

SDGs Puerto Rico 2015-2030



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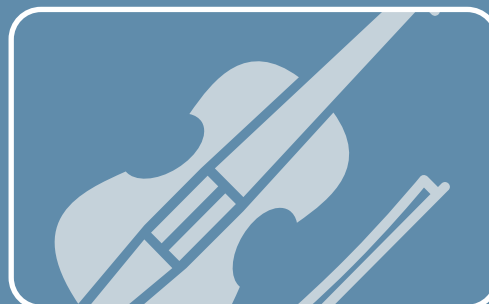
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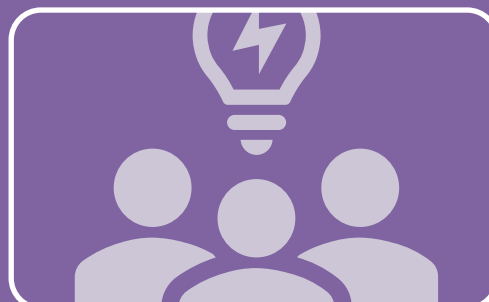
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A new generation inspired by both—the legacy of Pablo Casals at the United Nations and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



UNA-USA PR coordinates programs and activities in the areas of education and volunteerism—while collaborating on initiatives to promote, integrate, advance, measure, and finance the SDGs in Puerto Rico.

A blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all people by 2030

“The Sustainable Development Goals are a collection of 17 interlinked global goals designed to be a blueprint to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. The SDGs were set up in 2015 by the United Nations General Assembly and are intended to be achieved by 2030.”





PILLAR 1



PILLAR 2



Puerto Rico
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Proyecto Rotario PProPaz
Resolvamos Diferencias Sin Violencias



PILLAR 3



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2015-2030

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Web & Social Networks





Pillar 1: International & Local Collaboration

Led by islands for islands, the Local2030 Islands Network was launched as part of a Global Island Partnership event at U.N. Headquarters in 2019, during the 74th Session of the U.N. General Assembly. UNA-USA PR has been the liaison between the Government of Puerto Rico and the Local 2030 Islands Network.

The Network's Four Principles



Local Goals

Identify local goals to advance the SDGs and strengthen long-term political leadership on sustainable development and climate resilience.



Public-Private Partnerships

Strengthen public-private partnerships that support diverse stakeholders in integrating sustainability priorities into policy and planning.



Measurement

Measure SDG progress through tracking and reporting on locally and culturally informed indicators.



Concrete Action

Implement concrete initiatives that build island resilience & circular economy through locally appropriate solutions, particularly at the water energy-food nexus.



I am an island kid.

I was proud to see the Biden Administration embrace the Local2030 Islands Network.

U.S. Islands like Hawaii, Guam, and Puerto Rico will connect with island nations and islands around the world as they take the lead in pursuing sustainable development and adapting to climate change.

**Initiatives like these...
offer a model of what's
needed around the world."**



—— **44TH PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES BARACK OBAMA**

Statement during the United Nations CoP 26 Conference in November 2021



On April 12, 2022, the Local2030 Islands Network convened for the first in person high-level meeting co-chaired by Palau President Surangel S. Whipps Jr. and Special Presidential Envoy for Climate John Kerry on the occasion of the Our Oceans Conference 2022.

Secretary Kerry in his Opening Remarks noted leadership and action taking place at the local level, highlighting the efforts of U.S. islands like Hawaii, Guam and Puerto Rico to achieve a net-zero, climate-resilient economic recovery.





**SAVE
THE
DATE**

**IN-PERSON MEETING OF TWO
LOCAL2030 ISLANDS
NETWORK'S
COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE**

- *Data for Climate Resilience*
- *Sustainable and Regenerative Tourism*

APRIL 2-6 2023
Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
in partnership with the Pacific Risk Management 'Ohana
(PRiMO) Conference

www.islands2030.org

The Government of Puerto Rico (via DDEC) in collaboration with UNA-USA PR, sent its first official representation to the Local 2030 Islands Network, during the first face-to-face meetings of the Communities of Practice in Sustainable Tourism and Data for Climate Resilience—which were held the week of April 2-6 2023 in Honolulu, Hawaii. Nildamarie Diaz-Hiraldó, Supervisor of the Sustainable Tourism Division of the Puerto Rico Tourism Company and Dr. Pablo Méndez-Lázaro of NOAA and member of the Committee of Experts and Advisors on Climate Change; represented our archipelago in this event.

