



SDG 16: PEACE, JUSTICE & STRONG INSTITUTIONS

A FU⁺UREPLUS GUIDE



+ “PROMOTE JUST, PEACEFUL AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT, PROVIDE ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR ALL AND BUILD EFFECTIVE, ACCOUNTABLE AND INCLUSIVE INSTITUTIONS AT ALL LEVELS.” (By 2030)

Target 16.1 – Reduce violence everywhere

Target 16.2 – Protect children from abuse, exploitation, trafficking and violence

Target 16.3 – Promote the rule of law and ensure equal access to justice

Target 16.4 – Combat organized crime and illicit financial and arms flow

Target 16.5 – Substantially reduce corruption and bribery

Target 16.6 – Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions

Target 16.7 – Ensure responsive, inclusive and representative decision-making

Target 16.8 – Strengthen the participation in global governance

Target 16.9 – Provide universal legal identity

Target 16.10 – Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms

Target 16.A – Strengthen national institutions to prevent violence and combat terrorism and crime

Target 16.B – Promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies

+ PROGRESS & INFO

Enormous populations now live in conflict zones, refugee populations are very large and growing, and the legitimacy of democratic and institutional conflict resolution appears to be declining.

Click [here](#) to view the SDG Tracker, which includes data on the global progress against the 12 Targets and 23 Indicators under SDG 16.



+ THE THREE DIMENSIONS OF SDG 16



+ THE ROLE OF BUSINESSES

Businesses have a fundamental role to play in SDG 16 at local and global levels. By being responsible partners throughout its value chain, businesses can help the countries where they operate to meet the SDG 16 targets related to anti-corruption, labour rights, inclusive decision-making and community engagement. These are prerequisites to peace and stability.



+ BUSINESS ACTIONS

Incorporating SDG 16 into your core business strategy is foundational to being a responsible business. The below examples of business actions are non-exhaustive and some may be more relevant to certain industries than to others.

- Implement a Code of Conduct and policies related to anti-corruption and bribery, whistleblowing, IT security and data protection, and equal opportunities.
- Implement a Supplier Code of Conduct. Click [here](#) to view our guide.
- Share resources on workers rights and fair working conditions with all employees.
- Comply with laws and meet international standards, which relate to human and labour rights. Also, require and support your suppliers and partners to do the same.
- Commit to and implement conflict-sensitive, lawful and transparent operational policies and practices, including on human resources, public and corporate procurement, and in the value chain more generally.
- Conduct risk and impact assessments to identify and mitigate risks of contributing to corruption, violence and conflict, and weakening of the rule of law and identify opportunities for positive impacts.
- Measure and report on implementation progress, including on operations in high-risk areas.
- Be as transparent as possible in your communications to and relationships with your stakeholders.
- Publicly report on political contributions and lobbying activities throughout your supply chain.



+ ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

- Support a charity, which is working toward positively impacting SDG 16. For example, those enhancing food security in order to mitigate risk of social unrest caused or intensified by lack of access to affordable food, water and/or land.
- Partner with a company, which is working towards positively impacting SDG 16.
- Support industry-wide efforts for transparency and anti-corruption, through collaborating with industry bodies, advocacy organisations and charities to enhance the objectives of SDG 16.
- Partake in private-public partnerships to promote peace and stability.
- Actively support systems and processes to tackle human trafficking, including possible services and products which support victims of violence.
- Apply the UNGC 'A Guide to Traceability: A Practical Approach to Advance Sustainability in Global Supply Chains' to improve traceability of products, parts and materials in the supply chain.
- Offering pro-bono work for organisations that enhance the agenda of SDG 16

+ NEED MORE HELP?

We can provide industry-specific examples of additional actions your company can take to help achieve SDG 16. We also offer consultancy services if you would like more comprehensive support with achieving your sustainability goals.

Please let us know if you would like more information – we would be happy to provide you with a quote: team@future-plus.co.uk