Case study for Road Map on Statistics for SDGs 2.0

United Kingdom: Inclusive Data Charter

Description
The Inclusive Data Charter (IDC) is an initiative developed by a task team of Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD) partners with the intention of mobilising political commitments and meaningful actions to deepen data disaggregation. IDC has five key principles:

1. All populations must be included in the data.
2. All data should, wherever possible, be disaggregated in order to accurately describe all populations.
3. Data should be drawn from all available sources.
4. Those responsible for the collection of data and production of statistics must be accountable.
5. Human and technical capacity to collect, analyse, and use disaggregated data must be improved, including through adequate and sustainable financing.

Advantages
IDC is a multi-stakeholder mechanism with a core group of governments, international organizations, and civil society groups that have signed up as champions, each with their own individual action plan.

Both ONS and the UK Department for International Development (DfID) are signed up as IDC champions and have created their own action plans.

Challenges
Our role as a technical advisor means brokering relationships to bring people together to work on projects. It can be difficult to identify and bring together people with skills/needs that are aligned.

Future steps
Continue to collect and disseminate disaggregated data for the whole UK.

More information
https://data4sdgs.org/inclusivedatacharter
https://www.ons.gov.uk/economy/environmentalaccounts/methodologies/inclusivedatacharteractionplanfortheglobalsustainabledevelopmentgoals