

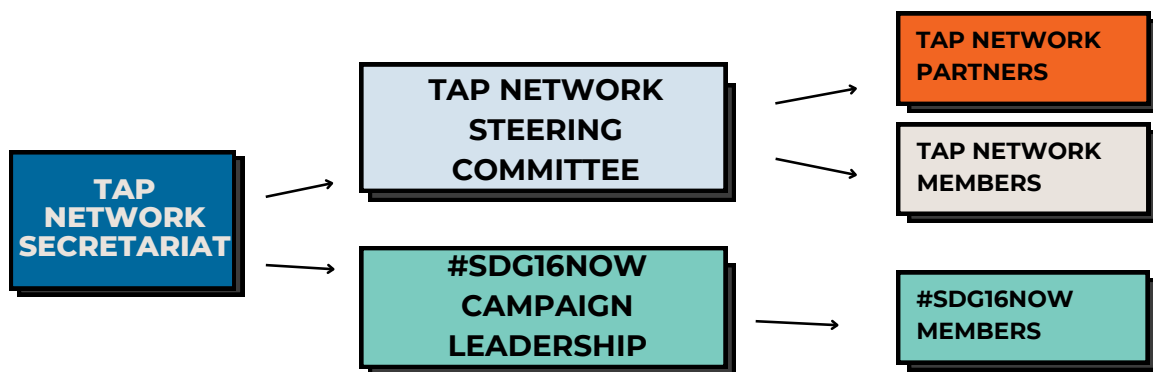
TAP NETWORK MEMBERSHIP & PARTNERSHIP GUIDE

Benefits, expectations and requirements of your membership status

Introduction

The TAP Network's engagement structures are broken down into three main categories: **"Partners"**, **"Members"** and the **"#SDG16Now Campaign"** with each providing very different sets of opportunities for engagement, as well as benefits and expectations from colleagues and organizations. These various options for organizations provide a responsive yet flexible engagement structure that enables TAP to identify key implementation partners to support its work, while at the same time being open and inclusive of organizations that are supportive of TAP's work, and enable broader mobilization, advocacy and engagement across a wide range of SDG16 communities of practice.

HOW CAN YOU ENGAGE WITH THE TAP NETWORK?



This document will outline the various levels of engagement you can take advantage when participating in the TAP Network or the #SDG16Now Campaign, as well as detail the various benefits and expectations of different levels of engagement. We hope this document will help you make the best choice for your organization as we collectively work to advance action on SDG16+ and the 2030 Agenda at large.

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- Overview of different levels of engagement
- Benefits & Expectations of TAP Partners
- Benefits & Expectations of Members & #SDG16Now Campaign
- Membership Tier Comparison

Levels of Engagement with the TAP Network

TAP Network “Partners” are the TAP Network’s highest tier of membership, representing organizations that take part in the in-depth and substantive work of the TAP Network, and work closely with each other through various engagement structures and channels. These Partners make concrete and public commitments to SDG16+ and the overall mission and objectives of TAP Network on the issues they work on. In exchange for making these commitments, Partners enjoy an exclusive set of benefits and privileges, and can benefit from direct support, both technical and financial, from the TAP Network Secretariat. TAP Network Partners also pay a very small annual membership fee, which contributes to joint activities of the TAP Network, and may outline and propose additional ways to contribute to TAP’s work. TAP Partners are also eligible for leadership positions within the network, including the TAP Steering Committee. By way of this process, TAP Partners are explicitly committed to helping take TAP’s agenda and work forward, and are identified as TAP’s key champions and go-to implementation partners.

Partners are expected to re-certify their Partner “status” annually along with a nominal fee.

TAP Network “Members” are organizations that can register to stay up-to-date on TAP’s work and can loosely contribute to taking TAP’s substantive work forward as opportunities arise. They are able to share in the information and intel-sharing and general updates that the TAP Network has become known for, and have access to a listserv of hundreds of experts on SDG16+ and the 2030 Agenda. TAP Members can also engage with many opportunities and engagements that TAP engages with, however are not eligible for leadership positions or for any financial or technical support from the TAP Secretariat. Membership within the TAP Network is limited to only civil society organizations or other relevant social or grassroots movements.

