

Partnerships

Sustainability through innovative collaboration



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What are Partnerships?

Voluntary multi-stakeholder initiatives which contribute to implementation of inter-governmental sustainable development commitments in:



Agenda 21



Programme of the Further
Implementation of Agenda 21



Johannesburg Plan of
Implementation



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Mandate on Partnerships

- Acknowledging that no single actor, government, civil society or private sector, could achieve sustainable development on their own.



- In 2002, partnerships were recognized as an important complementary outcome of the World Summit on Sustainable Development (WSSD).

- The WSSD designated the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) as the focal point for discussions on partnerships for sustainable development.



Criteria and Guidelines

At CSD-11 in 2003, the partnerships criteria and guidelines were agreed.

Criteria and Guidelines

Partnerships for Sustainable Development

Partnerships should be based on the following principles:

- 1) Partnerships are voluntary, mutually beneficial, to governments and relevant stakeholders, and major groups and institutional arrangements.
- 2) Partnerships should contribute to the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation, and should not divert from commitments contained in those agreements.
- 3) Partnerships are not intended to substitute for commitments made by Governments to implement the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and for
- 4) Partnerships should be widely encouraged with the intention of meeting the specific Commitments that they make in the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation.
- 5) Partnerships should be consistent with national laws, national interests and the implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21, and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation, as well as the priorities of countries where they implementation which plans.

Criteria and Guidelines

Governments agreed at the 11th Session of the Cor



What is unique?

As outlined in the Criteria and Guidelines, partnerships for sustainable development have:

- An integrated approach to addressing economic, social and environmental aspects of sustainable development
- A sectoral and geographic balance
- A transparent and accountable design
- Concrete value addition to implementation of sustainable development



Partnership Registration Options

- ✓ Initiatives that have committed partners, and confirmed resources, and meet the remaining partnership criteria and guidelines are encouraged to register as a **Partnership for Sustainable Development**.
- ✓ Initiatives that are still at a proposal stage, and have yet to confirm partners and/or funding are welcome to register as a **Partnership Proposal**.



Benefits of Registering

Registered Partnerships can:



Share information through the CSD Partnerships database.

Network, present updates and showcase progress at the CSD Partnerships Fair.



Provide input to summary reports prepared for the Commission on Sustainable Development.



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Registration Options



Use the online Partnerships Registration Form by creating a profile at <http://esa.un.org/dsd/public/>

Use the MS Word version of the Partnerships Registration Form and send it to the Partnerships Team:



Via E-mail: to beyondwssd@un.org



Via Fax: to +1 917 367 2341



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CSD Partnerships Database



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Partnerships for Sustainable Development - CSD Partnerships Database

Now listing 321 partnerships

Voluntary multi-stakeholder initiatives contributing to the implementation of Agenda 21, Rio+5 and the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation (JPOI).



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The CSD Partnerships database was first launched in February 2004, in response to a request from the Commission on Sustainable Development (CSD) at its 11th session.

This database has been recently redesigned to provide easier access to partnerships-related information and listings of partnerships-related web links.

Now listing 321 partnerships

enable search

e-DESA User Login

Username

Password

[Edit/Register Partnerships](#)

The information contained in this online resource is based on voluntary self-reports from partnerships registered with the Commission on Sustainable Development.

The CSD Partnerships database currently lists 321 Partnerships for Sustainable development.



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Database Browse

The database has a variety of browse functions:

Browse Database



Browse the CSD Partnerships Database by an alphabetical listing of partnership titles, geographic scope or lead partner name.

