

VOLUNTARY LOCAL REVIEW PRESENTATION

**PRESENTATION BY CITY OF HARARE
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PRESENTATION OUTLINE



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- ROLE OF LGS IN IMPLEMENTATION OF SDGS

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INTRODUCTION



- This presentation provides an overview of the City of Harare's participation in the Voluntary Local Review Process on the implementation of sustainable development goals
- Local authorities functions cut across all the SDGs, including eradication of poverty and hunger, reduction of inequalities, climate mitigation and adaptation, promotion of safety and good governance and in ensuring access to quality education and health care, clean water and sanitation, affordable energy, transportation, sustainable waste management

CITY CORE FUNCTIONS



- To provide potable water and waste water management.
- To provide trafficable roads.
- To provide an efficient and effective public transport system.
- To provide an efficient and effective solid waste management system.
- To provide decent and affordable accommodation.
- To provide comprehensive and accessible health services.
- To provide comprehensive and accessible social services.
- To provide efficient public safety and emergency services.
- To promote sound local governance.
- To promote sound environmental management systems
- To provide coordinated and orderly spatial development.
- To mobilise and ensure efficient utilisation of resources

WHY THE CITY PARTICIPATED IN THE VLR

- To assess the progress towards the SDGs and the gaps which must be closed for them to be achieved by 2030. This assessment was conducted through key trends analysis and key stakeholder interviews
- To review the city's development policy framework to assess its effectiveness in terms of contributing towards the attainment of SDGs
- To contribute to the strengthening of the governance, policy and institutional framework underpinning the implementation of SDGs in the City
- To provide evidence on local, regional and global best practices in terms of implementation of SDGs
- To establish the level of knowledge and awareness of SDGs in the city through a perception survey
- To proffer policy suggestions to close the gaps, overcome obstacles and deal with emerging challenges; and
- To help mobilise strategic action towards the attainment of SDGs.

HOW DID WE DO IT?

- The VLR in Harare was conducted with support from the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa(UNECA) who engaged an independent local consultant to carry out consultations with key stakeholders (who included the central gvt, residents associations, development partners, CSOs, the private sector, residents, persons with disabilities, academia);
- Carry out literature review of key policy documents
- Undertake empirical analysis of available data and SDG indicators; and then put together the VLR report.
- The review process was undertaken from January 2020 to June 2020, and inception and validation meetings were held at the start and end of the VLR process.
- The VLR allowed the City to take stock of the progress the City has made and the challenges in terms of the implantation of the Agenda 2030 and the Agenda 2063 at a local level.
- The VLR also came up with recommendations to ensure the attainment of SDGs in Harare. The VLR process has also provided an opportunity for networking and learning from other Cities.



BENEFITS

- Identification of gaps
- Identification of key priority areas
- Funding of the key priority areas
- Institutionalisation of SDGS in City Planning, Budgeting and implementation of various projects and programmes
- A tool to shape local action



GAPS

- Lack of good local data makes it a challenge for the City to design appropriate and specific policies
- Lack of data makes it difficult to measure performance
- Funding challenges
- Inadequate resources to fund the projects and programmes to support implementation of SDGs
- Rising incidence of informality which affects the capacity of the City to mobilise resources to finance sustainable development

DID THE VLR LEAD TO CHANGES IN STRATEGIES, PLANS ETC?

C	Key Result Area	Weightage (%)	Responsible Departments	Sector KRA Reference	SDG Reference	Ministry Reference
1.	Provision of Sound Local Governance and Administration,	20	TC (CS, HCD, DHCS, DOW, FD, CH, HW)	3	5, 8, 10, 12, 13,15, 16, 17	1
2.	Public Health Services delivery	15	TC, CH, FD, HW, CS	5	2, 3	2
3.	Provision of affordable and quality Education, settlements, social services and amenities	30	TC, DHCS, FD,DOW, HW	6	1, 2, 4, 6, 11	2
4.	Infrastructure Development, Maintenance and Utilities	20	TC (CS, HCD, DHCS, DOW, FD, CH, HW)	7	4, 6, 7, 9, 11	3
5.	City enforcement, public safety, Security Services and emergency services provision	15	CS, DOW, TC	3	5, 8, 10, 12, 13,15, 16, 17	1

KEY TIPS

- Involvement of all the key stakeholders throughout the VLR process is critical to ensure that no one is left behind.
- Importance of greater collaboration between Cities and local statistical agencies to address the serious data gaps and strengthen local data collection.
- Enhancing public awareness around SDGs is critical to ensure buy-in and empower the local communities and residents to take local action in their local communities.

CONCLUSION





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