CORE INITIATIVES FOR PUERTO RICO



ENGAGE VIA COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE ON ENERGY, FOOD, WATER, DATA, SUSTAINABLE TOURISM & PUBLIC POLICY



DEVELOP SDGs DASHBOARDS TO INCLUDE PR IN THE US SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT REPORT & GLOBAL SDGs DASHBOARD



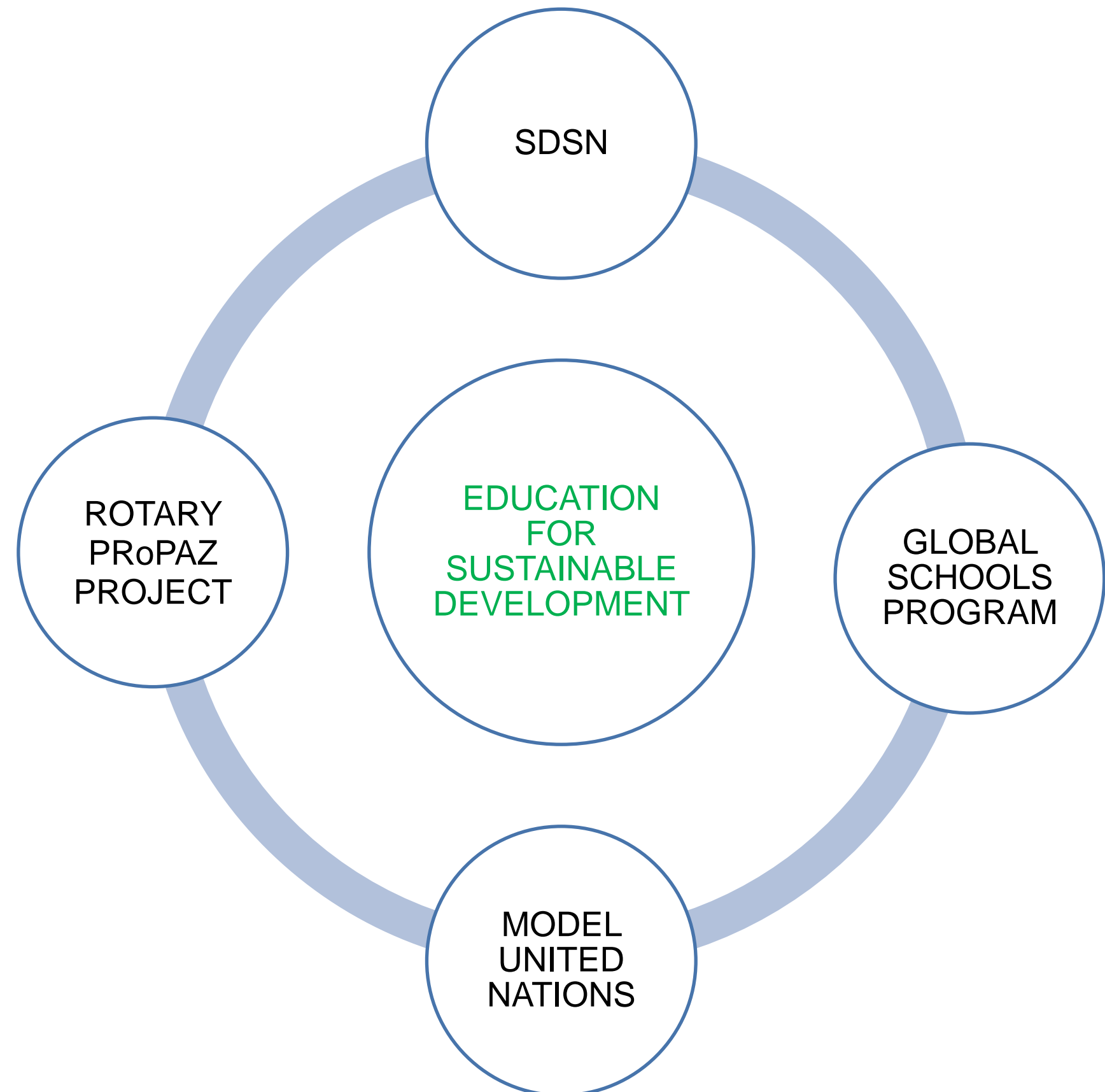
TARGET & MEASURE LOCALLY AND CULTURALLY PERTINENT GOALS WITH STATISTICAL INDICATORS

“Education for sustainable development (ESD) is UNESCO’s response to the urgent and dramatic challenges the planet faces.

