Partnerships in the UN System

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## UN-BUSINESS PARTNERSHIP TRENDS

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<th><strong>800+</strong></th>
<th><strong>400</strong></th>
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<td>Active UN-Business partnerships estimated across the Organization, an upward growth trend</td>
<td>UN Global Compact companies report current or past UN partnerships</td>
<td>UN entities and over 90 staff in Private Sector Focal Points Network</td>
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<th><strong>10+</strong></th>
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<td>Entities created new strategies for partnership/due diligence since 2014</td>
<td>of UN-business partnerships measured and reported - M&amp;E and reporting remain major challenge</td>
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*Source: 2017 GA Report: Towards global partnerships: a principle-based approach to enhanced cooperation between the United Nations and all relevant partners*
## BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES

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<td>See cross-sector partnerships as critical to enabling business to help achieve the SDGs</td>
<td>Believe the SDGs provide an opportunity to rethink approaches to sustainable value creation</td>
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<td>Say commitment to sustainability is translating to real impact in their industry</td>
<td>Believe that greater collaboration across sectors will be critical in progressing Agenda 2030</td>
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*Source: Global Compact-Accenture CEO Study 2017*
UN SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT REFORM

"To deliver on the promise of a prosperous and peaceful future, development actors will have to find new ways of working together and leveraging genuine partnerships that make the most of expertise, technology and resources for sustainable and inclusive growth.

Secretary-General H.E. António Guterres, June 2017"

Source: A/72/684: Repositioning the United Nations development system to deliver on the 2030 Agenda (link)
KEY GUIDING FRAMEWORKS

- GA Resolution 70/224: “Towards Global Partnerships”
- New common templates and frameworks under development through UNSDG

1. Respecting the 10 Principles and Implementing the Guidelines
2. Strengthening Due Diligence and Risk Management
3. Streamlining processes and enhancing transparency, Reporting, and Impact
UN SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT REFORM

1. System-wide approach
   agree on system-wide approach to partnership

2. Integrity & Due Diligence
   “Acceptance of the 10 principles of the GC as a common partnership standard”, Integrity Task Force

3. Global Compact Local Networks
   Improve governance and impact to strengthen SDG integration locally, in particular SMEs

4. UNOP will be established as the UN’s global gateway for partnerships

5. Continued partnership with World Bank and other International Financial Institutions

6. Invigorate support to South-South cooperation
ENHANCING PARTNERSHIP IMPACT

**GLOBAL**
- Mobilizing Senior Leadership With a System-wide Approach
- Sustainable Development Strategic Results Group (UNSDG)
- Strategic Partnerships
  - SDG Implementation
  - Business Innovation
  - Strategic Financing

**LOCAL**
- Resident Coordinators and Country Teams
- Global Compact Local Networks
UN GLOBAL COMPACT

>9,500 businesses committed to the Ten Principles of the UN Global Compact

>3,000 non-business members in 161 countries

71 Local networks

28% Fortune 500

66 million working in a company active in the UN Global Compact

Human Rights  
Labour  
Environment  
Anti-Corruption
The UN Global Compact Engagement Model: A principles-based approach to sustainable business

Unique principles-based platform anchored in the UN

Publicly share your commitments and progress

Efficient access to expertise and knowledge

Achieve your sustainability objectives

Global reach and local connections

Help shape the future corporate sustainability agenda
ACTION PLATFORMS

- Reporting on the SDGs
- Breakthrough Innovation for the SDGs
- Financial Innovation for the SDGs
- Pathways to Low-Carbon and Resilient Development
- Water Security through Stewardship
- Sustainable Ocean Business
- Health is Everyone’s Business
- Decent Work in Global Supply Chains
- Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions
**DRIVING IMPACT THROUGH LOCAL NETWORKS**

1,500+ awareness raising and capacity building workshops and events aimed at engaging at least 14,000 companies and close to 4,000 companies in public-private partnerships

205 policy dialogue initiatives involving over 6,000 companies in policy discussions with local government.
LOCAL SDG IMPLEMENTATION: LN-UN COLLABORATION

I. Creating **awareness** about the SDG Agenda and positioning the role of UNGC and the 10 principles within it, as well as giving global and international visibility and scalability to local actions.

II. Contributing to **mainstream** business strategies alignment with the SDG.

III. Participating in **public private policy** dialogues:
   - To incorporate sustainable business contribution to SDG National Plans
   - To incorporate sustainable business indicators to SDG Results frameworks

IV. Implementation of public private **multistakeholder partnerships**.

V. Mobilization of **private financial** resources for SDG implementation.
UN PRIVATE SECTOR FOCAL POINTS

54 UN Entities

141 Participants

ACTIVITIES

UN-Business Partnerships
Coordination (UNGA, HLPF)
Knowledge Sharing
Capacity Building
Due diligence
Partnership brokering
PARTNERSHIP TOOLS & RESOURCES

Transforming Partnerships for the SDGs

UN-Business Partnership Handbook

A 10-step guide for creating effective UN-Business partnerships

The Partnership Passport