The Global Partnership and SDG Target 17.16

**Target 17.16**
Enhancing multi-stakeholder partnerships for development in support of the achievement of the SDGs

**What does SDG target 17.16 stand for and why is it important?**

Accelerating the achievement of the SDGs necessitates collective actions by different stakeholders across sectors. A multi-stakeholder partnership enables a wide range of development stakeholders to actively contribute to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

This target is measured by SDG indicator 17.16.1: Number of countries reporting progress in multi-stakeholder development effectiveness monitoring frameworks that support the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

This indicator establishes the benchmark to:

- Measure countries’ efforts to enhance multi-stakeholder partnerships
- Capture the different roles and responsibilities of development actors

**How does the GPEDC monitoring exercise link with the SDG target 17.16?**

The monitoring exercise is the GPEDC flagship instrument, supporting governments and their partners to track the implementation of the effectiveness principles: country ownership, focus on results, inclusive partnerships, and transparency and mutual accountability. The GPEDC monitoring is the official source of data for this SDG indicator.

As custodians for this indicator and the Joint Secretariat for the GPEDC, OECD and UNDP submit country-specific and aggregate data to the United Nations Statistical Division for the global SDG reporting process.

**Since 2011, 99 countries participated in 3 monitoring rounds** (2014, 2016, 2018)

**2023 - 2026: 4th monitoring round**

**How is SDG indicator 17.16.1 measured?**

SDG indicator 17.16.1 monitors the contribution and behavior of both provider and recipient countries in establishing more effective, inclusive multi-stakeholder partnerships to support and sustain the implementation of the 2030 Agenda. It does so by measuring their respective commitments to strengthen the quality of their development partnerships.

It is a composite indicator that draws on the results of elements of the Global Partnership’s monitoring framework relevant to:

- partner country governments
- bilateral development partners

**Progress is achieved when:**
the number of elements of the framework showing a positive trend exceeds the number of elements showing a negative trend

**What do the results show us about progress in establishing more effective multi-stakeholder partnerships?**

The results of the 3rd Monitoring Round (2018):

**56 countries** reported overall progress towards strengthening multi-stakeholder partnerships to implement the 2030 Agenda.

- **Partner Countries**
  - Overall progress in:
    - Quality of public financial management systems
    - Facilitating mutual accountability

- **Development Partners**
  - Overall progress in:
    - Reporting on development co-operation activities and flows
    - Untying aid

- **Enhancing the effectiveness of partnerships requires, among others:**
  - Increasing the space for civil society
  - Inclusive public-private dialogue

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