

Participatory accountability that leaves no one behind

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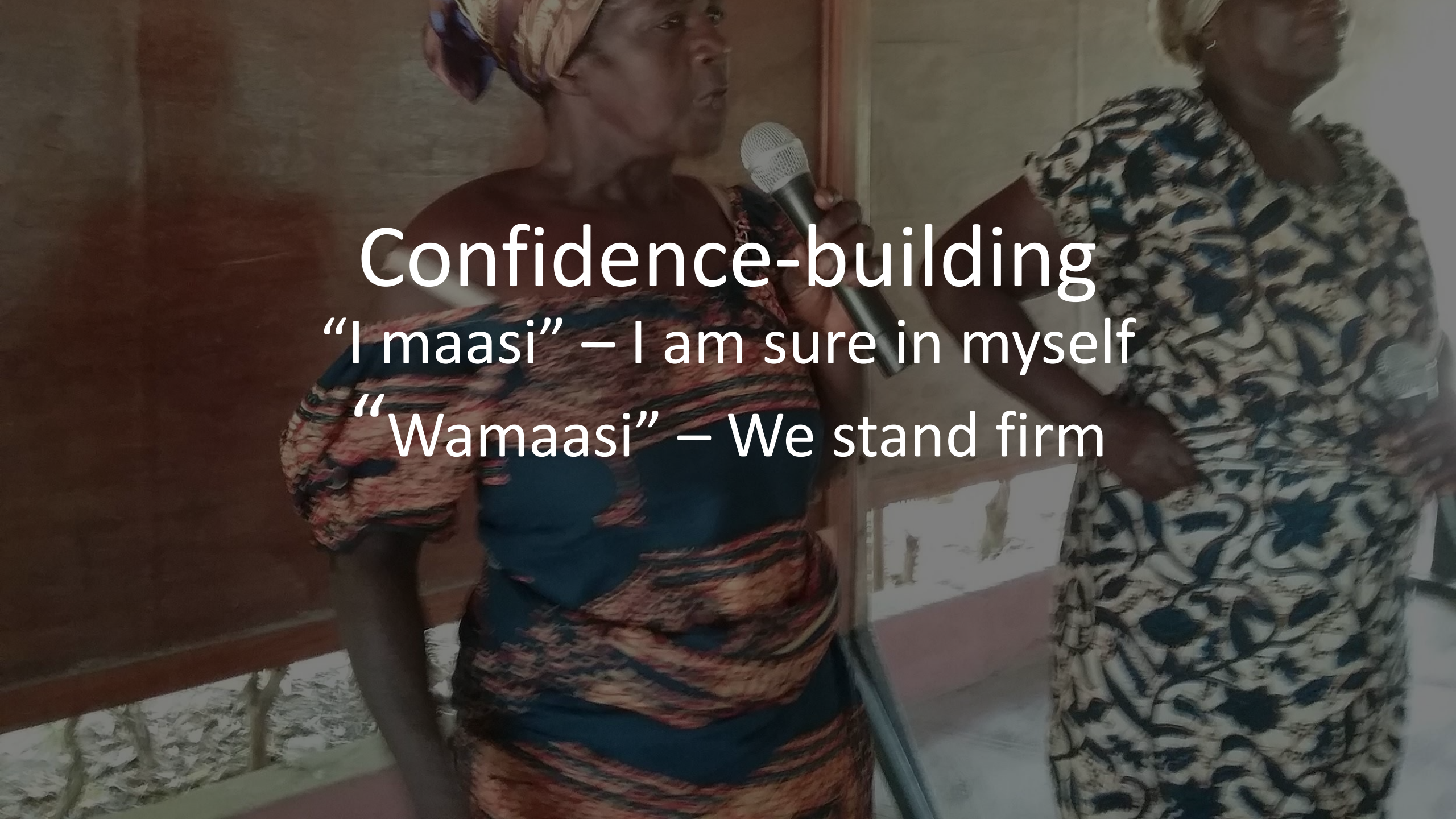
Participate

Knowledge from the margins for **the SDGs**


Mary

and the *Yihi
Katseme* (i.e. brave
women of Ada,
Ghana)



A photograph of two women. The woman in the foreground is wearing a colorful, patterned dress and a headwrap, and is speaking into a microphone. The woman in the background is wearing a blue and white patterned dress. The image has a semi-transparent dark overlay.

Confidence-building
“I maasi” – I am sure in myself
“Wamaasi” – We stand firm



Deepening understanding of
context through local knowledge
What someone knows, someone else
doesn't know... So, we all know!



YIHI KATSEME
"WA MAASI"

What Do Yihi Katseme Stand For?

Songor Livelihood for All

- *We want a return to the communal values that recognized the Songor must be for the benefit of all.*
- *We want to ensure that artisanal salt-winners like us participate in decision-making and reap the benefits of technology development in Songor.*
- *We believe that those who are closest to a resource have the first right to benefit from it but also the greatest responsibility to care for it.*
- *We want a return to equitable communal access to the Songor that allows everyone to make a living independently.*

Direct engagement between
citizens and authorities
Dance, song, drama + Advocacy plan



A group of women in traditional African attire, including patterned dresses and headwraps, are gathered under a white tent. They appear to be engaged in a community meeting or discussion. The background shows an outdoor setting with a dirt ground and some trees in the distance.

Multiple alliances and identifying champions

Leaves, sticks and stones to identify allies and powerholders

A group of African women are standing outdoors in front of a building and trees. They are dressed in various colorful clothing, including a blue top, a purple top, a red top, and a pink and yellow patterned top. The women are looking in different directions, some towards the camera and others away. The background shows a light-colored building with a window and green foliage.

Long-term engagement and trust

Duty of care, assessing risk, meaningful partnership

Elements of participatory accountability that leaves no one behind

A person is seen from behind, carrying a white bowl on their head. They are walking through a field of white sacks and debris, possibly a construction site or a waste disposal area. The background shows a flat, open landscape under a clear sky.

- Confidence-building
 - Deepening understanding of context w/local knowledge
 - Exchanges between citizens and authorities and use of legal mechanisms
 - Developing alliances with multiple actors
 - Long term engagement and trust

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