

Session IX: Next Steps and Call to Action - HLPF 2025

Voluntary National Reviews and data development



I. Next steps for HLPF 2025 and Voluntary National Review processes in 2025 and beyond



In the process of institutionalizing the VNR to present every two years at HLPF.

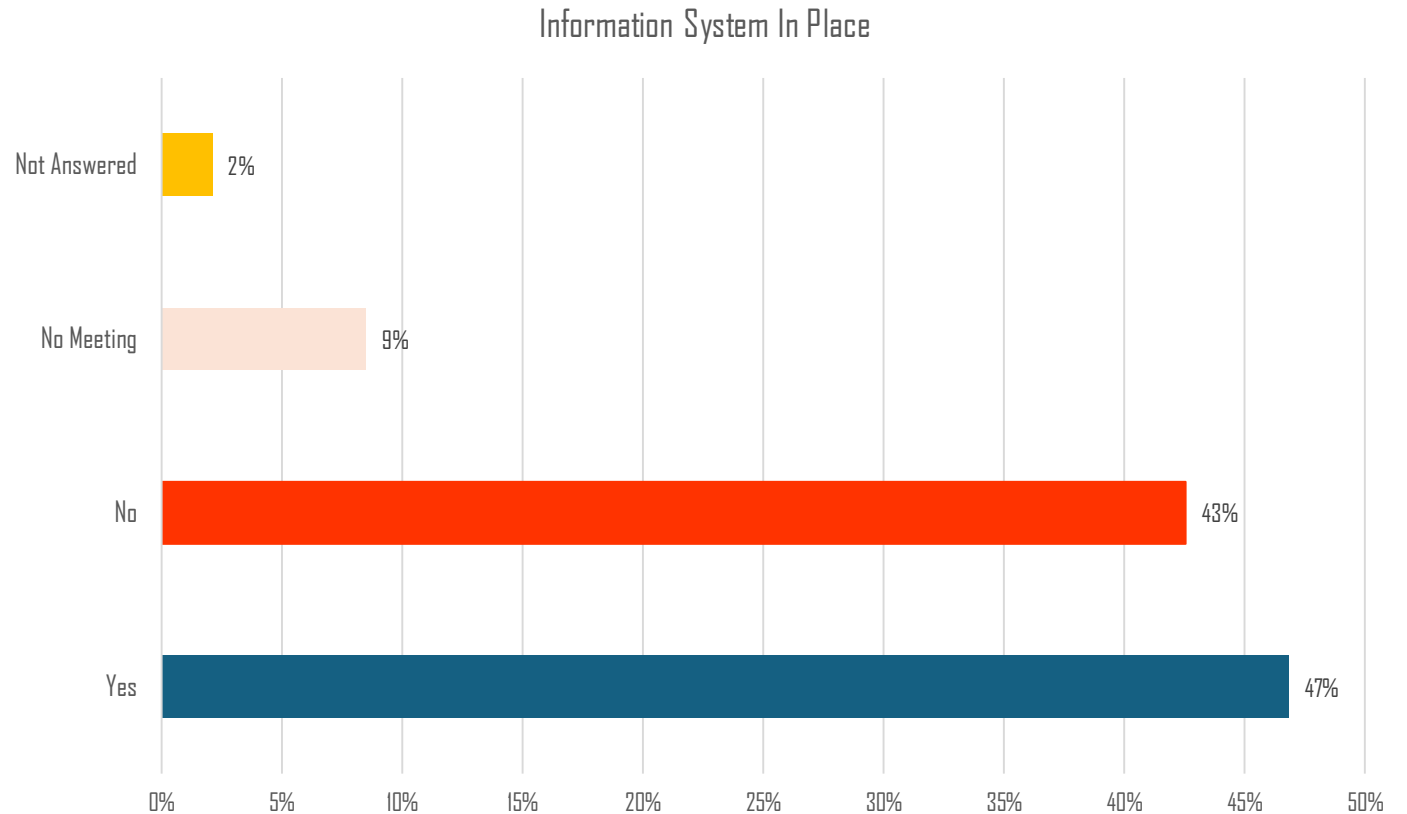


Prepare and annual National SDG report that documents updated data, program achievements, and any progress made towards the SDG's.