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Browse by Title - A

Browse by Geographic scope - Sub-regional

Browse by Partner - A

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z Others All

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Lead Partner: ASEAN Regional Center Biodiversity Conservation (ARCBC)

South-East Asian Partnership on Access to Genetic Resource and Equitable Sharing of Benefits

Lead Partner: Academy for Educational Development (AED)

NetMark Plus: A Public-Private Partnership for Sustainable Malaria Prevention



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Database Search

The database has numerous search parameters:

The screenshot shows a search interface with three main sections highlighted by callout boxes:

- Keywords:** A text input field with a search icon and a help icon. Below it, a label reads "Restrict your search to partnerships that include the following keywords:".
- Partner organization name:** A text input field with a search icon and a help icon. Below it, a label reads "Restrict your search to partnerships with the following partner organization:".
- Themes:** A section with a label "Restrict your search to partnerships working in one or more of the following thematic areas". It includes radio buttons for "Where the selected themes are the primary theme" and "Where the selected themes are either the". Below this is a list of "Available" themes: Agriculture, Air pollution / Atmosphere, Biodiversity, Biotechnology, Changing unsustainable patterns of consumption and production, and Chemicals. To the right is a "Selected" list with arrows for moving items between the two lists.

In addition, the advanced search option also includes parameters such as capacity-building activities, country of implementation, etc.



Fundraising Functions

The database makes it possible for donors to search for partnerships based on the type of additional resources required.

The screenshot shows a search interface titled "Search for Partnerships Seeking Resources". It includes the following elements:

- A introductory paragraph: "You have two ways of using this search. You can restrict your search to partnerships that meet:" followed by radio buttons for "ALL of the criteria you select" (selected) and "ANY of the criteria you select".
- A note: "Select one or more of the search criteria below. When you have made your selection, click on the Search button." and a link to "Click on the help icon for more information about this search criterion."
- Keywords:** A text input field with a search icon and a help icon.
- Funding:** A section with a label "Restrict your search" and radio buttons for "ARE seeking additional funding" (selected) and "ARE NOT seeking additional funding".
- Non-financial resources:** A section with a label "Show partnerships which need any of the following non-financial resources:" and checkboxes for "computers", "office space", "staff", and "other".
- A checkbox at the bottom: "Show Advance Search options".



Analytical Functions

The database makes it possible for users to access trend statistics on partnership data.

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Education = 257 Human_Resources = 219 Institutional_Strengthening = 150 Other = 2 Technology_Transfer = 151

Water and Sanitation Partnerships

A total of 77 partnerships in the partnerships database have a primary focus on either water or sanitation.

- 53% have a global scope; 10% have regional scope; 23% have sub-regional scope and 13% have either national or local scope.
- 86% have an educational component
- 67% have a training component
- 59% involve technology transfer/exchange



Partnership Example: WAC



Water for Asian Cities

- Promoting urban water demand management and integrated urban environmental sanitation
- Income generation through community-based water and sanitation services
- Pro-poor urban water governance
- Monitoring progress towards achieving MDG targets in the water and sanitation sector in Asian cities



Partnership Example: Watergy



Watergy - Addressing Municipal Water Challenges through Energy and Water Efficiency Partnerships

- Building institutional capacity to improve water and energy resource management
- Promoting energy-efficient technologies and practices, in optimizing and modernizing municipal water supply systems
- Developing innovative financing mechanisms for projects to improve energy use in water delivery



Partnership Example: WASH



Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) for all Initiative

- Promotes teaching basic sanitation and hygiene as a necessary complement to water and sanitation infrastructure projects.
- Focuses on demand-creation, behavioural change, capacity building and implementation, to reach 15 million people with sanitation and hygiene by 2015.



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Partnership Example: PAWS



Partners for Water and Sanitation (PAWS)

- Works with developing countries to provide knowledge and expertise to help supply clean water and adequate sanitation
- Addresses the MDGs for water and sanitation
- Has members from three sectors: government departments, private enterprises from water companies to engineering groups, and NGOs.



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Upcoming: Partnerships e-Forum



- Connect with other partnership practitioners
- Share practical approaches “what works, what doesn’t”



Building a knowledge network

Through online resources, information tools, publications and meetings...

-  Facilitate communication and exchange
-  Promote practical learning
-  Encourage replicability and scaling up



To cultivate the creation of communities of practice on partnerships for sustainable development.