The collective activities of human beings have altered the earth’s ecosystems so that our very survival seems in danger because of changes more difficult to reverse every day.

To contain global warming before it reaches catastrophic levels means addressing environmental, social and economic issues in a holistic way. UNESCO’s ESD for 2030 education program aims to bring about the personal and societal transformation that is necessary to change course.”

Pillar 2: Education for Sustainable Development



MARCH 10, 2021 6PM - 8PM VIA ENDI YOUTUBE

A DIALOGUE BETWEEN LOCAL UNIVERSITY
PRESIDENTS AND PROF. JEFFREY D. SACHS



ACCELERATING EDUCATION FOR THE SDGs IN UNIVERSITIES

MODERATOR: LUIS ALBERTO FERRÉ RANGEL
CHIEF SOCIAL INNOVATION OFFICER GFR



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GRUPO DE TRABAJO ODS
PUERTO RICO



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CONVERSATORIO

Educar para la sostenibilidad

Expertos urgen a las universidades puertorriqueñas a asumir un rol protagónico en la integración de disciplinas académicas a la hora de resolver problemas para impulsar el desarrollo

LUIS A. FERRÉ RANGEL
Especial El Nuevo Día

Las universidades puertorriqueñas están idealmente posicionadas para servir de plataforma para el desarrollo de políticas públicas dirigidas a resolver los retos que presentan los Objetivos de Desarrollo Sostenible (ODS).

En un conversatorio reciente con varios líderes de instituciones de educación superior de Puerto Rico, el economista Jeffrey Sachs, profesor en la Universidad de Columbia y director de la Red de Soluciones para el Desarrollo Sostenible de Naciones Unidas, urgó a las universidades a asumir un rol protagónico en la integración de disciplinas académicas a la hora de abordar los problemas a resolver por los ODS.



"Tenemos la gran oportunidad de convertirnos en el agente del mundo que deseamos en vez de ser las víctimas de él", dijo Sachs, uno de los fundadores del movimiento hacia los ODS y quien ha sido asesor de Antonio Guterres y Ban Ki-moon, ambos secretarios generales de la Organización de las Naciones Unidas (ONU).

En el conversatorio, una docena de líderes educativos dieron cuenta de las distintas iniciativas orientadas a la educación sobre los ODS, pero quedó claro que existe una oportunidad para sincronizar investigaciones entre las universidades y entrenar al sector privado y público en nuevas prácticas de sustentabilidad.

El conversatorio giró en torno a la invitación que realizara la Fundación de la

Organización de las Naciones Unidas de Estados Unidos y Puerto Rico (UNA-USA) para que el gobierno de Puerto Rico se una al "Local2030 Islands Network", la principal red isla que se ha comprometido a adelantar los ODS mediante soluciones desarrolladas internamente.

De su parte, el secretario designado de Estado, Larry Seilhamer, resaltó que el "sistema educativo establece la plataforma para comenzar nuestro trabajo".

"La crisis del clima es el común denominador de nuestros retos", dijo Seilhamer, a la vez que resaltó la política pública actual que exige que Puerto Rico transicione por completo del combustible fósil a la energía limpia y renovable para el año 2050.

A esos efectos, Ricardo Arzanga, director ejecutivo de UNA-USA, adelantó que ya Puerto Rico tiene el Grupo de Trabajo ODS 20035 que "cuenta con más de 170 personas y 80 organizaciones que componen este ecosistema de colaboración" representadas en sector privado, público, académico y ciudadano.

Ante este escenario de posibilidad, Sachs indicó que "el tiempo se nos acaba", pero que "nos encontramos en mejor momento que antes cuando el presidente Donald Trump nos habla colocado en riesgo a todos".

