Results of the group work at the ESDN Conference 2016

(These are the pictures from the boards with moderation cards from the groups. A cleaned up version of the results will be included in the Conference Report)

Session 2 (Day 1): National activities for implementing the 2030 Agenda and SDGs-update, future plans and vertical integration efforts (group work result photos)
From the experience of seeing subnational activities, identify 2 insights about the 2030 Agenda implementation at the sub-national level.
ENHANCE LOCAL + REGIONAL INITIATIVES TO ACHIEVE TRANSFORMATION

GREAT LOCAL INITIATIVES → PEER "LET FLOWERS BLOOM" → LEARNING

Fürst local initiatives must be better accessible for all.
How to organize knowledge sharing? (on a European level?)

Tangible examples (and practice) very important to engage people.

Finding the issues that are relevant to local communities - release the local assets.

We need an EU framework on SD (e.g., Europe 2030 strategy) to steer EU sparring.
Political will

Sustainable mobilization because of fostering national & EU consistent processes
- SD governance capacities - EU wide human resources

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Potential of using/adapting existing sustainability frameworks - do not repeat.

Learning from each other is difficult because of different frameworks and initiatives.

Optimize existing activities and structures.

+ Creating new web/networks/connections
+ Mix and match procedures.

Relevance of the local/subnational level given but how do we measure or should we?

There is no one model of governance with regard to 2030 Agenda implementation.

Subnational demonstration because of fostering national & EU consistent processes
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Session 5 (Day 2): Fostering vertical integration in the 2030 Agenda/SDGs implementation in different contexts

Activity: develop practical insights and “recipes” for successful vertical integration (group work result photos)
"Recipes" for effective vertical integration

- Not one size fits all
- It depends on a country's structure, culture, history, delegation?
- Empowerment
- Enabling and facilitation
- Civil society + citizens
- Trust

It is more complex and interesting than vertical integration.

⇒ Mutual learning is important.

Tools
- Social media
- Campaigns
- Special events
- Recruit local leaders
- Target groups
- Data banks

Bottom-up approaches
de scale space for local initiatives

Recipes for effective vertical integration

Get together a group of like-minded people from different levels

Rise awareness
- Politicians
- Journalists
- Local politicians aboard

⇒ Institutionalise/institutionalise the structure

⇒ Set goals!
⇒ Measure success!

Start with one policy issue/sector (e.g., quality education procurement...)
Should be <em>Reality</em>

Political realization of such [Regional] role difficult because of 
[Regional] interests

Centralized holding together all other processes

So what?

We need to understand how the NGOs relate to all processes

NEED MAPPING OF [Horizontal] IN T

Deliver a double dividend

Translating 2030 Agenda for [Sustainable Development]

Identify key actors

Analyze strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, threats

Communicate successes, lessons learned

Set SMART targets and indicators

= set priorities
Practical insights:

- Vertical integration is more than just government, regions & municipalities, it also involves the creative sector & companies (esp. ESREDs).
- SDGs need to be tangable.
- Top-down & bottom-up at the same time.

General Requirements:
Methodology & Participation

Which role/responsibility for each level?

Good practice: Renew in Germany, Euronews from France (CSO Fridays).