

MONITORING AND REPORTING ON SDG INDICATOR 16.10.2

GOAL 16

**Peace, Justice and
Strong Institutions**

Target 16.10

Ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements

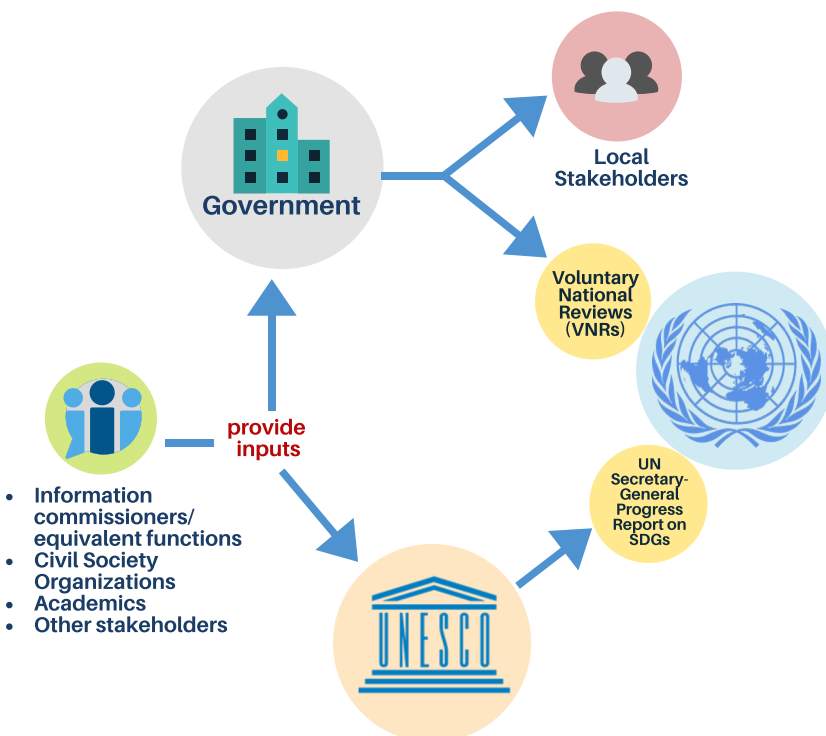


Indicator 16.10.2

ACCESS TO INFORMATION

"Number of countries that adopt and implement constitutional, statutory and/or policy guarantees for public access to information"

Tracking progress towards Access to Information



Access to information (ATI) is critical for:

- ✓ an enabling environment for investigative journalism
- ✓ media to effectively monitor and hold government to account
- ✓ the public to be informed about decisions affecting their lives

125 countries*
have adopted ATI guarantees

- 20 Sub-Saharan Africa
- 12 Northern Africa & Western Asia
- 12 Central & Southern Asia
- 9 Eastern & South-Eastern Asia
- 23 Latin America & the Caribbean
- 6 Australia, New Zealand & Oceania
- 43 Europe & Northern America

Source: 2019 UNSG Report on Progress towards SDGs. *Countries monitored are UN Member States.

UNESCO as the custodian agency for 16.10.2

What we do



Develop standardised monitoring and reporting instruments for SDG indicator 16.10.2 to assist countries in tracking their ATI progress.



Pilot global data collection in collaboration with UNESCO Institute for Statistics (UIS) on the implementation of ATI guarantees in 43 developing and least developed countries that submit Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs) to the UN High-Level Political Forum (UNHLPF) in 2019.



Produce global reports on progress in the field of access to information, including in the context of SDGs.



Strengthen the capacity of Member States to monitor and report progress in access to information.



Advocate for SDGs and ATI, and promote concrete actions to improve public access to information through public awareness-raising activities, such as the Open Talks on the International Day for Universal Access to Information (IDUAI), with governments, civil society, media and academics.



News

UNESCO launches SDG survey on access to information at the UN
<http://bit.ly/HLPF19B>

Information commissioners key to successful monitoring and reporting on SDG 16.10.2
<http://bit.ly/ICIC19A>

UNESCO convenes experts to advance monitoring and reporting on access to information
<http://bit.ly/ATI16102>

UNESCO event advocates for access to information within the sustainable development agenda
<http://bit.ly/HLPF19A>

UNESCO promotes SDGs to the world's Information Commissioners, discusses cooperation
<http://bit.ly/ICIC19B>

UNESCO's Monitoring and Reporting Instruments for indicator 16.10.2
<http://bit.ly/SDG16102>

UNESCO pilots global data collection on access to information
<http://bit.ly/ATIPilot>

IPDC Council encourages further development of mechanism to monitor and report on access to information
<http://bit.ly/IPDCATI>



Pilot countries for UNESCO's global data collection in 2019

AFRICA

- Algeria
- Burkina Faso
- Cameroon
- Central African Republic
- Chad
- Côte d'Ivoire
- DR Congo
- Eritrea
- Eswatini
- Ghana
- Kenya
- Lesotho
- Mauritania
- Mauritius
- Rwanda
- Sierra Leone
- South Africa
- Tanzania
- Tunisia

ASIA

- Azerbaijan
- Cambodia
- Fiji
- Indonesia
- Iraq
- Kazakhstan
- Mongolia
- Nauru
- Pakistan
- Palau
- Philippines
- Timor-Leste
- Tonga
- Turkey
- Turkmenistan

EUROPE

- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Croatia
- Serbia

LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

- Brazil
- Chile
- El Salvador
- Guatemala
- Guyana
- Saint Lucia

Key findings from the data collection:

Highlights from the 2019 UNESCO Monitoring and Reporting of SDG Indicator 16.10.2:

<http://bit.ly/ATIRReport2019>



Capacity-building projects on SDG 16.10.2

- Regional Latin America
- Côte d'Ivoire
- Ethiopia
- Ghana

- Indonesia
- Mongolia
- Morocco

- Rwanda
- Senegal
- Tunisia



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