

# Interconnected Issues

SDG Team Activity



# What do we mean by 'Sustainability'?

The Brundtland Report (1987) defined sustainability as 'meeting present needs without compromising future generations.'

It was pivotal in the modern sustainability movement because it brought together **environmental**, **social**, and **economic** considerations.

It shifted the global conversation by:



Introducing **intergenerational equity**.



Reframing sustainability as a **development challenge**.



Urging **economic growth** to be **sustainable, equitable, and inclusive**.

We'll explore how this shaped today's climate policy landscape in the workshop.

As pre-work we're going to focus on developing a greater understanding on the interconnected nature of sustainability issues, starting with the Sustainable Development Goals.

Adopted by all UN Member States in 2015, the **17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** form a shared blueprint and urgent call to action.

They link ending poverty with advancing health, education, equality, and economic growth, while also addressing climate change and protecting oceans and forests.

# The SDGs



The image above depicts the 17 SDGs.

[Learn more about each of the goals here.](#)

## Mapping connections

Choose **three goals other than SDG 13 (Climate Action)** that you think are most affected by climate change.

### Consider:

- How does climate change put this goal at risk?
- How could it affect your organisation? Specifically consider your mission, and the people you serve.
- Why might it be important to consider climate in your day-to-day role?

Record your thoughts and be ready to share with your colleagues.

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