

Transformational Partnerships: national platforms and practical tools to promote collaboration, policy integration and coherence

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The 2030 Agenda is built on a fundamental shift in approach to international development: engaging the unique roles and resources of all sectors of society and requiring extensive collaboration across sectors to achieve its ambitious goals.

COVID-19 has underscored the importance of enhancing collaboration and effective partnerships among all sectors and stakeholders - not only in facing the immense challenges posed by the pandemic, but also to build back better. Multi-stakeholder collaboration is thus an important mechanism to recover from COVID-19 while implementing the sustainable development goals. Partnerships are essential to build more sustainable, resilient, and inclusive societies.

More impactful, transformational development requires an innovative approach to multi-stakeholder partnerships. Yet, understanding and capturing their impact is a challenging undertaking. Partnership platforms for the SDGs are key national mechanisms for generating and brokering new partnerships, providing coherence and coordination among stakeholders, and aligning investments for SDG implementation.

The training session will provide participants with insights and practical tools on:

- How multi-stakeholder partnerships generate transformational change
- How to manage partnerships effectively
- How national partnership platforms support partnerships
- What value partnerships add and the impact they can have
- Tracking and measuring impacts of partnerships, with focus on their added value
- In-depth case study of partnerships for sustainable development in Zimbabwe, including their National Development Strategies and 2021 Voluntary National Review

Agenda

Time (EDT)	Agenda
Moderator	Ms. Jenny Ekelund, The Partnering Initiative
8:30-8:35 AM	Welcoming Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ms. Julia Wegner, Head of Division Civil Society, Private Entities
8:35-9:20 AM	Supporting partnerships at the national level – case study of Zimbabwe <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Christy Davis, former Executive Director, Asia P3 Hub • Mr. S. Masanga, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Public Service, Labour and Social Welfare • Ms. Judith Kaulem, Executive Director, Poverty Reduction Trust and Coordinator, Civil Society Organisations Reference Group on SDGs <p>Questions and discussion</p>
9:20-9:30 AM	Virtual coffee break
9:30- 10:15 AM	Understanding and measuring the value-add and impact of multistakeholder partnerships <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Darian Stibbe, The Partnering Initiative – understanding partnership value creation • Ms. Susanne Salz, Partnerships2030- tools for measuring impact of partnerships <p>Questions and discussion</p>