#SDG16Now Campaign Members: are civil society organizations, individuals, and other stakeholders (including Member States, UN Agencies, Think Tanks, individuals & more) that can participate in the collective mobilization and advocacy conducted through campaign activities, and thus represents the TAP Network’s most flexible tier of engagement. These colleagues are invited to contribute to advocacy, communications and mobilization to influence norms, policies and practices with partners working together at local to international levels through a common vision and coordinated activities.

[Visit the Join page to Start your Application](#)



TAP Network Partners

In addition to having their organization's work and their commitments showcased prominently on the TAP Network's website, TAP Network Partners enjoy a number of privileges and benefits as a result of their commitment to TAP's work. For more information with detailed guidance on how to become a TAP Network Partner, visit our website [here](#).

Benefits of becoming a TAP Network "Partner":

- Access to TAP funding and funding opportunities within the community
- Access to TAP funding and support for national and regional workshops
- Access to voting on TAP Steering Committee and other ballots
- Eligibility for upcoming leadership opportunities, including for national or regional engagement, or for membership on the TAP Steering Committee
- Organization's work and commitments will be showcased on TAP's Partner Platform Featuring your work and key resources, events, and funding/partnership opportunities on the TAP Partner Platform
- Opportunities to serve as speakers or co-organizers of events/webinars to feature your work
- Organization's work be showcased through TAP's multimedia "Storytelling Initiative" through written features, interviews, or webinar speakers
- Organization's work to be feature through "Partners Spotlight" in newsletter and social media
- Access to a broad, international community of like-minded organizations, including TAP's membership and exclusive partnership listserv to promote engagement opportunities, events, resources, etc
- Ability to engage in working groups and/or serve as "focal points" of any TAP working/coordination groups
- Ability to use the TAP logo on your website and other materials
- Annual Partner Certification for organization & staff who represent your organization with TAP

What is expected of TAP Network PARTNERS?:

- Outlining your organization's "commitments" towards SDG16, which will be highlighted on the TAP Network Partner Action Platform
- Updates and reporting on your organization's commitment over time, to showcase success stories
- Contribution of an annual TAP Partner "fee", determined by your type of organization, size, location, etc.
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- Outlining other voluntary "in-kind" contributions to contribute to TAP's work, whether financial, staff time, partnership, etc.
- Ongoing and regular engagement with all of TAP's work over the course of the year!
- Allude to Certified members

The TAP Partner Action Platform

One key benefit for TAP Partners is being featured on the TAP Network Partner Action Platform, a dynamic registry of actionable commitments to SDG16+ and accountability for the 2030 Agenda. While being one of TAP Network's main advocacy tools, the registry not only works to promote the wide-ranging work of our partners and civil society as a whole, but provides a foundation for our network partners to build more interactive and dynamic opportunities for engagement.

In addition to showcasing each Partner's commitments, The TAP Partner Action platform seeks to **facilitate the sharing of knowledge and expertise within the network and among key stakeholders in the community to maximize sharing and learning**. Each of our Partner organizations featured on the platform have their own customizable web page that features a variety of media showcasing their mission and work, their commitments, resources and publications, social media handles, among other content, including TAP "Storytelling" initiative content also featured on TAP's blog platform. New features will continue to be added and implemented as Partners' needs come to light and evolve.

**SEE MORE ABOUT THE TAP PARTNER ACTION PLATFORM AT
[HTTPS://TAPNETWORK2030.ORG/ACTION-INFO/](https://tapnetwork2030.org/action-info/).**

The image displays a multi-device view of the TAP Partner Action Platform. On the left, a laptop shows a detailed profile for 'The International Legal Foundation' (ILF), including its mission, operating languages (English, Arabic), and regions (Asia/Pacific, Middle East, Global). The main screen shows a grid of partner cards for 'Centre for Law and Democracy', 'VEILLE CITOYENNE TOGO', and 'NGO Federation of Nepal (NFN)'. A smartphone in the foreground shows the ILF profile on a mobile device. On the right, a 'Filters' sidebar allows users to search by 'Organization Name', 'Region', 'Country Location', 'Languages', 'SGD16 Expertise', and 'Area of Expertise'. Below the filters are several colored buttons representing different partner categories: 'TAP Storytelling' (red), 'Upcoming Event' (green), 'Seeking Partners' (blue), 'New Resource' (yellow), and 'Steering Committee' (orange).

