Context

In this interactive virtual event, we will present case studies from Kenya, Nepal and India, showcase online platforms for community-driven data collection, and discuss with expert stakeholders from national and global organisations. The objective is to reflect on the potential of community-driven data to serve as a transformative means for accelerating SDG implementation and improving SDG monitoring and review. Concretely, we will look at the potential of community-driven data to:

A. close knowledge gaps on the situation of marginalised groups to inform policy making,
B. foster closer collaboration on SDG monitoring and data between an active civil society and authorities at the local and national levels,
C. deliver locally anchored information to guide adequate SDG responses to COVID-19.

This event aims to ensure that the voices of the most vulnerable populations are heard, counted and included in SDG implementation at national and sub-national levels. To this end, cross-sector representatives from the Global South and the Global North, including representatives from marginalised communities, will discuss key lessons learned, advocacy demands, and technical innovations which can boost the generation and use of community-driven data. Considering the current global crisis and its impact on the situation of the most marginalised populations, participants will also hear from local level research on COVID-19 and the required policy responses.

Together with our virtual audience, we want to discuss how this people-centred data and advocacy approach can be optimally utilised over the next 10 years, to ensure that the “SDG decade of action” will live up to its promise and leave no one behind in the course of its delivery.

Agenda

8.00 - 8.10 Welcome + Introduction
The universal principle of ‘leaving no one behind’ as key driver for a successful SDG implementation

Wolfgang Jamann
International Civil Society Centre (ICSC)

8.10 - 8.50 Case studies
Facilitated by Peter Koblowsky – ICSC

1) Community voices and data for inclusion: Indian 2020 VNR + socio-economic impact of COVID-19 on marginalised groups

Annie Namala
Wada Na Todo Abhiyan
2) Deliberations between Kenyan civil society and government on the use of civil society data in SDG monitoring

Florence Syevuo
SDGs Kenya Forum

3) Mobilizing youth voices for Nepal’s 2020 Voluntary National Report

Suran Maharjan
VSO Nepal

4) The “Indigenous Navigator Platform”: digital innovation for improved collection and use of community-driven data

Birgitte Feiring
Danish Institute for Human Rights

8.50 – 9.05 Q&A with audience

9.05 - 9.55 Expert panel
Facilitated by Anna-Maria Heisig - GIZ

Civil society data + community-driven data: Bearing in mind the above case studies, what are the benefits of including alternative data sources in SDG monitoring and related policy planning? How can we ensure its increased recognition and use? Which additional resources and networks can be used to support such initiatives?

5 minute impulse by Anna-Maria Heisig (GIZ), followed by 30 minutes panel of experts and 15 min feedback round with the audience.

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9.55 - 10.00 Summary and closing remarks

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