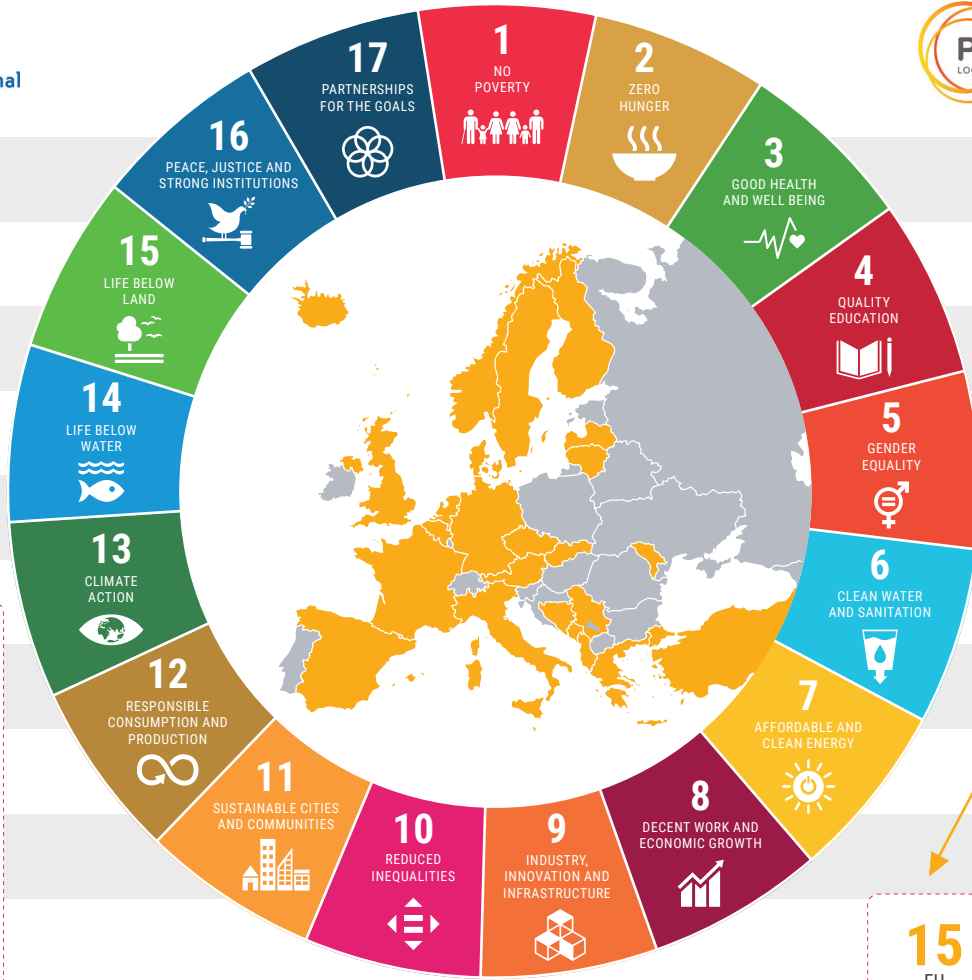


THE 2030 AGENDA

OUR STUDY*



17 SDGs
= Sustainable Development Goals
= 17 UN universal goals adopted in 2015 by world leaders

5 Pillars
People
Prosperity
Peace
Partnership
Planet

27 associations of towns and regions responded

from **23** European countries

8 non-EU countries

15 EU countries
> 50% of EU population

#LocalizingSDGs

How associations of towns and regions are drivers for change
Our study's main findings

AWARENESS

2/3 of the associations have a good knowledge of the SDGs

74% of the associations organise activities linked to the SDGs

Who deals with the SDGs within the associations?

1/3 international officers



1/3 transversal team

Which type of activities are organised by the associations?

- exchanges
- awareness raising
- advocacy for multi-level governance
- reporting
- data
- action plans
- training

MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE

70% of the countries have national frameworks to implement the SDGs

84% of these countries recognise the need to support local governments

MONITORING

from **50%** in 2016-2018 to **65%** today of the associations were invited to contribute to national reporting at UN HLPF**

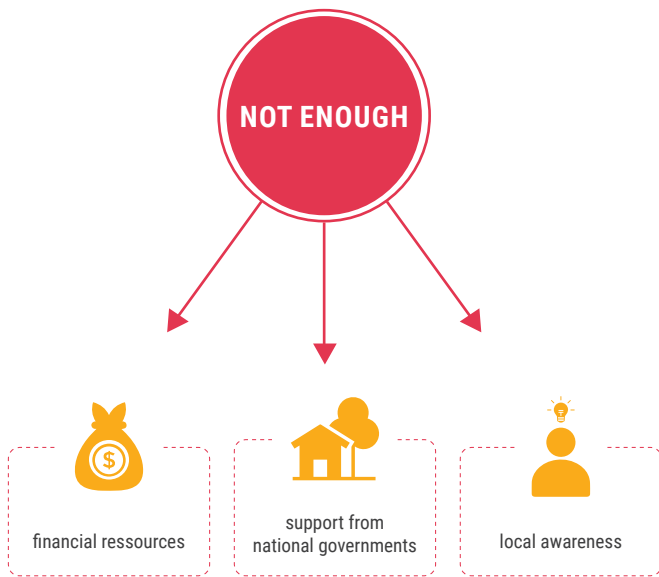
11 countries have annual national reports on SDG implementation
BUT only 6 associations have been consulted by national governments to contribute

84% of the countries are developing local indicators

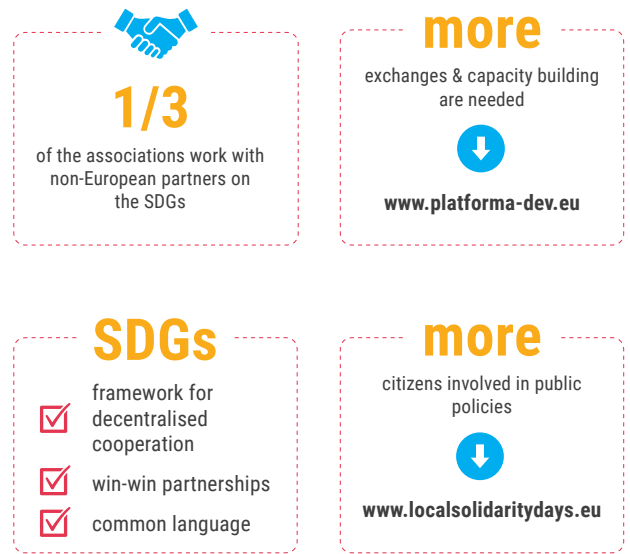
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CHALLENGES FOR TOWNS & REGIONS



DECENTRALISED COOPERATION



3 POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCALISE THE SDGs

1

National governments and EU institutions should **better recognise the crucial role of towns and regions, and their associations**

2

Multi-level governance should be strengthened all along the SDG cycle: awareness raising, strategy design, implementation, monitoring and reporting

3

European towns and regions should **exchange practices, enhance capacities, develop a common language with citizens and non-European partners**



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