

# Better data. Better decisions. Better lives.

Data and technology hold the potential to catalyze progress on sustainable development.

We connect leaders, experts, and communities, brokering political coalitions and partnerships to build up the data systems, skills, and knowledge to drive smarter decisions, accountability, and real impact.

Join us in advancing this mission.



Global challenges like **climate change, inequality, and health crises** are made worse by a data crisis: too often the information to act is missing, outdated, or inaccessible.

The Global Partnership brings a focused lens to development challenges where the right data, used well, can catalyze progress. From mitigating climate-related disease outbreaks, to tackling persistent food insecurity, or leveraging emerging technologies to deliver sustainable and equitable development.

## Back data to save lives

Countries can't protect people if they don't know what is happening. Incomplete data and slow coordination can worsen or even create disasters. Strengthening data systems and capacities helps predict and respond to critical environmental and health risks, and informs better policies, increased resilience, and more effective use of resources.

When COVID-19 arrived in early 2020, the Global Partnership and ECA quickly mobilized to deliver the data, technology, and tools, governments in 22 African countries needed. When Tropical Cyclone Gati made landfall on Puntland's coastline in November 2020, the Puntland Statistics Department were able to use the same tools and skills to map the cyclone's path and coordinate an interagency relief strategy.

By leveraging existing data, building local capacities, and brokering cross-sector national partnerships, we deliver impact through fit-for-purpose initiatives that are sustainable and scalable.

Collaborators: Gates Foundation, Somalia - Puntland, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), GRID3



In Nigeria, we supported health authorities to access and use the data and AI tools to preemptively identify areas at high risk of cholera outbreaks, thereby reducing response time and outbreak severity.

In Senegal, our collaboration with IsDB and the government delivered more up-to-date and accessible data on crop yields, rainfall, and land use. These data are helping to protect lives and livelihoods by enabling critical agriculture decisions to be made in weeks rather than months.



## Building local capacities nurtures home-grown solutions

Data is an incredible resource. But like any raw material its value comes from how it is processed and refined. If local institutions don't have the systems and skilled experts to analyze, translate, and communicate data, this resource goes to waste.

We deliver tailored capacity building to enable data to align local data capacities with national development priorities. Working closely with country partners and drawing on the expertise across our broad network we co-create fit-for-purpose solutions.

In Suriname, we integrated Earth Observation data into national data systems and delivered in-depth training to experts from 16 institutions. This enabled local experts to quantify the impacts of artisanal gold mining in Suriname, supporting evidence-based policies to protect the environment.

Collaborators: Islamic Development Bank; the Inter-American Development Bank; the Government of Suriname; Assimila; the Foundation for Forest Management and Forest Control

*"By creating **partnerships** and developing **innovative solutions**, we can promote sustainable practices that benefit both ecology and the economy."*

- Mr. Ruben Ravenberg,  
General Director of the Foundation  
for Forest Management and  
Production Control

## A decade of global impact

Since 2015 the Global Partnership network has grown to include over **700 partners** across the world.

Together we've strengthened data use in **58 countries**, enabling evidence-based policies and decisions that could benefit **1.2 billion people**.

- **2,400** data professionals trained
- **200** data partnerships brokered
- **81** High-level political commitments to data

## WAYS TO WORK WITH US



### Bring data solutions to urgent problems

We act as a matchmaker fostering collaborations to get frontier data and expertise where it's needed.



### Invest in national systems and local experts for lasting impact

By building national data partnerships we align data initiatives with national priorities to unlock the power of data.



### Support the Global Data Festival

From shaping global conversations and policy discussions, to cultivating new collaborations and piloting innovations, we partner for impact.