"Nuestros demonios, el odio y el racismo, tan presentes en nuestra historia, todavía avivan a muchos en Estados Unidos. Pero ahora es necesario seguir educando a la administración del presidente Joe Biden sobre la urgencia de seguir trabajando por las metas globales", dijo Sachs.

INDICADORES DE LA ONU

Los 17 ODS son una serie de indicadores socioeconómicos y ambientales que estableció la ONU, en 2015, para detener la es-



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plotación ambiental y humana del pasado siglo y dirigir la sociedad, en las palabras de Sachs durante el conversatorio, "hacia un mundo mejor, más justo y más sustentable económica, humana y ambientalmente".

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En ese sentido, el profesor Sachs invitó a las universidades a ver los ODS como "problemas a resolverse" e integrar conocimientos a través de diversas disciplinas para involucrar "a las escuelas de leyes, de política pública, de ingeniería, de salud pública" y demás a buscar esas soluciones a nuestros retos sociales.

Recomendó, a las universidades locales, unirse a las 1,400 instituciones de educación superior a nivel global que ya pertenecen a la Red de Soluciones para el



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SECRETARIO DESIGNADO DE ESTADO

Desarrollo Sostenible (SDSN).

El presidente de la Universidad de Puerto Rico, Jorge Haddock, abogó por conocer sobre las mejores prácticas para establecer esta colaboración, al tiempo que resaltó el dilema moral en que los ODS colocan a la sociedad.

"Además de las ventajas que trae en costo beneficio, trabajar hacia los ODS es la me-

jer manera de dejar un legado", dijo.

Por su parte, la presidenta de la Universidad Central del Caribe, Wiletska Crespo Rivera, enfatizó que su institución investiga el efecto de la disparidad en el sistema de salud pública y las estrategias para combatir la pandemia de COVID-19.

"Estas disparidades están relacionadas directamente con nuestra condición económica y política, pero estamos en condiciones para poder resolver estos retos", indicó.

Mientras, Jorge Iván Vilez Arocho, presidente de la Pontificia Universidad Católica de Puerto Rico, invocando un trabajo reciente de Sachs, abogó "por nuevas maneras de cooperación, métodos de trabajo y de gobernanza para reducir los conflictos" producidos por las inequidades sociales de hoy en día.

"En la teoría económica, tenemos el con-

NOTA DEL AUTOR: Este artículo atiende al ODS 4: Educación de calidad. Para acceder al vídeo del conversatorio, visite la siguiente dirección: <https://www.nuevodia.com/ver/375-5Des-03yPM>



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JEFFREY SACHS
ECONOMISTA DE LA UNIVERSIDAD DE COLUMBIA

cepto de competencia perfecta, pero hoy lo que hace falta es la cooperación perfecta y de eso nadie está hablando ni se estudia", resumió Sachs.

A esos efectos, el presidente de la Universidad de Sagrado Corazón, Gilberto Marxuach, indicó que "necesitamos nuevas maneras de colaborar transsectorialmente para encontrar sinergias en la investigación y desarrollar propuestas e iniciativas de políticas públicas concretas".

"Tenemos a nuestros estudiantes empujándonos en la dirección correcta", indicó Sachs. "Ellos quieren empoderarse y ser parte de la búsqueda de esas soluciones".

La pandemia ha cambiado la manera de enseñar y aprender, señaló el presidente de la Universidad Interamericana de Puerto Rico, Manuel Ferrás. "Hemos tenido que responder y adaptarnos a los humanos, terremotos y a la pandemia. Hemos tenido que aprender mucho en poco tiempo", sostuvo.

Sin embargo la educación hacia los ODS se presenta como una sumamente humana y ética también señaló José Pons Madueño, presidente de la Universidad Albitus.

"Estamos hablando de una educación humana e integradora", dijo.

Sachs recordó que llevaba varios años trabajando con el papa Francisco y academias pontificias en el tema de la ética y que las dos últimas encíclicas del sumo pontífice, Laudato Si y Fratelli Tutti, atiendan directamente las inquietudes plasmadas por los ODS.

"Nuestros estudiantes están preocupados y ocupados con cómo trabajar con estas soluciones, son ciudadanos globales que tienen fe en Puerto Rico", dijo Juan Nazario, presidente de la American University.

