



POWER OF DATA



Unlocking the data dividend

What is the Power of Data?

Launched by the UN and member states at the SDG Summit in September 2023 as one of twelve high impact initiatives to accelerate SDG progress.

The goal of the Power of Data is to accelerate progress on the SDGs by overcoming specific barriers inherent in national data and statistical systems:

- **Lack of political prioritization;**
- **Fragmentation;**
- **Inadequate and siloed investments; and**
- **Shortfalls in capacity.**

Through **innovative partnerships** with strong **government leadership** that will **align partner actions and streamline support & investment** in national data and statistical systems.



The Approach

The Power of Data is a platform that will strengthen the data systems needed to achieve the SDGs in each country through:

- **Government leadership**
- **Partnerships**
- **Coherent action plans**
- **Mobilizing resources - technical & financial**
- **Learning and knowledge sharing**



Power of Data expected outcomes and impact

Informed decision-making
through data-driven
programmes that address
the SDGs

Increased investment
returns across public and
private sectors

Reduced fragmentation
and collective focus on
clear nationally-defined
priorities

Greater accountability
with increased
transparency and ability
to monitor SDG progress



**Driving SDG progress through
robust, integrated and effective
national data systems**

Power of Data co-leads

- The Power of Data is co-led by UNDP, UNICEF, UNFPA, UNDESA, CCS-UN, the World Bank and the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data.
- Co-leads bring significant expertise, from data generation to strengthening capacity and technical assistance for leveraging new data and technology in support of SDG targets, & advocacy.



Progress since the launch

10 countries have hosted national Power of Data convenings in the first half of 2024.



Progress in accelerating change

- ❑ **Growing interest from government and partners**
- ❑ **Unlocked new investments in some countries**
- ❑ **Political prioritization through government leadership**
- ❑ **Global and regional advocacy at high level events**

National action: Africa



Botswana is committed to **mobilizing resources from across government** to support statistical capacity building and strengthen data availability, accessibility and use.



Ghana has leveraged the Power of Data platform to **mandate data sharing which will increase the availability and use of timely SDG data** across government for more responsive programs across health, education, environment and other sectors.



Somalia has committed to collecting **100% of Tier 1 SDG indicator data by 2025.**

National action: Latin America and Caribbean



Colombia will **host the World Data Forum in November 2024** where new Power of Data commitments will be made, and they are committed to increasing sub-national capacity to produce quality data on underrepresented groups.



The Dominican Republic is **advancing essential new legislation** to modernise the data system, facilitate data sharing across government, and support digital service delivery. This will help fill critical data gaps and provide more actionable insights for policy making.



Uruguay is **strengthening violence and crime statistics**, working across government to leverage administrative data and improve measurement for SDG 16 and 17.

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