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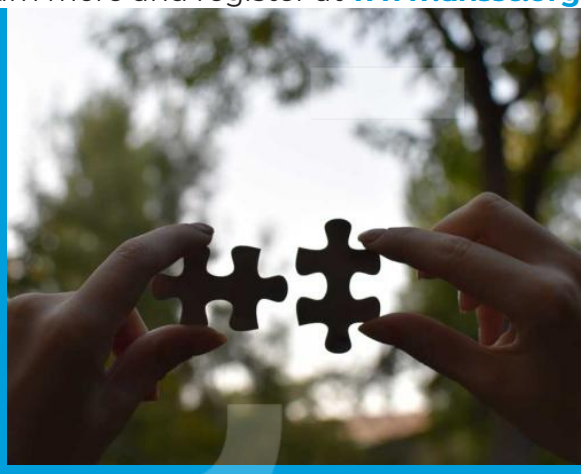
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Partnerships, Financing and Resource Mobilization for Sustainable Development

Stakeholder engagement and partnerships

Sustainable development and the SDGs



LANGUAGE	DURATION	ENROLL BY	PRICE	LOCATION	TARGET
English	5 weeks	24 Feb 2026	1,500 USD	ONLINE	UN Only

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As the United Nations Development System (UNDS) is transforming to overcome emerging crises to stay on course to deliver on the promise of the 2030 Agenda, it is imperative to understand and be able to adapt to an ever-evolving partnerships, financing and resource mobilization landscape. This engaging course is designed to equip UN staff with the knowledge and skills to navigate this transformation through instructor-led expert sessions, insightful peer learning, and practical exploration of tools and frameworks.

Introduction

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development is ambitious in its scope and aims at a fundamental transformation of society. There is an increasing recognition within the UN that the transformation will require a radical shift in how we think and work. The challenge before us is equally to understand that working collaboratively within the UN system and engaging with diverse stakeholders is imperative to stay on course to implement the 2030 Agenda.

Furthermore, the implementation of the 2030 Agenda requires financing to the tune of several trillions of dollars, while current levels of Official Development Assistance stand at a mere 3-4 percent of this requirement. This requires unlocking innovative sources of finance and leveraging ODA more effectively to channel our global financial flows and private-sector commitment towards sustainable development to accomplish the transformation.

This course is designed to equip UN staff with the knowledge and skills to make this transformation a reality by leveraging the power of partnerships and exploring innovative financing models and strategic approaches to resource mobilization.

Objectives

Upon successful completion of this course, participants will:

- Develop an understanding of the changing UN landscape and the funding of the UN development system, especially in view of its reform and repositioning process.
- Understand how unlocking global financial flows, including public, private, national, and international sources, can be strategically leveraged to ensure we leave no one behind.
- Be equipped to utilize tools to approach cross-sector sector partnerships that create shared value while mitigating reputational risks.
- Be able to apply the elements of successful resource mobilization strategies to their work.

Course methodology

This course offers a blended learning experience. It combines self-paced e-modules that participants can complete asynchronously with weekly interactive virtual classrooms led by experts.

Each week includes approximately five hours of learning through a mix of self-study, live sessions, individual assignments, participant-led case presentations, and interactive discussions. The live webinars provide participants an opportunity to deepen their understanding of key concepts, apply them to real-world scenarios, and receive individual feedback and guidance, all while engaging in collective learning activities tailored to your professional context.

Course contents

Duration: Expanded over 5 weeks

Week 1: Laying the Ground – Where Are We? Changes in the UN Landscape.

Live Classroom Session: Thursday, March 5th, 2026 - 14:00-17:00 CET

Week 2: Bridging The Funding Gap and Leveraging Innovative Financing

Live Classroom Session: Thursday, March 12th, 2026 - 14:00-17:00 CET

Week 3: Building Partnerships as a Skill and Conducting Effective Due Diligence

Live Classroom Session: Thursday, March 19th, 2026 - 14:00-17:00 CET

Week 4: Unlocking Your Leadership Potential to Drive Change Within Your Organization

Live Classroom Session: Thursday, March 26th, 2026 - 14:00-17:00 CET

Week 5: Presenting your Elevator Pitch and Resource Mobilization Master class

Live Classroom Session: Thursday, April 2nd, 2026 - 14:00-17:00 CET

Target audience

UN personnel: managers, specialists and officers working at country and regional level with partnerships, innovative financing, and resource mobilization.

Cost of participation

The course fee of USD 1,500 covers the following:

- Live classroom sessions with experts weekly, which includes presentations, interactive exercises, and group work activities.
- Thematic modules for asynchronous self- study.
- Access to a dedicated course facilitator to answer your questions and receive guidance on navigating the course successfully.
- Access to UNSSC's online social learning environment with a repository of all training and supporting background materials and the opportunity to network and stay connected with colleagues.