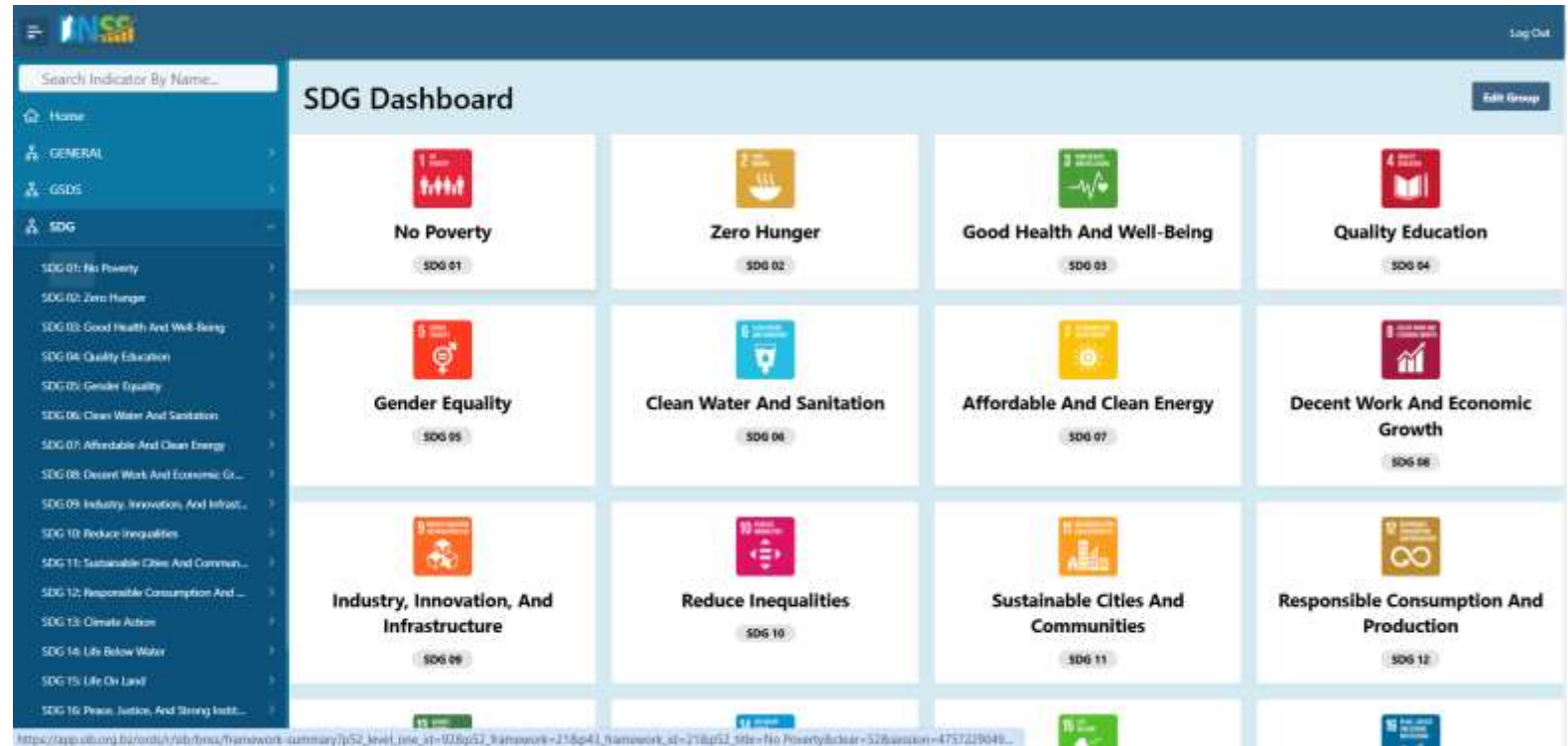
The Sustainable Development Unit will lead the roadmap for future VNRs with the support of the Inter-Institutional Review Committee (IRC) and the UN to ensure no one is left behind.

