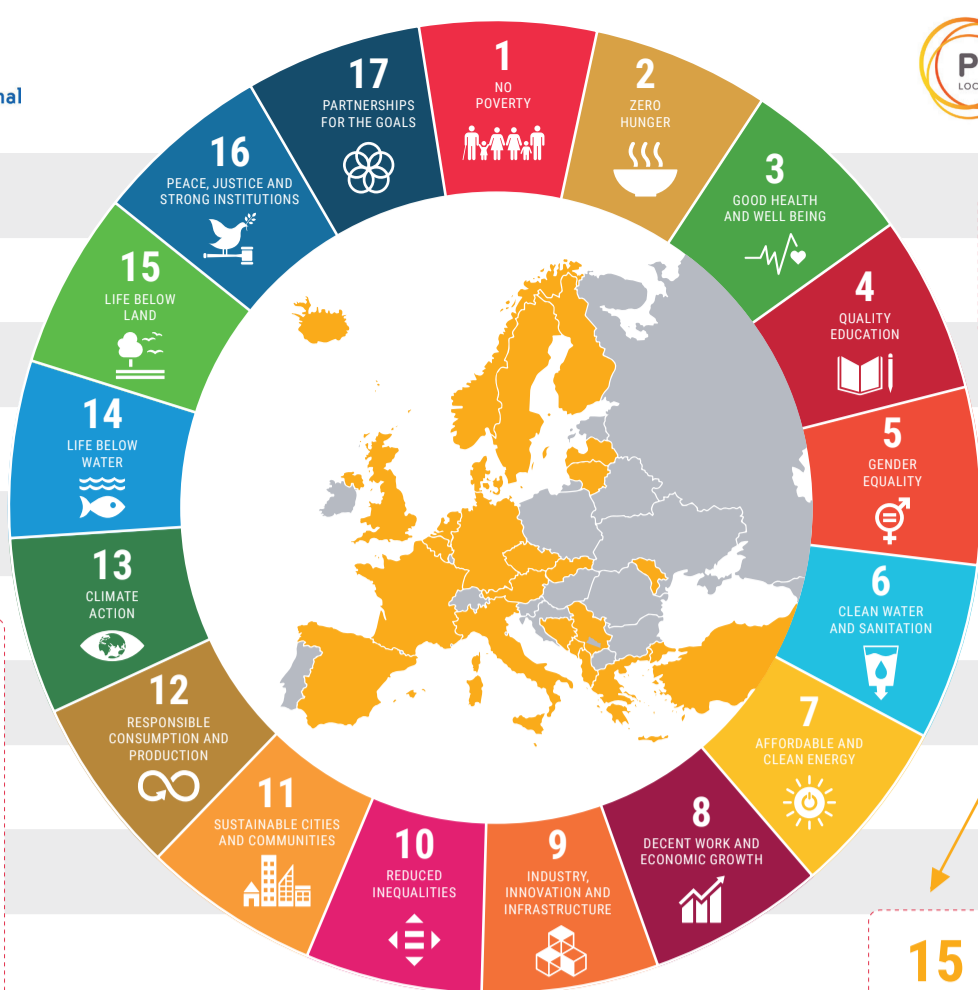


THE 2030 AGENDA

OUR STUDY\*

**17 SDGs**  
= Sustainable Development Goals  
= 17 UN universal goals adopted in 2015 by world leaders

**5 Pillars**  
People  
Prosperity  
Peace  
Partnership  
Planet



**27** associations of towns and regions responded

from **23** European countries

**8** non-EU countries

**15** EU countries > 50% of EU population

## #LocalizingSDGs

How associations of towns and regions are drivers for change  
Our study's main findings

### AWARENESS

**2/3** of the associations have a good knowledge of the SDGs

**74%** of the associations organise activities linked to the SDGs

Who deals with the SDGs within the associations?

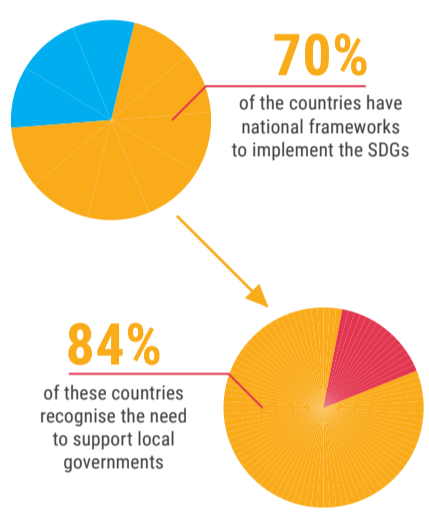
**1/3** international officers

**1/3** transversal team

Which type of activities are organised by the associations?

- exchanges
- awareness raising
- advocacy for multi-level governance
- reporting
- data
- action plans
- training

### MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE



### MONITORING

from **50%** in 2016-2018 to **65%** today of the associations were invited to contribute to national reporting at UN HLPF\*\*

**11** countries have annual reports on SDG implementation BUT only **6** associations have been consulted by national governments to contribute

**84%** of the countries are developing local indicators

### CHALLENGES FOR TOWNS & REGIONS

**NOT ENOUGH**

- financial resources
- support from national governments
- local awareness

### DECENTRALISED COOPERATION

**1/3** of the associations work with non-European partners on the SDGs

**more** exchanges & capacity building are needed

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**SDGs** framework for decentralised cooperation

- win-win partnerships
- common language

**more** citizens involved in public policies

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## 3 POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS TO LOCALISE THE SDGs

- National governments and EU institutions should better recognise the crucial role of towns and regions, and their associations
- Multi-level governance should be strengthened all along the SDG cycle: awareness raising, strategy design, implementation, monitoring and reporting
- European towns and regions should exchange practices, enhance capacities, develop a common language with citizens and non-European partners

\* These infographics are based on the results of a questionnaire sent by CEMR, PLATFORMA and UCLG to their networks between March and May 2019. Responses were provided by SHBSH (Albania), AACT-KDZ (Austria), VVSG (Belgium), SOGFBiH (Bosnia and Herzegovina), SMO ČR (Czech Republic), KL & REGIONER (Denmark), AFCCRE (France), DST (Germany), KEDE (Greece), Samband (Iceland), AICCRE (Italy), LPS (Latvia), LSA (Lithuania), CALM (Moldova), UOM (Montenegro), VNG International (Netherlands), KS (Norway), COSLA (Scotland), SKGO (Serbia), ZMOS (Slovakia), Famsi, FEMP & Fons Mallorquí (Spain), SKL (Sweden), TBB (Turkey), LGA (United Kingdom).

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