Sachs invitó al sistema de educación superior a realizar un foro entre todos los estudiantes universitarios interesados en los ODS. Instó, además, a celebrar el primer foro de desarrollo sostenible con la participación de la sociedad civil.

"Las universidades de Puerto Rico tienen una gran oportunidad de educar a Estados Unidos sobre los efectos del cambio climático no solamente en Puerto Rico, pero también en el Caribe con quien comparte intereses comunes", puntualizó Sachs.



The UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network (SDSN) works under the auspices of the UN Secretary-General to mobilize the world's universities, think tanks, and national laboratories for action on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Paris Agreement on Climate Change; empower societies through free online education; and translate scientific evidence and ideas into solutions and accountability.

The SDSN was established in 2012 by the former UN Secretary-General, Ban Ki-Moon, and world-renowned economist and professor, Jeffrey Sachs.





Global Schools Program

The Global Schools Program is an initiative of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network in support of UNESCO's Global Action Program on Education for Sustainable Development (ESD). Global Schools develops the tools, resources and programs to support education systems around the world in shaping a more resilient and sustainable world. The vision of the program is to create a world where every primary and secondary school student is being equipped with the knowledge, values, and skills necessary for effectively responding to the greatest challenges of this century and shaping a sustainable and prosperous world for all.



On March 10, 2023, at the Manuela Toro Morice High School, the Puerto Rico Department of Education and UNA-USA PR held the first workshop for the development of local lessons on the Sustainable Development Goals; for the future Global Schools Puerto Rico program.

MODEL UNITED NATIONS PROGRAM



Through programs such as Model United Nations and United Nations Student Organizations; students in Puerto Rico (6th grade to university level) are exposed to the SDGs while developing skills such as critical thinking, oral and written communication, interpersonal skills, negotiation, conflict resolution, tolerance, dialogue, teamwork and building consensus — thereby empowering them with knowledge and skills to help them become successful entrepreneurs and responsible global citizens.



Violence, both physical, verbal, psychological, emotional, and financial, is one of the most critical problems in Puerto Rico and therefore we have to come together as a people to address and reduce violence, including self-inflicted.

The Project's motto is: "Let's Solve Differences Without Violence." The Project requires for its success; actions at three levels that are intertwined:

The first level is educational, highlighting the problem and offering concrete tools for those who think being violent and those who are victims of violence (sometimes self-inflicted as in suicide).

The second level is in support of existing programs in Puerto Rico, the expansion of these programs, and the implementation of new programs to prevent and address violence.

The third level is to address the roots of violence for which we will use the 17 Sustainable Development Goals beginning with the first five (end of poverty, eradication of hunger, good health and well-being, quality education, and gender equality), and ending with 16 - peace, justice and strong institutions, and 17 – partnerships for the Goals.



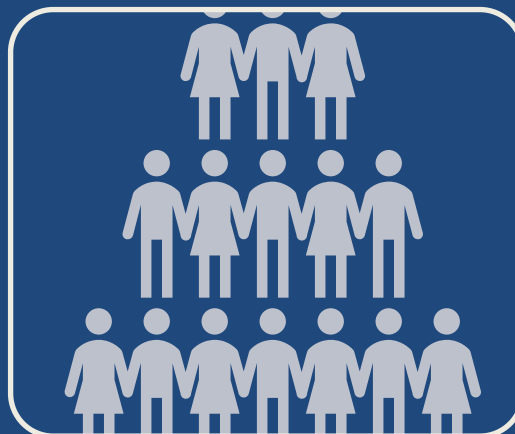
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DEVELOP LOCAL LESSON PLANS (K-12), TEACHER TRAINING PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES, IN COLLABORATION WITH PR DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, ACADEMIA, NGOs & SDSN's GLOBAL SCHOOLS PROGRAM



PROMOTE SDSN's SDG ACADEMY, UNA-USA PR's MODEL UNITED NATIONS PROGRAM & OTHER INFORMAL EDUCATION PLATFORMS AND PROGRAMS ALIGNED WITH EDUCATION FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



FORGE COLLABORATIONS & COORDINATE ACTIVITIES BETWEEN LOCAL UNIVERSITIES AND THE SDSN

Pillar 3: Environmental, Social & Governance

The Sustainable Compact



The U.N. Global Compact is the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative.