<https://tapnetwork2030.org/action/>

SDG16+ Storytelling Initiative

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SDG16+ STORYTELLING INITIATIVE

CIVIL SOCIETY DRIVING CHANGE FOR SDG16+



Alliance for
Peacebuilding



CIVIL SOCIETY
PLATFORM
FOR PEACEBUILDING
AND STATEBUILDING



forus
CONNECT
SUPPORT
INFLUENCE



TAP
NETWORK
Transparency,
Accountability &
Participation for
2030 Agenda

Access to TAP Network Funding

Only TAP Network Partners are eligible to apply for the modest funding allocated to support travel and accommodations for key opportunities that may arise – most notably for the yearly High-Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development. In addition to being eligible to apply for travel support, only TAP Network Partners are eligible to apply for funding to support national or regional workshops around TAP's [SDG16+ Civil Society Toolkit](#) and other initiatives when funding is available.

Any and all funding opportunities will be communicated via the TAP Partner Listserv when they arise.

TAP Network Members

Key benefits of being a TAP Network MEMBER:

- Access to the TAP Network listserv for regular updates on opportunities for engagement with TAP's work and the work of the #SDG16Now Campaign
- Ability to post to TAP Network listserv
- Ability to contribute to any of the TAP Network's advocacy resources around key moments and opportunities at the global level

What is expected of TAP Network MEMBERS?

- Contribution to TAP's work, advocacy, engagement and mobilization on a voluntary basis
- Sharing of TAP's work with key partners around issues most relevant for your organization
- Participation in key moments and opportunities of the TAP Network
- Can provide a voluntary funding contribution to the TAP Network, or varying in-kind support

#SDG16Now Campaign Members

Key benefits of engaging with the #SDG16Now Campaign

- Opportunity to be part of a broader movement of SDG16+ partners and champions to mobilize for SDG16 action
- Stay up-to-date on key opportunities for engagement around the TAP Network and #SDG16Now Campaign

What is expected of #SDG16Now Campaign engagement:

- Participation in key moments and opportunities of the TAP Network, as relevant
- Sharing of information with key partners around #SDG16Now Campaign mobilization



Membership Tier Benefits

TAP Network Partners

TAP Network Members

#SDG16Now Campaign Members

What's Expected of You:

What are the key benefits to you:

What are the key benefits to you:	TAP Network Partners	TAP Network Members	#SDG16Now Campaign Members
Steady engagement in TAP activities, publishing commitments to SDG16+ & a nominal, annual fee	✓	✗	✗
Contribution to TAP's work, advocacy, engagement & mobilization on a voluntary basis	✗	✗	✗
Amplify messages and participate in mobilization around key moments and opportunities around #SDG16Now Campaign	✗	✗	✗
Access to TAP funding and funding opportunities as they arise	✓	✗	✗
Ability to vote in TAP Network Steering Committee elections and other ballots	✓	✗	✗
Eligibility to serve in leadership positions for the network, including national/regional engagement, the TAP Steering Committee & others	✓	✗	✗
Your work and commitments showcased on TAP's Partner Platform and additional opportunities through the "SDG16+ Storytelling Initiative or other platforms, newsletters and outreach	✓	✗	✗
Opportunities to serve as a representative or speaker of the TAP Network, or co-organize of events/webinars hosted by TAP	✓	✗	✗
Ability to use the TAP logo on your website and other materials to promote your engagement, & certificate of partner status	✓	✗	✗
Access to a broad, international community of like-minded organizations through the TAP Network membership listserv	✓	✓	✗
Ability to engage in working groups and/or serve as "focal points" of any TAP working/coordination groups	✓	✓	✗
Ability to contribute to TAP Network's advocacy resources around key moments and opportunities at the global level	✓	✓	✗
Opportunity to be part of a broader movement of SDG16+ partners and champions to mobilize for SDG16 action	✓	✓	✓