



Timor-Leste Voluntary National Review 2019

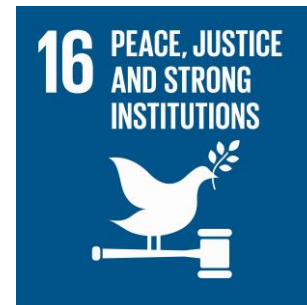
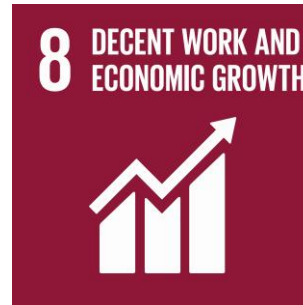
**From Ashes to
reconciliation,
reconstruction
and sustainable
development**





Implementation of the 2030 Agenda in Timor-Leste

Voluntary National Review: 9 Focus SDGs



A snapshot of our achievements

- 4 peaceful elections since the restoration of Independence
- Notable reduction in poverty
- Strong decline in maternal mortality
- Gender parity in primary education
- Doubling of electricity access
- Saving proceeds of oil & gas resources through the Petroleum Fund



Challenges to implementation of 2030 Agenda



Challenges in data collection: need reliable and timely data to make informed resource allocation and policy decisions



To mobilise domestic revenue and diversify non-oil economy



Weak institutional and absorptive capacity: need greater capacity to accelerate implementation



Consolidating peace, justice & stability (SDG 16) is crucial to accelerate progress on other SDGs

Opportunities to accelerate implementation of 2030 Agenda



Investing in **youth** to promote political and economic inclusion



Building **human capital** by maintaining progress in education and health will require sustained investment



Reaping the **demographic dividend** by combining the right mix of policies



Economic diversification, job creation and private sector development to promote **sustainable economic growth**

Innovative partnerships for development

- Critical state-building phase
- Innovative financing and technical support required to accelerate progress
- Harness support to develop exit strategies as we graduate from LDC status



Message from the Private Sector

- We need to empower our nascent private sector
- Reduce reliance on public projects and enhance entrepreneurship
- We want to be part of the Global Compact for Corporate Sustainability
- We have a key role to play in the financing and implementation of the SDGs



Message from Civil Society

- Crucial role to play in increasing accountability on SDGs
- Working with government to target those left behind
- Partnering with government to monitor services using social audits is a great example

