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Localizing the Sustainable Development Goals:
Partnership on the Toolkit for Implementation at the Local Level

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Comunitat committed to cooperation and Agenda for Sustainable Development 2030



1. In what context begins the initiative?

A new Valencian Government in July 2015.

Two months later, on September 25, 2015, in parallel with the adoption of Agenda 2030 by the UN General Assembly, the Government of the Generalitat adopts an Agreement as a firm commitment that it is necessary to put Valencia on a path consistent with Agenda 2030 for Sustainable Development.



2. What mission?

The mission of the Government of the Generalitat is to line up the policies of Valencia with Agenda 2030, with a firm commitment to the SDGs.

Achieving the SDGs it is intended as a framework of action of all the Valencian public authorities, economic and social agents and citizens as a whole.



3. For what purpose (vision)?

The vision of the Government of the Generalitat is to advance policy coherence and more comprehensive approaches to cooperation Valencian ("whole-of-government-approach"), from a new paradigm of international development cooperation.



4. What values?

The performance of the Generalitat Valenciana will focus on five key areas of the Agenda 2030, the so-called 5 P: Planet, People, Prosperity, Peace and Partnership.



5. From what dimensions?

The policies of the Generalitat Valenciana identify with the three dimensions of development of Agenda 2030: social, economic, and environmental.



6. From what strategic vectors?

The action of the Government addresses the challenge of implementing the Agenda through three strategic vectors:

- Report

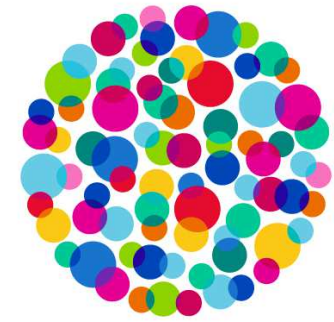
Generate reflection on citizenship and policy makers why compliance on the agenda is the interest of all social and economic actors of the Community and the Valencian authorities.

- Sensitizing, from the perspective of global citizenship

Establishing a strategy on Development Education in schools, from the perspective of global citizenship.

- Compromise

Build partnerships among government, the private sector and civil society. These alliances are built on the reflection and analysis of how the implementation of SDGs has a direct reflection on the quality of life of citizens, and therefore a direct utility..



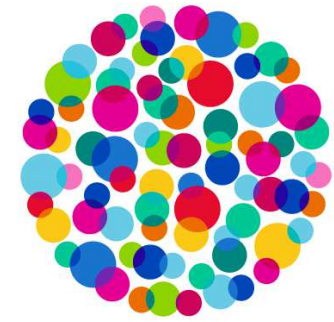
7. From what levels of performance?

The Government will implement the agenda in three levels of performance:

Local: through the Valencian Cities Alliance for Sustainable Development and the Alliance of the Valencian Public Universities.

National: in coordination with other regions, municipalities and the Master Plan of the Spanish Cooperation.

Global: We have mainly promoted initiatives and joint actions with UN agencies, such as the Spanish Network of Sustainable Development REDS (with whom it has signed an agreement), Global Compact, ILO, UN Habitat and UNDP ART.



8. What practices have been successful?

The Government has reformulated the strategy of development cooperation in a participatory manner with relevant stakeholders. This is reflected in the strategic document “A Comunitat committed Cooperation and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development”, which includes proposals to reformulate the Valencian development cooperation.

It has also promoted the creation of the Cities Alliance for Sustainable Development.

public sensitizing is promoted through the distribution of educational materials in public spaces.



9. From what strategic criteria?

A key strategy is the support of the whole process with a constant line of dialogue, awareness, sensitizing, involvement, responsibility and ownership of generation from various stakeholders in the process.

The largest 17 municipalities in the Region make up the Alliance Sustainable Cities.

The importance of promoting alliances between European regions, especially in Mediterranean countries. In particular it is valued at UNDP ART as a vehicle to land that alliance countries and as a vehicle for coordination between levels.



10. From what challenges?

The first challenge is to get the SDGs are a reference for all citizens and not just a political party.

You must have new tools that allow us to work in the new paradigm of development cooperation based on the SDGs.

It is important to overcome the logic of the previous paradigm of development cooperation based on the donor-recipient relationship.

One notable challenge is the difficulty of working with 231 measurement indicators.



11. What were the lessons learned?

The necessary mainstreaming of SDGs to all areas of government and the co-responsibility of all departments of the Generalitat.

Sensitizing and education to the public and policy makers is essential.

Not make the SDGs flag government political party, but a strategic reference around which aims to engage and add wills, energies and resources.

A key element has been not only have conceived a strategy for SDGs, but have decided to do with the NGOs and the actors of the community, rather than an expert group or external institutions.

It is essential to achieve our goals promote work in partnership rather than in competition.

Finding local, regional and global alliances, as well as other parts of Europe has been a key element throughout the process.

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Thank you