



## PROMOTE JUST, PEACEFUL, AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES

NWCI and our members campaign for participatory and democratic institutions and governance at national and international level, particularly seeking gender-inclusive and diverse leadership in all decision-making spaces. NWCI chairs the Irish Observatory on Violence Against Women, the network of organisations monitoring state responses to violence against women and lobbying for policy and legislative changes.

## ENSURE HEALTHY LIVES AND PROMOTE WELL-BEING FOR ALL AT ALL AGES

NWCI and our members work to support the implementation of the Sláintecare model of universal, public healthcare. In partnership, NWCI is developing Ireland's first Women's Health Action Plan, advocating for trauma-informed, gender-aware mental health services and caring, comprehensive reproductive services for all women and girls in Ireland.



## REDUCE INEQUALITY WITHIN AND AMONG COUNTRIES

NWCI and our members advocate and campaign for socio-economic development to be gender equality focused, sustainable, and just. NWCI advocates for the prioritisation of the most vulnerable and at risk of poverty to be the focus of national planning and budgeting, including the need for gender-proofed social and capital investment plans.

## ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY AND EMPOWER ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS

NWCI's mission is to lead and to be a catalyst for change in the achievement of equality and empowerment for women. We ensure our members' voices are heard wherever decisions are made which affect the lives of women. Our vision is of an Ireland, and of a world, where there is full equality between women and men.



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## What are the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals?

In September 2015, 193 countries met in New York and signed the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. This Agenda has become the guide to the world's social, economic, and environmental actions to achieve a sustainable future by 2030.

The framework consists of 17 Sustainable Development Goal (SDGs). Each of these goals has a number of targets associated with it (169 in total). Indicators identify the data that will be used to measure progress towards these targets and to determine if it has been achieved successfully by 2030.

The global progress is monitored by the UN. Individual countries must provide voluntary national reviews including stakeholder involvement. In Ireland, the overall responsibility for implementing the UN SDGs lies with the Department of Communications, Climate Action, and Environment (DCCAE).

Inclusion is at the core of the UN SDGs, and as a result, governments, the corporate sector, and citizens are called upon to make the SDG agenda a reality.

 [www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment](http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment)

## SDG Champions Programme

The Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Champions Programme is an initiative established by the SDG Unit in the Department of Communication, Climate Action, and Environment. The Minister and the Department believe that the SDG Champions Programme has the potential to achieve nationwide prominence and raise public awareness of the Sustainable Development Goals.

The purpose of the SDG Champions Programme is primarily to raise public awareness of the SDGs, and secondarily to illustrate practical ways in which organisations and individuals can contribute to achieving the SDGs, using Champion organisations' practices as examples.

Each Champion organisation is focusing primarily on a select number of SDGs each. As individual Champions will promote specific SDGs, each of the twelve campaigns will be distinct in terms of the goals they are championing.

However, all twelve campaigns will be built around the core message that the Sustainable Development Goals are for everyone in society and that everyone can make a contribution, large or small, to their success.



NWCI is the leading feminist women's organisation in Ireland. Our vision is of an Ireland and a world where every woman and girl can achieve her full potential in a just and equal society.

We represent and take our mandate from our over 190 member groups from diverse backgrounds, sectors and locations and our growing individual members who support our vision for a feminist Ireland. With our members, we campaign on realising women's right to health and bodily integrity; ending violence against women; recognising and valuing women's care roles; ensuring economic independence for women; promoting women's leadership and representation in decision-making.

NWCI works to develop solidarity between women in all their diversity, through empowerment, collaboration, and participation of all women in Ireland and globally. Women's rights are human rights, requiring global interdependence, justice, and sustainability. NWCI believes in the dignity and human rights of all human beings. These rights are universal, inalienable, and indivisible. NWCI acknowledges the intersectionality of women's lived experiences and in particular seeks to end discrimination and marginalisation of women on the grounds of gender, family status, religion, race, age, sexual orientation, marital status, disability, ethnicity, or membership of the Travelling Community.

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