16 x 16 INITIATIVE

SPOTLIGHTING AND SUPPORTING 16 YOUTH-LED ORGANISATIONS, MOVEMENTS AND NETWORKS ADVANCING SDG16

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ABOUT THE INITIATIVE

The 16 x 16 Initiative recognizes, values and supports the positive role that 16 young women and men play as leaders of youth organizations, movements and networks and as agents of change and partners in building peaceful, just and inclusive societies at all levels.

It is high time we both respond to youth-specific needs and value young people’s expertise, knowledge and positive contribution to SDG16 implementation, monitoring, accountability and review.

The launch of the 16 x 16 Initiative is timely, as SDG16 implementation is reviewed in 2019. The 16 x 16 participants actively collaborate with UNDP’s Youth Global Programme and participated in the preparatory conference for the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) on SDG16 in Rome, Italy, in May 2019. They will continue to amplify youth voices and local experiences to inform global conversations and reviews, and contribute to connecting SDG16 to other relevant agendas at all levels.

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Focus areas of SDG16+ targets

→ 4.7, 5.1, 10.4, 16.7, 16.b
→ 4.7, 4.16.1, 16.3, 16.7
→ 4.7, 11.7, 16.1, 16.3, 16.6
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Read their biographies here.

OBJECTIVES OF THE 16 X 16 INITIATIVE

a) Recognize and make visible young people’s agency and leadership, through a ‘16x16 global campaign’, highlighting the work that 16 youth-led organisations accomplish to advance SDG16;

b) Expand existing and open new channels for youth meaningful participation in SDG implementation, monitoring and review, with a focus on SDG16 and related frameworks;

c) Enhance capacities and youth-inclusive policy and programming, working collaboratively with youth-led organisations.

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16 x 16 participants led the development of the ‘Rome Youth Call-to-Action’. Read it here!

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