U.N. Global Compact USA Representative, Adam Gordon, during the *Puerto Rico is Open for Green Business Conference* on April 30th 2019. The panel was coordinated by Invest Puerto Rico, in collaboration with UNA-USA PR. Álvarez-Díaz & Villalón and UNA-USA PR commenced a collaboration to develop the first local case study of a Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) and a strategic plan for UNGC in Puerto Rico.



In 2022, Carla Joan González and local architectural firm Álvarez-Díaz & Villalón were recognized as *SDG Pioneer* finalists by U.N. Global Compact USA, for their efforts to advance the SDGs.



The image is a dark blue announcement graphic for the 2022 SDG Pioneer award. At the top left are the logos for the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the UN Global Compact Network USA. The main title reads "CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SDG PIONEER WINNER AND FINALISTS!". Below this, the "2022 WINNER" is Dianne Heiler, and the "FINALISTS" are Daniel Akinmade Emejulu, Carla Joan Gonzalez, and Monica Bauer Mengelberg. Each person's name and title are listed below their respective portrait photo.

 
Network USA

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SDG PIONEER WINNER AND FINALISTS!

2022 WINNER



DIANNE HEILER
SENIOR DIRECTOR OF PACKAGING AND SUSTAINABILITY,
REPLIGEN

FINALISTS



DANIEL AKINMADE EMEJULU
PROGRAM MANAGER,
UN AFFAIRS,
MICROSOFT



CARLA JOAN GONZALEZ
BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT & MARKETING DIRECTOR,
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ALVAREZ-DIAZ & VILLALÓN
ARCHITECTURE | INTERIOR DESIGN



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The Sustainable Compact

Awareness Raising

- Social media Campaigns
- Speaking engagements

Multi-stakeholder partnerships

- SDG Working group
- Annual conference
- Dialogues & Forums

Recognizing Leadership

- Rankings
- For-profits
- Non-profits

Capacity Building

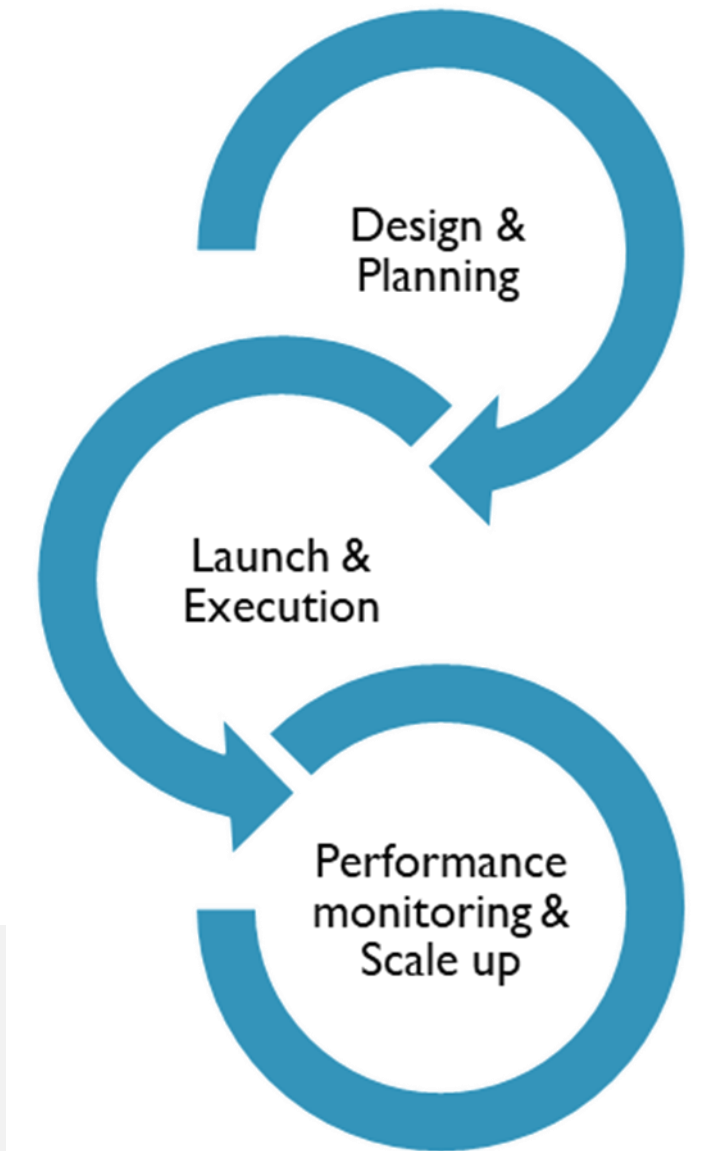
- Online academy
- SDG Accelerators
- SDG Incubators
- SME contractual partnerships

