LOCAL & REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS

GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP: TRANSFORMING THE WAY WE WORK TOGETHER

With only halfway to go till we reach the 2030 deadline and with overlapping challenges and crises, we must strengthen political momentum for and champion development co-operation that is country-owned, focused on results, inclusive, and transparent and mutually accountable – the four principles of development effectiveness. By bringing diverse development actors together on the basis of a principle-led approach, the Global Partnership fosters trust and policy action in countries. It provides new and relevant evidence that empowers country-level actors to understand and tackle challenges towards better development co-operation.

WHY LOCAL & REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS?

Majority of the SDGs targets fall under the realm of responsibility of local and regional governments — the institutions closest to citizens and at the forefront of the sustainable development agenda.

They are key innovators and lead the way to bring the holistic nature of the agenda to life by working closely with public, private and civil society sectors and levels of governance, as well as connecting and aligning local, national and global agendas.

HOW? LOCAL AND REGIONAL GOVERNMENTS ARE UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO:

- **Strengthen trust** by ensuring that local policies and operations are aligned, inclusive, transparent, focusing on accountability for results — the key principles of the effectiveness agenda.

- **Implement decentralized development co-operation** and engage in innovative, cost-effective, peer-to-peer horizontal exchanges for mutual capacity building and policy learning.

- **Advocate for adequate disaggregated data** to inform decisions and allocate resources, ensuring that marginalized groups are included.

- **Ensure** development co-operation projects follow a clear results chain by setting and monitoring meaningful, realistic targets to deliver on agreed results.

REACH OUT TO YOUR REPRESENTATIVE & BE PART OF CRITICAL DISCUSSIONS:

- **Tackle real-time challenges through** investing in effective relationships with all relevant players and partners to leverage the comparative advantages of each of them and maximize results for citizens, in particular those furthest behind.

- **Raise the profile** of local and regional governments in the development co-operation effectiveness agenda to enable open dialogue with central governments to align actions to country priorities, ensure coordination to enable local actors to deliver in their specific contexts, and increase accountability.

- **Showcase and ensure support** for impact, insights, success stories and good practices of decentralized development co-operation actors.

- **Advocate for predictable and sustainable financing** from public and private sources to local and regional governments to face their SDG commitments.

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