

# THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS AND GENDER EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND INCLUSION

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#### A PRINCIPLES BASED APPROACH



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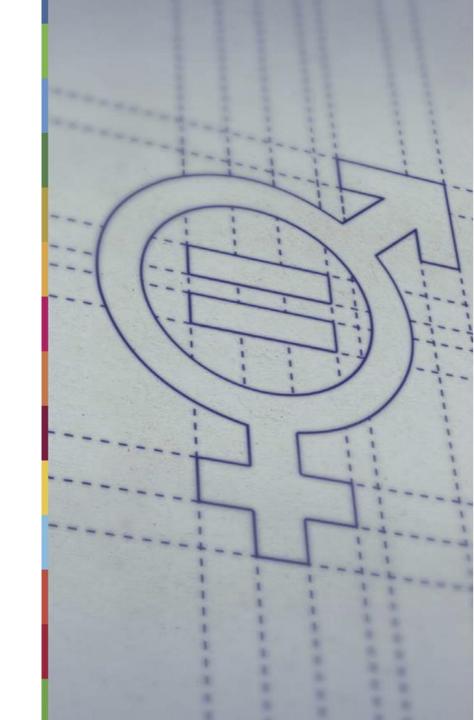






## CORPORATE HUMAN RIGHTS AND GENDER EQUITY

- Gender equality is a fundamental human right
- International Frameworks:
  - UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights
  - UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
  - Sustainable Development Goals
- Social sustainability includes EDI work and decent work principles such as fair wages, dignified work, equity of opportunity, non-discrimination, safe workplaces, mental health support, etc.



#### **VALUE OF PARTNERSHIP FOR THE GOALS**

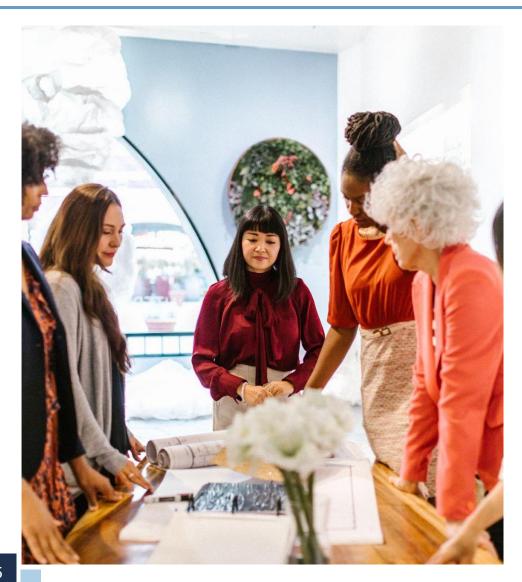


- Goal 17.17: Encourage and promote effective public, public-private and civil society partnerships, building on the experience and resourcing strategies of partnerships.
- Strengthening multilateralism and partnerships are more important than ever to solve the world's most challenging problems, including those related to gender equality, decent work, and reduced inequalities.
- Mobilize both existing and additional resources— technology development, financial resources, capacity building.



#### **ACCELERATING SYSTEMIC CHANGE**

#### THE CASE FOR GENDER EQUALITY LEADERSHIP FOR SUSTAINABLE RECOVERY



- Funding Source: Women and Gender Equality Canada (WAGE)
- Primary Aim: Assist companies in building equal, diverse, and inclusive workspaces
- Focus: Enhance adaptability and responsiveness via inclusion during global crises
- Partnership: Collaborate with private sector companies, professional networks, and gender equity advocates
- Objective: Document challenges faced by women and equity-deserving groups in the workplace and labor market
- Goal: Identify and implement solutions and best practices to overcome equity barriers



### THE FUTURE IS EQUAL ENABLING ECOSYSTEMS OF SUPPORT IN CANADA



- Initiative: The 50 30 Challenge by Innovation,
   Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED)
- Goal: Achieve representation targets of 50% women and 30% equity-deserving groups on boards and/or senior management roles
- Proud Ecosystem Partner
- Project Duration: 2022-2025 to aid organizations in achieving representation goals
- Support Provided: Tools, training, resources, knowledge, and networking opportunities for all Challenge participants
- Aim: Enhance capacity for holistic diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts in the future
- Long-Term Growth: Cultivating growth in accordance with Global Goals
- Specific SDGs Focus: Goal 5 (Gender Equality),
   Goal 8 (Decent Work Opportunities), Goal 10
   (Reducing Inequality within and between countries)





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