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Sustainable Development Goal # 17. Partnership for the Goals and Youth Involvement

Successful implementation of the sustainable development agenda is impossible without building at the global, regional and local levels all-inclusive partnership among governments, private sector and civil society, which is built on principles and values, shared vision and common goals oriented towards the interests of humanity and the planet.

The complexity and interconnectedness of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) require a new way of doing business. All the participants in the development process have to interact and share knowledge in order to support the implementation and monitor the execution of the SDGs. Urgent actions are required to mobilize, redirect and release the transformative power of trillions of dollars of private resources to fulfill commitments to sustainable development. In critically important places, especially in the developing countries, long-term investments are required, including foreign direct investment. This refers to sustainable energy, infrastructure and transport, as well as information and communication technologies.

Such a state of affairs poses a question, how and in what way can the younger generation help in this situation, and how can young people be involved in the development of partnership for sustainable development? There may be several options.

First, one of the most common ways is to learn a foreign language. Possessing the knowledge of a foreign language a young person can go on vacation to a developing country in order to support the economy of that country in such a way.

Second, to achieve the UN SDGs, it is necessary to understand that it is impossible to do without the help of volunteers. Therefore, one of the ways to involve the younger generation in international partnership for sustainable development can be participation of young people in international volunteer projects. They can go to the developing countries and help them in various aspects. Governments, in turn, can provide a visa-free travel regime for the young volunteers under the age of 25, who go to the developing countries.

Third, by supporting the producers from the developing countries and purchasing from time to time of their products, which are usually more affordable, young people make a personal

contribution to the achievement of the UN SDGs. This will stimulate international trade, which in turn promotes the development of international partnership.

Fourth, the governments should draw the attention of young people to various reports and discussions on sustainable development, demonstrating the results of the already achieved and the outlining for the future tasks. In this way, the younger generation will be able to monitor their country's activity in the field of promoting international development and find out which countries are being supported and why. This in turn will lead to the fact that the younger generation will be in favor of a policy that leads to universal prosperity, and not focused only on personal or national interests.