Sustainable Development Goals
Scotland preparing for action
NIDOS: Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland

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What is NIDOS?

An umbrella body for and a network of international development organisations in Scotland – 116 members currently

Set up in 2000, to serve international organisations in Scotland – 15 this year!

Aim: to strengthen the contributions of Scottish organisations to tackling inequality and poverty worldwide.
NIDOS – the hub

What do we do?

- Help build member effectiveness
- Facilitate networking and collaboration
- Platform for collective policy and influencing
Civil Society in the process so far

Global Campaign for Action on Poverty (GCAP)

Beyond 2015 ... and many thematic groups

National consultations in many countries

Input to UN process - key calls for change

Key calls: Leave no one behind, human rights, environmental and economic change, and civil society engagement
Civil Society in Scotland

International non-governmental organisations

Diasporan community in Scotland

Scottish networks and domestic action
How to engage with SDGs?

Be part of the global debate through DFID, Scottish Government Steering Group, Beyond 2015

Raise awareness and build support

Build SDGs into and link with Scottish policies and practice
Global Debate

Finance for Development

UN General Assembly

COP21
Raising Awareness
Building Support

Global campaign to raise awareness of Post 2015 and build commitment

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Public and Politicians

Events

7 October: Inequality – bridging the gap in Scotland and internationally

Understanding Poverty

Student awareness event
Scottish policy and practice

National Performance Framework – Objectives, Outcomes, Indicators – internationalising and being coherent

Scotland’s Economic Strategy

International Framework and Country plans refresh – e.g. India and Pakistan

Scottish Business Pledge - international

Scottish International Development policy refresh
Policy Coherence for Development

“Let’s not give with one hand and take with the other”

- Aid alone is not enough to eliminate global poverty
- How our companies operate, the things we as consumers buy, and government policies on issues such as energy, transport, and trade all impact on people and planet across the globe
- All government departments should consider the wider impacts of their policies
- We want a Scotland that avoids policies that will have a negative impact on people and planet
Giving with one and taking with other

Africa receives $30bn in overseas aid every year

But every year loses...

$26bn to debt repayments, often following irresponsible loans
$35bn to tax evasion & tax havens
$6bn to migration of skilled workers
$46bn to multinational company profits
$3bn to remittances
$1.3bn to illegal fishing
$37bn adapting to the effects of climate change
$25bn to foreign currency reserves given as loans to other governments
$17bn to illegal logging

$192 billion in total lost every year

Politicians love telling us a story of how benevolent, rich countries are helping ‘poor people in Africa’ with billions of pounds in aid. We’re led to believe our kindness and pity can help Africa because it lacks the capacity to help itself. But the amount of aid going to African countries is dwarfed by what’s taken out.
Why policy coherence?

- OECD DAC Peer Review (Dec 2014)
- International Development Committee’s Beyond Aid report
- Lisbon Treaty
- SDGs
Scotland’s Role

Scotland’s Place in Building a Just World (November 2013)

Six focus areas:

- Economy and financial systems
- Trade and procurement
- Finance for development
- Climate justice
- Access to resources
- Global education
Learning from Europe

Countries
- Belgium
- Denmark
- Finland
- Luxembourg
- Netherlands
- Sweden

Key Structures
- Clear definition
- Political commitment
- Involvement of all ministries
- Thematic focus areas
- Reporting and transparency
- Civil society and southern partners

Policy Coherence for Development: Exploring and Learning from European Approaches (November 2014)
Want to find out more?

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