

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Civil Society Platform on SDGs

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SDGS

Follower of MDGs

17 goals and 169 targets (231 indicators)

Universal goals harmonising economic growth, social inclusions and environmental protection

Overarching goal: to eradicate poverty

Calls for action by all countries to ensure that no one is left behind

WHAT'S NEW?

More ambitious

Inclusive processes

Indicators and means of implementation are included from the beginning

Universal – for all countries

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HOW DID WE GET HERE (INTERNATIONAL LEVEL)

Rio +20 – “The Future We Want”

Open Working Group (OWG) drafted the goals and targets

Intergovernmental discussions at UN level

Finally adopted September 2015 at the UN Sustainable Development Summit in NY

Indicator Framework and Financing for Development

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HOW DID WE GET HERE (NATIONAL LEVEL)

National Technical Steering Committee

- Hosted by EPA

High-Level Interministerial Committee

- Chaired by NDPC

Committee for FfD

- Chaired by MOF

The 17 SDGs



THE 17 GOALS

GOAL 1 End poverty in all its forms everywhere

GOAL 2 End hunger, achieve food security and improved nutrition and promote sustainable agriculture

GOAL 3 Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

GOAL 4 Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

GOAL 5 Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

GOAL 6 Ensure availability and sustainable management of water and sanitation for all

GOAL 7 Ensure access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

THE 17 GOALS

GOAL 8 Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

GOAL 9 Build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive and sustainable industrialization and foster innovation

GOAL 10 Reduce inequality within and among countries

GOAL 11 Make cities and human settlements inclusive, safe, resilient and sustainable

GOAL 12 Ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns

GOAL 13 Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts*

GOAL 14 Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development

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GOAL 15 Protect, restore and promote sustainable use of terrestrial ecosystems, sustainably manage forests, combat desertification, and halt and reverse land degradation and halt biodiversity loss

GOAL 16 Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

GOAL 17 Strengthen the means of implementation and revitalize the global partnership for sustainable development

IMPLEMENTATION ON NATIONAL LEVEL

SDGs will be integrated into existing development plans

- GSGDA II and the LTNDP
- Align, Adopt and Adapt
- NDPC is the lead

Nationalising the indicator framework

- International indicator framework still under review
- Mapping of available data
- GSS lead in nationalising SDG indicators

CHALLENGES

Adequate development data

Coordination in civil society

Resources of state institutions

Collaboration between GOG, private sector and Civil Society

Information sharing

Public awareness

THE CSO PLATFORM ON SDGS

A civil society platform with 95 member organisations working towards the achievement of the SDGs by 2030

Vision: **Under revision**

Mission: To serve as a coordinating Platform for Ghana's Civil Society in pursuit of achieving the SDGs by 2030

