How NGOs are engaging with the SDGs
Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland (NIDOS)

A network of over 100 Scotland-based international development organisations and associates

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• Engaging with the SDGs framework development process

• Engaging in delivering SDGs in practice
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NIDOS members in Post-2015 Steering Group in Scotland ... drawing on ....

Beyond 2015: a network of over 1100 global civil society organisations’ / NGOs in the south and north

Beyond 2015 Membership includes organisations involved in sustainable development – focusing on tackling poverty and inequality in an environmentally sustainable way
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Beyond 2015 advocates:

• Leaving no-one behind – tackling inequality and poverty – both within and between countries

• Enshrining human rights in the framework

• Ensuring long-term sustainable development – bringing together tackling poverty and ensuring environmental sustainability in one integrated framework
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Why does Beyond 2015 advocate sustainable development?

• the world is running out of time to prevent dangerous climate change
• a healthy environment is needed for social and economic development
• environmental degradation affects the poorest most – both directly re security and economically
• some approaches to tackling poverty can in the short term increase long-term environmental problems - so we need to get the approaches right from the start
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Action in Scotland

• INGOs in Stop Climate Chaos Scotland – active in lobbying for Act and produced recent film on promoting Scotland’s progress

• Working with others in Scotland – e.g. Government, businesses, local authorities, communities to get action on emissions and renewables/efficiency

• Global Education initiatives in schools
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Action abroad

- Climate adaptation projects – e.g. water, farming, health, disaster warning

- SCIAF – organic farming project: demonstration farmers - using mulches, minimum tillage, rotations, natural pest control, to enable farming in more unpredictable climate
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Action abroad - Climate and environment-proofed projects

- **Water Witness International** - water resource management: balancing the needs of all users, avoiding or resolving conflict, and preventing degradation and depletion of water resources.

  *Tanzania project* – support for government institution building; water management committee; support for variety community needs (drinking, sanitation, farming, artisans etc) and securing their rights and clarifying their obligations; while also monitoring pollution and water resource levels.
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Action abroad - Climate and environment-proofed projects

• *Link Community Development: Solar Connect* install solar powered computers in rural communities across Ethiopia, Ghana, Malawi, South Africa and Uganda. With training and support the installations enable:
  • school and district staff to communicate electronically, reducing travel time and emissions, more classroom time
  • schools can access better online teaching resources and improve quality of teaching
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Action abroad - Climate and environment-proofed projects

- **Bioclimate**: Projects in Guinea and Sierra Leone which help combine two needs: reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation (fostering biodiversity and conservation) while also improving the livelihoods of local communities – through payment for ecosystems services (i.e. payments for not doing activities which are damaging to the environment; payment for doing things which are going to improve the environment such as planting trees) and community forest management practices.
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