



One Maldives



ADVANCING PARTNERSHIPS TO SUPPORT THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS IN MALDIVES

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13.00 - 15.00**

**ONLINE
WORKSHOP**

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Background

The impact of COVID-19 on our economy and on our society has been devastating. At the same time, we have seen every part of our society step up and work together to tackle COVID-19. As we look towards our future, we have the opportunity to build on the momentum and raise our level of ambition far beyond simply returning to business as usual. Whether you are a leader in government, civil society, business, academia, the media or a development partner, we have the same interests: to **build back better** and deliver a prosperous economy, a thriving society and a flourishing environment. We all have unique roles and resources; working collectively to achieve this shared vision, we become **One Maldives**.

Partnerships for Maldives

Multi-stakeholder partnerships bring together the energy, resources and mandates of public, private, and people to find innovative solutions and transform sustainable development in ways impossible to achieve by one actor alone. The aim of One Maldives is to inspire and catalyse a new era of collaboration in order to accelerate Maldives' development and deliver the Sustainable Development Goals.

Online Workshop 2 Nov 2020

This initiating online workshop brings together leaders from across all sectors of society, to celebrate examples of partnerships that are already delivering towards the SDGs, build an understanding of what it takes to make partnerships successful, and discuss how to scale up multi-stakeholder partnering to achieve the vision of One Maldives working together to deliver the SDGs.

Topics

What are multi-stakeholder partnerships for the SDGs?
What are some examples of existing successful partnerships in Maldives?
What can we learn from the experiences of other countries?
In which sectors is there strongest potential for new partnerships?
How do we scale up partnering action in Maldives?

Speakers

Representatives from the Republic of Maldives, United Nations, partnerships and other key stakeholders in Maldives

For further information about partnerships for the SDGs, the new **SDG Partnership Guidebook** can be downloaded from: <https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/PartnershipAccelerator>



Programme

Welcome remarks

His Excellency Mohamed Aslam, Minister of National Planning, Housing & Infrastructure, Republic of Maldives
Ms. Catherine Haswell, United Nations Resident Coordinator in the Republic of Maldives

Facilitated by: Ms. Aishath Saadh, National Planning Division, Minister of National Planning, Housing & Infrastructure, Republic of Maldives

Brief introduction to Partnerships for the SDGs

Dr Stibbe Darian, The Partnering Initiative

Partnerships in Maldives

Presentation and facilitation: Ms. Ibrahim Athifa, consultant for UN DESA

Mr. Islamil Rafeeq, One Fuvahmulah
Ms. Juwairiya Saeed, Cancer Society of Maldives (CSM)
Ms. Shaahina Ali, Parley
Ms. Mohamed Ahmed, Naifaru Juvenile

Partnering in practice exercise: HEAL Maldives

Break out groups and plenary feedback

Moderated by: Dr Stibbe Darian, The Partnering Initiative

Moving forward: How do we move towards One Maldives - to build back better and deliver a prosperous economy, a thriving society and a flourishing environment?

Dialogue moderated by: Ms. Aishath Saadh, Republic of Maldives

including reflections from:

Ms. Aminath Shaliny, UN Resident Coordinators' Office in Maldives
Mr. Ola Goransson, Division for SDGs, UN DESA



HEAL Maldives

healthy eating & active living ACTION PARTNERSHIP

Instructions

HEAL Maldives is a fictional new partnership which aims to inspire, engage and support children and adults to eat more healthily and to live more active lives. The ultimate goal is to reduce incidence of chronic disease such as heart disease, obesity and cancer.

The aim of the exercise is to think through the range of societal actors, including companies from different industries, public sector, civil society, academia, media etc., and discuss:

- 1) What resources of all kinds could each stakeholder bring to the table?**
- 2) Come up with one example where combining resources could deliver real impact.**

Back in the plenary, two or three people will be asked to concisely present their example of collaborative action.



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Stakeholder resource map

**Civil Society**

- (Particularly international NGOs): Access to international knowledge and resources;
- Technical knowledge / delivery capacity;
- Deep knowledge of, and reach and access to, communities and people;
- Legitimacy / social capital / influence (can be particularly strong in faith-based organisations);
- Ability to organise and engage people (e.g. around advocacy)

**United Nations**

- Legitimacy and independence;
- Extensive technical support, knowledge and capacity
- Political connections and influence
- Global network and access to knowledge and solutions from around the world
- Norms and standards-setting
- Convening power
- (In certain cases): Funding

**Development Cooperation (donors)**

- Funding
- Political connections and influence
- Technical assistance

**Business**

- A market-based / value creation approach
- Brand, marketing, and communication expertise
- Direct access to, and influence with, customer base and employees
- The products and services they deliver, including financial products such as micro-lending
- Technical innovation / efficiency / management
- Direct influence within value chains, including purchasing decisions
- Infrastructure / logistics
- Data
- Financial and in-kind contributions

**Government**

- Democratic legitimacy and convening ability
- Mandate for long term development planning
- Public budget / spending
- Public services delivery infrastructure
- National 'hard' infrastructure (roads, rail, water, power etc.)
- Policy, taxation and regulatory framework
- Education / skills and capacity building
- Provision of land
- Ability to operate at scale and institutionalize approaches into government
- Data

**Foundations**

- Funding for programmes (often with fewer restrictions than other traditional funding sources)
- Capacity building
- Technical assistance
- Connecting and convening, power
- Brand and influence
- For most corporate foundations: link to company parent