Policy Dialogue

- PR Manufacturers Association
- PR Chamber of Commerce

Social Enterprise Focus

- Materiality assessment
- Stakeholder engagement
- SDG Alignments
- Impact measurement
- Sustainability reports



Pillar 4: Stakeholder Networks Collaboration



PUERTO RICO
SDG WORKING GROUP



*The Puerto Rico SDG Working Group is a collaborative ecosystem coordinated by UNA-USA PR, which brings together over 100 organizations, companies, cooperatives, universities, and government agencies to help **promote, integrate, advance, measure and finance** the SDGs locally.*



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Asociación de Educadores en Salud de Puerto Rico (AESPR)	Lcda. Rosalie Ayala-Colón, MPHE, GCG, CHES® Presidenta Asociación de Educadores en Salud de Puerto Rico --



THE CLIMATE STRONG ISLANDS NETWORK

RCE Puerto Rico - REDeS is a network of government, non-profit and private organizations, as well as individuals that facilitate learning towards sustainable development in local and regional communities. It is one of the 179 Regional Centers of Specialization in Education for Sustainable Development around the world and the only one located in the insular Caribbean. It was officially recognized by the United Nations University Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies in January 2020.

Our RCE aspires to translate the global Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in the context of Puerto Rico. This is represented, but not limited to, the following transversal SDGs: (3) health and well-being, (4) quality education, (10) reduction of inequalities, (13) climate action, (14) life below water, (15) life on land (17) partnerships for the goals.

“Through this network we aim to transfer knowledge and skills between island partners to solve environmental problems in unique island ways.

We seek to open the doors to island community participation in the decision-making process over issues that affect us and to generate resources and attention to our islands. Probably, the most crucial issue that this network works for is to advocate for policy and legislation that addresses the needs and singularities of U.S. islands.”

Lirio Marquez, Steering Committee Co-Chair
CSIN Fall 2022 Gathering Opening Remarks

Pillar 5: Communications

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Fact #011

La costa de Puerto Rico alberga más de 1,930 millas cuadradas de arrecifes de coral poco profundos, pero estos corales están amenazados por la sedimentación, el crecimiento de algas, la sobrepesca, el blanqueamiento y el cambio climático.

**Según, el Reef Resilience Network

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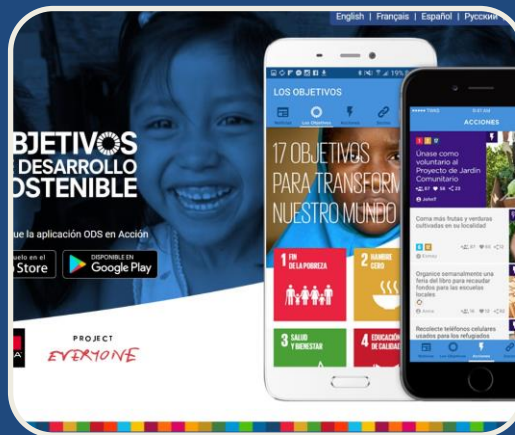
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SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS



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Funding & Advisory Council



We aim to submit Federal, foundation and corporate proposals to finance each of the 5 Pillars and core initiatives & recruit an Advisory Council that provides capital and serves the following purposes:

- Provides mentoring and guidance.
- Brings varied perspectives to the table.
- Ensures accountability.
- Represents all sectors.
- Amplifies the core initiatives with its network.
- Challenges the PR SDGs 2015-2030 to become and remain pertinent.
- Takes a bet on calculated risk, because its too risky not to!



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