

# Participatory and Inclusive Tools to build capacities in Leaving No One Behind

## SDGs Learning, Training and Practice Workshops during HLPF 2019

Thursday 11 July 2019 | 10:00am to 1:00pm

Conference Room 5, United Nations Headquarters, NYC

Bringing the voices and experiences of those who have been left behind – through empowerment and participation – goes beyond enabling agency and towards developing a more inclusive and democratic society.

Come to listen to and discuss about recent tested methodological approaches and tools used in participatory research and programmes aiming to contribute to the ‘whole of society’ approach to follow up and review, ensuring broad inclusion of traditionally excluded groups to deliver the pledge to ‘leave no one behind’.

**10am – 11am:** Opening segment highlighting several approaches for engaging marginalized communities as well as other stakeholders (such as governments, UN agencies and others) in participatory and inclusive practices.

Moderator: **Jose Viera**, Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities

Opening speaker: **Naiara Costa**, Senior Sustainable Development Officer, Division for Sustainable Development Goals, UN DESA

Contributions from:

- **Dr. Rachel Bray**, Research Associate, Dept of Social Policy and Intervention, Oxford University
- **Erika López Franco**, Participation, Inclusion and Social Change Research Cluster, Institute of Development Studies
- **Oli Henman**, Action for Sustainable Development
- **Peter Koblowsky**, International Civil Society Centre and Huong Phuong Thao, ActionAid Vietnam (joint speakers)

**11am – 12:20pm:** The second segment of the workshop will present case studies as well as practical tools to empower and enable participation of traditionally excluded groups.

Moderator: **Sylvia Beales**, Stakeholder Group on Ageing

Contributions from:

- **Dr. Elizabeth Lockwood**, CBM and Maegan Shanks, Gallaudet University: Introduction to Deaf culture, International Sign and the SDGs
- **Roxana Petrona Quispe Yujra** and **Sophie Boyer**, ATD Fourth World Bolivia
- **Beckie Malay**, Global Call to Action against Poverty – GCAP
- **Annie Namala**, Wada Na todo Abhiyaan

**12:20pm – 12:30pm:** Short break

**12:30pm – 1pm:** For the third and final segment, we propose an interactive session with the audience to get a deeper understanding of the tools/approaches presented during the workshop and discuss potential for replication.

Moderators: **KAM Morshed**, Director of Advocacy for Social Change at BRAC, **Erika Lopez Franco**, and **Dr. Elizabeth Lockwood**.

**1pm:** Conclusion and wrap up.

Please sign up for this event by July 10th, 2019 at: <https://leave-no-one-behind.eventbrite.com>

**ATD ('All Together in Dignity')** Fourth World is a human rights based anti-poverty organisation working in a range of different countries alongside people affected by poverty. In partnership with Oxford University, ATD Fourth World launched an [international participatory research in response to Sustainable Development Goal 1](#) which calls on governments across the world to halve poverty 'in all its dimensions' within their countries by 2030. An innovative methodology, known as Merging of Knowledge, brings together peer groups of people with experience of poverty with other groups with different kinds of knowledge about poverty and/or a stake in its definition.

**Research from the Participate network** has shown that SDG 16 – building accountable and inclusive institutions – is the gateway to reach all other goals; yet accountability of the SDGs cannot be achieved without understanding and addressing the intersecting inequalities (the spatial, economic and identity-based drivers of poverty and inequality) that those left behind experience on a daily basis. In this session, we will speak about the most powerful methods used by partners in Egypt, South Africa, Ghana and Uganda to build inclusive, [participatory accountability processes that take in to account these intersecting inequalities](#).

**The Leave No One Behind partnership** is a coalition of international civil society organisations (ICSOs), national NGOs, civil society networks and community-based organisations. It is currently active in five countries: Bangladesh, India, Kenya, Nepal and Vietnam. The joint goal of the partners is to strengthen the voice and agency of marginalised groups in the implementation of the SDGs – “Making their Voices Heard and Count”:

- Making Voices Heard: Close knowledge gaps in SDG implementation through community-driven data
- Making Voices Count: Bring inclusively generated evidence to use in policy making and public planning to adequately address problems of marginalised communities at the local level.

**Introduction to Deaf culture, International Sign and the SDGs:** Representatives from the Stakeholder Group of Persons with Disabilities will introduce global deaf cultures, basic phrases in International Sign, and how to interact with deaf and hard of hearing people in the context of the Sustainable Development Goals and to ensure no one is left behind. The course will teach strategies on how to include deaf and hard of hearing people in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, particularly how to be inclusive in dialogues and consultations.

**The '100 hotspots' initiative** measures the situation and progress of 10 highly vulnerable communities (hotspots) across 1,000 households in 10 Indian states, focusing on SDGs 1-8, 10, 11, and 16. The aim is to ensure that vulnerable population groups can access and benefit from the SDGs targets and indicators in the true sense of 'leave no one behind and a life with dignity' and thereby pave the way for India to achieve SDGs and global achievement. The initiative makes use of a participative approach. It aims to build capacities and promote community champions from the most vulnerable social groups to track gaps in SDG achievements and become advocates for their communities.

**Action for Sustainable Development (A4SD) National Scorecards and Leave No One Behind national dialogues.**

Building on over 3 years of experience with SDG reporting A4SD has been supporting national coalitions of civil society to engage with a broad cross-section of partners to ensure that diverse voices are heard in the process of the Voluntary National Reviews and the national SDG implementation plans. Successes include supporting national coalitions in Kenya, India, The Philippines, South Africa, Togo, Ghana, Rwanda, etc. The latest version of the Scorecard is built on direct experience of diverse national spotlight reports delivered by national coalitions in Brazil and Sri Lanka.

## Please note

- PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO STAY FOR THE WHOLE DURATION OF THE WORKSHOP, TO GET THE MOST OF THE INTERACTION IN THE SESSION.
- ONLY ACCESSIBLE TO INDIVIDUALS HOLDING A UN GROUNDPASS.