ESTABLISHING THE NATIONAL PLATFORM

May 2015: Initial discussions on SDGs and the role of civil society

June 2015: meeting by the National Technical Steering Committee

- CSOs were identified around each goal

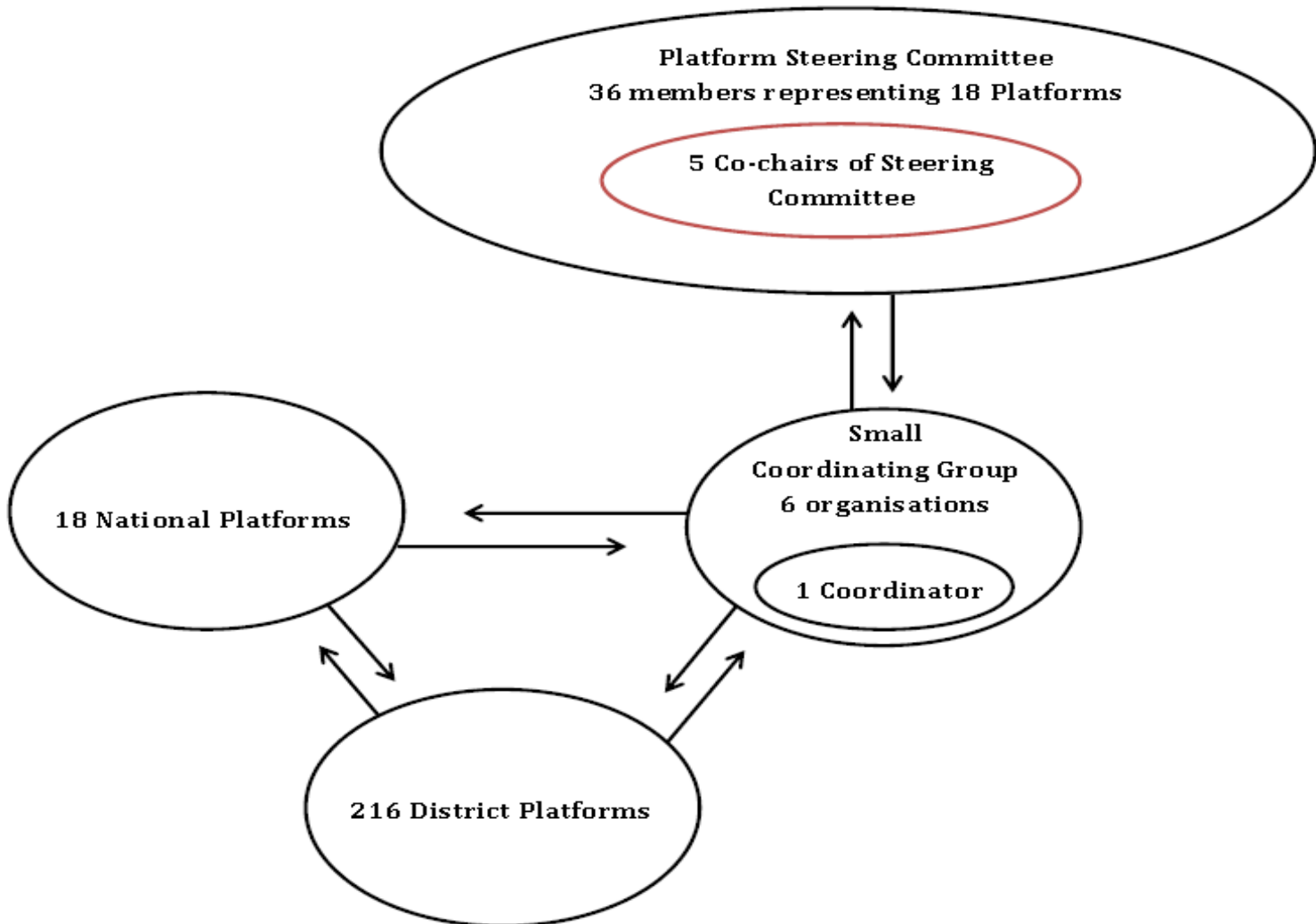
October 2015: First platform meeting

- Platform is established by CS
- Conveners and members identified for each goal and advocacy

May 2016: Second platform meeting

- Steering Committee is formed

THE PLATFORM STRUCTURE



THE STEERING COMMITTEE

Decision-making body

36 appointed SC members representing the 18
Platforms

Two meetings held for strategic direction

THE 18 PLATFORMS

18 Platforms (one for each SDG and one on Advocacy)

One convener and 2-5 co-conveners for each platform

- Membership drive
- Platform meetings
- Joint activities (research, advocacy, field trips)
- Strategize for coordinated efforts and prioritise targets

ENGAGEMENTS WITH STAKEHOLDERS

Meetings held with external stakeholders to discuss collaborations on achieving SDGs by 2030

Meetings held with

- NDPC
- UN Resident Coordinator
- Ghana Statistical Service
- UNIC and Philanthropy Platform on SDGs

NEXT STEPS

Localising the SDGs

- SDG Platforms across the 17 goals in all districts in Ghana

Establish functional Secretariat and formalised structures

Continue engagements with external stakeholders

Membership drive

THANK YOU

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