PARTNERSHIPS: WHY THEY MATTER

What’s the goal here?
To revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

Why?
In 2015, world leaders adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development that aims to end poverty, tackle inequalities and combat climate change. We need everyone to come together—governments, civil society, scientists, academia and the private sector—to achieve the sustainable development goals.

Why does this matter to me?
We are all in this together. The Agenda, with its 17 Sustainable Development Goals, is universal and calls for action by all countries, both developed countries and developing countries, to ensure no one is left behind.

Strong international cooperation is needed now more than ever to ensure that countries have the means to achieve the SDGs.
How much progress have we made?

Support for implementing the SDGs is gaining momentum, but major challenges remain. A growing share of the global population has access to the Internet, and a Technology Bank for Least Developed Countries has been established, yet the digital divide persists.

As partners, what would we need to do to achieve the Agenda?

We will need to mobilize both existing and additional resources—technology development, financial resources, capacity building—and developed countries will need to fulfill their official development assistance commitments.

Multistakeholder partnerships will be crucial to leverage the inter-linkages between the Sustainable Development Goals to enhance their effectiveness and impact and accelerate progress in achieving the Goals.

How can we ensure the resources needed are effectively mobilized and monitored?

This will be primarily the responsibility of countries. Reviews of progress will need to be undertaken regularly in each country, involving civil society, business and representatives of various interest groups. At the regional level, countries will share experiences and tackle common issues, while on an annual basis, at the United Nations, the High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development (HLPF), they will take stock of progress at the global level, identifying gaps and emerging issues, and recommending corrective action.

What can we do to help?

Join/create a group in your local community that seeks to mobilize action on the implementation of the SDGs.

Encourage your governments to partner with businesses for the implementation of the SDGs.

Register your initiatives on the SDGs Partnerships Platform to inform, educate, network, and be inspired!

https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/partnerships

To find out more about Goal #17 and other Sustainable Development Goals, visit:

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