



**Better Data.
Better Decisions.
Better Lives.**



Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data

A global network harnessing the data revolution for the benefit of people and planet:
improving lives, fighting inequality, and promoting environmental sustainability.

Data is the lifeblood of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It forms the backbone of decision-making and accountability, but too many people are left out of the data, and too much of the data is outdated or incomplete. The Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data is a global community of several hundred partners working together to harness the data revolution for sustainable development, to fill these data gaps and ensure every life is counted.

Members include governments, businesses, civil society, multilateral organizations, academia, foundations, and national statistical offices. Together we:

Initiate collaboration and collective action. We bring people, organizations, and institutions together across sectors to increase the availability and use of timely data, and strengthen inclusive data ecosystems.

Catalyze innovations to meet development challenges. With innovations in data and technology, new data sources, and by maximizing existing data, we bring the world's best knowledge to help solve the world's worst problems.

Drive political change. We advocate and build political will for strong data systems, and the increased investments needed, to support sustainable development at the global, regional, and national level.

Our Impact

Data for People:

- We developed the Inclusive Data Charter to ensure the most marginalized, vulnerable groups are seen in the data that shapes policies. We work with the charter's signatories from governments, UN agencies, and civil society to improve data disaggregation so no one is left behind.
- We are working with the government of Kenya to create an interoperability framework that will link previously disparate health data systems, to help allocate resources and improve health service delivery as part of the government's mission to achieve universal health coverage.

Data for Planet:

- With government and technology partners, we created the Africa Regional Data Cube, a tool and training package that makes Earth observation data and satellite imagery analysis-ready and accessible. The governments of Ghana, Kenya, Sierra Leone, Senegal, and Tanzania are using it to address agricultural policy, environmental management, food security, and more.
- With the mayor of Freetown, Sierra Leone, we convened city authorities and local mappers to design a geo-coded waste management platform. This is part of a broader initiative leveraging data-driven solutions to improve waste management and reduce plastic waste.

Data Accelerators:

- Through our Data for Now initiative, we work with partners to increase the availability and use of timely data for decision-making, to support progress towards the SDGs. Building upon our country-led data roadmap processes in Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ghana, Kenya, the Philippines, Senegal, Sierra Leone, and Tanzania, among others, we partnered with the World Bank, the UN Statistics Division, and the Sustainable Development Solutions Network to identify proven methods and tools to ensure policymakers have timely, granular data for decision-making - starting in eight pioneering countries and then scaling to more.
- We conduct research and collect evidence to illustrate the value of investing in sustainable statistical systems, making the case for increased political support and financing for data.

Driving Sustainable Impact and Focusing on Results

Our mandate as a neutral political broker and our expertise in convening and advocacy has established the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data as a global authority on data for development. By navigating political and technical data challenges and leveraging our multi-sectoral network, we bring the importance of good data to the forefront of high-level discussions on sustainable development and have helped to create sustainable data ecosystems.

The Team Behind the Partnership

The Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data is led by CEO Dr. Claire Melamed, who leads a team of policy, programs, and partnership brokering specialists based in London, New York, Washington D.C., Conakry, Lagos, Nairobi, and Bogota. The Board of Directors, chaired by UN Deputy Secretary-General Amina J. Mohammed, provides strategic advice and expertise on data and development. A Technical Advisory Group guides our work with their technical expertise.

