Resources and partnerships in the Netherlands

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Introduction

- Different resources are needed
- Large role for coordination and cooperation

- The SDGs were/are seen als development aid
- Responsible ministry: Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Monitoring SDGs is not part of the regular statistical working program.

The monitoring process over time (1)

- 2016: first report
    - Based on available statistics
    - The relationships within Statistics Netherlands were key
    - No funding
    - Positive response from society
- 2018: second report
    - Funding from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs
    - More involvement of stakeholders

The monitoring process over time (2)

- 2019: SDGs integrated in the Monitor of Wellbeing
  - Funding from the Ministry of Economic Affairs
  - No focus on the global indicators
  - Dutch indicators were developed
  - Relationships with the ministries improved
- 2022: Renewed funding for The Monitor of Well-being and SDGs
  - 4 year period
  - Opportunity for additional funding for the SDGs

Motives for the additional funding

- Specific information to assess which work was needed
    - Amount of global indicators produced by the Netherlands
    - Identifying data gaps
    - Which activities are needed?
- Clarification of the responsibilities of the NSO
    - UN resolution A/RES/71/313
    - Coordination and cooperation
- Specify the resources needed

How the additional funding is used

- Developing and updating global indicators
- Coordination with SDG focalpoints within the ministries
- Providing country data to custodian agencies
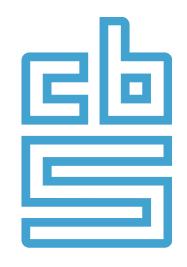- Contributing to international cooperation

Lessons learned

- Partnerships and resources are interconnected
- Make the current state of the monitoring really clear
    - Specify the current number of indicators
    - Specify tasks which did not receive the attention needed
    - Specify what could be achieved
    - Specify the resources needed for specific tasks
- Provide context
- Relationships outside of the government
    - Contribute indirectly to obtaining resources

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