Institutionalization of the SDGs in the work of parliaments

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IPU’s Global Survey

- Launched 15 June 2018

- Structure:
  1. Parliamentary activities on the SDGs
  2. Parliamentary mechanisms on the SDGs
Global participation of **89 Parliaments** *(as of December 2018)*
→ **50%** of IPU Members

Participation rate by IPU geopolitical groups:
Preliminary Results
Parliamentary activities on the SDGs

Training sessions/awareness-raising activities for parliamentarians and parliamentary staff
Preliminary Results
Parliamentary activities on the SDGs

Has the government submitted reports to parliament about the implementation of the SDGs?

50% Yes

Have any parliamentary committees held inquiries into the SDGs?

63% Yes

Have any parliamentary committees published reports on the SDGs?

25% Yes

Has parliament taken action to ensure the SDGs are reflected in the national budget?

53% Yes

31% No

16% Don't know and N/A
Preliminary Results
Parliamentary mechanisms on the SDGs

Are there any *parliamentary mechanisms* specifically dedicated to the SDGs? 54% Yes

Have the SDGs been *mainstreamed* into the work of all relevant parliamentary committees?

National SDG coordination mechanism Vs. parliamentary participation in that mechanism 79% Vs. 42%

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Inter-Parliamentary Union
Arab Geopolitical Group
Parliamentary activities on the SDGs

- Budget action: Arab Group 89%, World 53%
- Reports by parliamentary committees: Arab Group 11%, World 25%
- Inquiries by parliamentary committees: Arab Group 56%, World 63%
- Gov reports to parliament: Arab Group 51%, World 56%
- Training sessions organised for parliamentary staff: Arab Group 44%, World 47%
- Training sessions organised by parliamentarians: Arab Group 56%, World 57%
Arab Geopolitical Group
Parliamentary mechanisms on the SDGs

National SDG mechanism
- Arab Group: 78%
- World: 79%

Parliament participates in the national SDG coordination mechanism
- Arab Group: 56%
- World: 42%

A parliamentary mechanism is specifically dedicated to the SDGs
- Arab Group: 67%
- World: 54%
SDG Self-Assessment Toolkit

- SDGs tell us where we want to be but they do not tell us how to get there.
- Do parliaments have the capacity to respond? Are they fit for purpose?
- Solutions found through dialogue – toolkit not prescriptive
- Helps identify baselines, tailored strategies and shared priorities to institutionalize the goals and engage in implementation: Action plan developed
- Exercise tailored to realities of each parliament
- Parliaments select principal evaluators
- Parliaments can ask for assistance from IPU and UNDP, if needed
- Results can be shared through IPU UN Committee
Thank you!

Parliaments and the Sustainable Development Goals

A self-assessment toolkit

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