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# CRVS and the SDGs

Workshop for selected National CRVS Focal Points

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# Why is CRVS Important?

- Birth registration and legal identity is a human right
- Population registers are the cornerstone for other national registers and census
- Vital statistics obtained through data from civil registration is crucial for policy making and measuring social and economic progress
- CRVS is about the fundamental relationship between an individual and the government. It is therefore at the core of good governance
- A key to development and a key to protection of vulnerable groups ensuring no one is left behind

1 NO POVERTY
2 ZERO HUNGER
3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
4 QUALITY EDUCATION
5 GENDER EQUALITY
6 CLEAN WATER AND SANITATION
7 AFFORDABLE AND CLEAN ENERGY
8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH
9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE
10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES
11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES
THE GLOBAL GOALS
For Sustainable Development
12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION
13 CLIMATE ACTION
14 LIFE BELOW WATER
15 LIFE ON LAND
16 PEACE AND JUSTICE STRONG INSTITUTIONS
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

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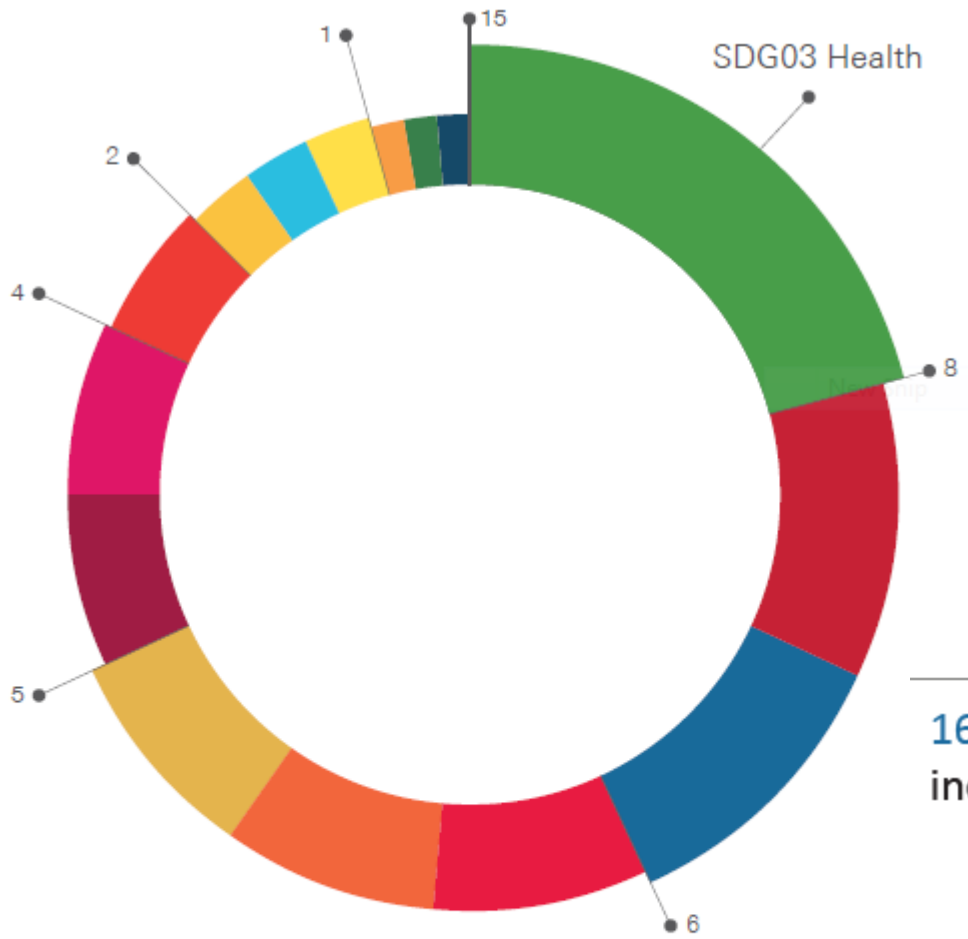
- Target 16.9: “By 2030, provide **legal identity** for all, including birth registration"
- Indicator 16.9.1 measures birth registration (under 5 and under 1) –prerequisite and first step towards obtaining a legal identity
- 72 of 230 SDG indicators could be completely or partially calculated using data originated from a well-functioning CRVS System

Figure 1: SDG indicators that have source data from a CRVS system[1]




- G01 Poverty
- G02 Hunger
- G03 Health
- G04 Education
- G05 Gender
- G06 Water
- G07 Energy
- G08 Work
- G09 Industry
- G11 Cities
- G13 Climate
- G16 Peace
- G17 Partnerships

16.9 By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration.

# Sustainable Development Goal 16, Target 16.9

- “By 2030, provide **legal identity** for all, including birth registration"
  - Legal identity begins at birth, with biographic information collected through the civil registration system
  - Facilitate access to services and enforcements of rights
  - Death information collected through civil registration is also crucial for a functioning national ID system and delivery of health services
  - CRVS+ (registration, ID and statistics)

# Attaining the SDGs with CRVS

- Birth registration is a human right
- Enables informed policy decisions and targeted interventions
  - Understanding why people are dying is necessary to fight disease
- Facilitates the implementation of Universal health and education coverage
- Inclusive CRVS systems are necessary to ensure ‘no one is left behind’

# How can CRVS benefit from the 2030 Agenda ?

- Enhance awareness of CRVS systems by:
  - Promoting CRVS system across many government ministries and topic areas
  - Emphasizing to ministries that CRVS data will enable them to respond concretely to the information requirements of the SDG
  - *Mentioning* SDGs in all CRVS reports, posters, advertisements, proposals, and other documents

# Linking CRVS with national development and SDG plans

- CRVS efforts both benefit from and contribute to ongoing SDG efforts
  - CRVS touches on/contributes to many domains of government and society (10 Goals, 26 Targets)
  - CRVS systems need to develop a *strategy* to ensure they benefit from participation in the SDG program
- CRVS should be integrated with ongoing SDG efforts at the national, sub-regional and regional levels

# Further resources

- http://getinthepicture.org/resource/role-crvs-achieving-sustainable-development-goals

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# Thank you!

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