II. How can investments in data today strengthen SDG review and progress in the future?



1.) Belize requires investment in data collection. The bar chart above shows the number of ministries (out of 43) responsible for SDG data production, indicating whether they have an information system in place (Yes or No).

2.) **Belize National Statistical System (BNSS)** is a network of public institutions, organizations, and agencies responsible for the production, collection, analysis, and dissemination of official statistics in Belize.



SDG Dashboard

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3.) Data Ecosystem Report was key output resulting from partnership between the Statistical Institute of Belize and the Sustainable Development Unit.

This assessed:

- i.) data availability and priority
- ii.) institution specific challenges and gaps
- iii.) recommendations

How can interested member states start and present their VNRs in future HLPFs?



1.) Prepare on time: For the its second VNR, Belize started preparing 1 year in advance by having consultations with the stake holders, requesting data for the SDG indicators, and early report drafting to address the major challenge: data collection.



2.) Capacity building: being part of the VNR process with the consultants hired.



3.) Strategic planning: create detailed workplans, budgets outlines, and forming a multisectoral delegation.

As HLPF 2025 is the first after the adoption of the Pact for the Future, how can future VNR's align with inter-generational equity and the Pact's outcomes?



Currently, Belize lacks granular data on many aspects surrounding the youth.

Belize is engaging its youths.

Consultancy will guide to create a robust and well-informed youth policy for 2025–2030, developed by the Department of Youth Services.

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MEDIUM-TERM DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY
2022 - 2026



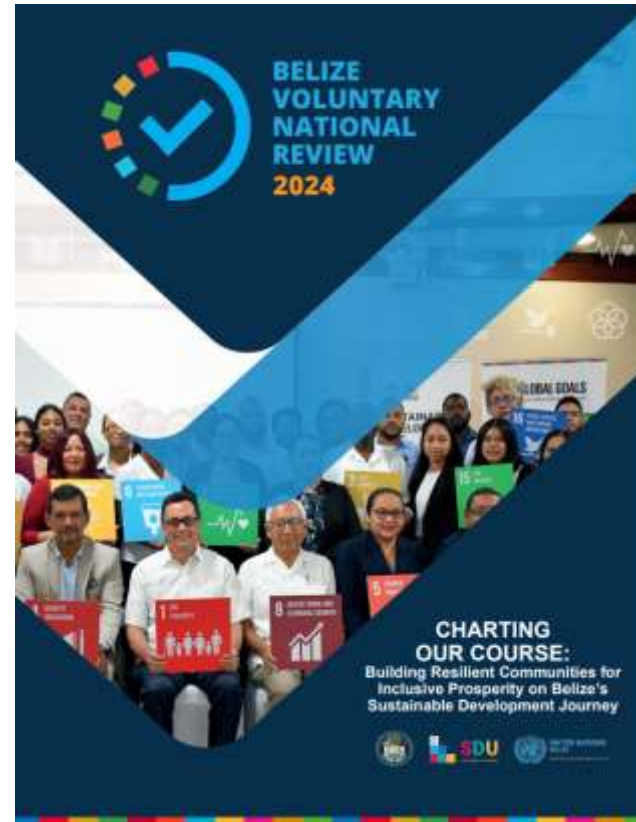
Political Will and Support for the SDGs

The Medium-Term Development Strategy consists of the six strategic objectives with programs/projects and initiatives aligned to the SDGs.

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October 23rd, 2024, marked Belize's official National VNR Launch. Mr. Alegria (Director of SDU) expressed: 'While there is still much work ahead, today we celebrate the accomplishments achieved so far.'