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If we are committed to leave no one behind, we must involve and capacitate the front liners of development — the local government units. And they need disagreegated data to formulate appropriate policies and programmes. The community-based monitoring system could be one solution as it provides that kind of information partnered with a local governance diagnostic tool kit developed by UNDP.

Renu Rajbhandari, Chair Women's Rehabilitation Center (WOREC)

Present economic policy divides civil society from the private sector, so how do we bridge this gap that is the biggest challenge...in order to meet transformative outcomes it is very much necessary to transform people's mindsets, and its very much needed that the whole governance system gets transformed.

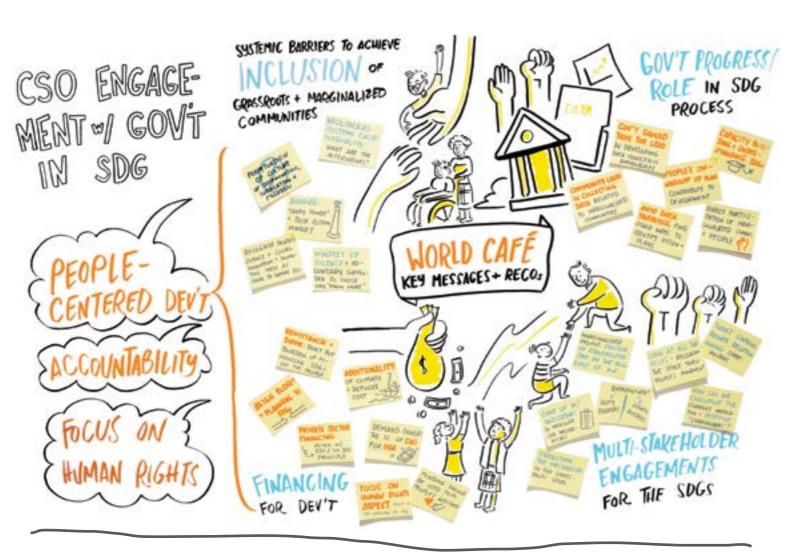




N. Paul Divakar, Chairperson, Asia Dalit Rights Forum

The governments in the region are yet to create an enabling environment for Civil Society Organisation from the excluded and marinalised communities, like Dalits and Tribals in a meaningful engagement, and this is where UNDP could play an important role in bringing us together, to have clear processes and tools to translate targets into clear actions.

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UNDP SDGs THOUGHTS FROM THE REGIONAL KNOWLEDGE EXHANGE

Development partners need to catch up to local actors who are charging ahead, along with government, the private sector and civil society. They need to get better engaged at home and at the country level.

FRANCINE PICKUP, DEPUTY COUNTRY DIRECTOR, INDONESIA



Agenda 2030
is a complex agenda
and there are no
easy fixes. There are
significant trade-offs—
and the elephant in the
room is the trade-off
between a generation
of jobs and protection
of the environment.



NIK SEKHRAN, CHIEF OF PROFESSION, SUSTAINABLITY DEVELOPMENT

The business as usual approach will not cut it.
Innovation is essential in reaching those at risk
of being left behind. And planning plus effective
coordination is the other half of the equation.
That is how one would work in the region, and a
context as exciting as the Pacific...



VANI CATANASIGA, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, PACIFIC ISLANDS ASSOCIATION OF NGOS, FIJI UNDP is helping
Maldives particularly
on governance and
human rights reforms
and we will continue to
need UNDP support in
these areas.





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