION

Recognizing that greater progress on sanitation is essential for fighting poverty and for achieving all of the MDGs, the CALL TO ACTION ON **SANITATION**, launched by the Deputy Secretary-General on behalf of the Secretary-General, is a renewed effort to drive progress on sanitation and water goals as we head towards 2015 and beyond. The Call to Action on Sanitation builds on the strong commitment already made by Member States to take action through the Sanitation Drive to 2015 endorsed by the UN General Assembly in 2010, as well as specific pledges under the Sanitation and Water for All partnership. Progress on sanitation will promote better health and a sounder environment, especially for the most vulnerable women and children of our world. It will allow the poorest people in the world to live in fuller dignity. Solutions exist and affordable, safe, effective and sustainable approaches and technologies are available. They just need to be prioritized and scaled up. The MDGs have raised the awareness of sanitation needs and have helped mobilize action - 1.8 billion people have gained access to toilets or latrines since 1990. But 2.5 billion still lack basic sanitation – we still have far to go.

