

Workshop on Building Partnerships for Sound Policymaking and Effective Institutions to Implement the Sustainable Development Goals at the Local Level

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On 29 August, DPIDG/UNPOG organised the [Workshop on “Building Partnerships for Sound Policymaking and Effective Institutions to Implement the Sustainable Development Goals at the Local Level”](#) in collaboration with the [Ministry of the Interior and Safety of the Republic of Korea \(MOIS\)](#), [Korea Institute of Public Administration \(KIPA\)](#), [Korea Research Institute for Local Administration \(KRILA\)](#), [National Disaster Management Research Institute \(NDMI\)](#), [Korea Local Information Research and Development Institute \(KLID\)](#), [Korea Island Development Institute \(KIDI\)](#), [Korean Federation of Community Credit Cooperative \(KFCC\)](#) and [Saemaul Foundation](#).

The Workshop aimed to foster partnerships among the national research institutions, local and regional governments, and national government ministries to provide insights on developing SDG localization-related policies. The Workshop provided a significant opportunity for national research institutions to enhance their roles and contributions towards achieving SDG localization. It also encouraged national research institutions to examine methods to promote collaboration with each other in providing practical eye-level policies for local and regional governments to implement. During the Workshop, UNPOG and the 6 institutions (KIPA, KRILA, NDMI, KLID, KIDI, and Saemaul Foundation) agreed to continue the collaboration in promoting local governance and SDG localisation.

The Workshop was actively attended by 270 participants via Zoom and 230 participants onsite comprised of government representatives from UNPOG target countries in the Asia and Pacific and East Africa regions, foreign government officials enrolled in international training programmes at Korean universities, national, local, and regional government officials, public governance experts, and practitioners. The [Vice Minister of MOIS, Mr. Kidong Ko](#) also attended the Closing Session where he expressed his sincere interests and commitment from MOIS to work with UNPOG and NRIs to promote local governance and SDG localisation.