

SUMMARY of SDGS SURVEY ACROSS NIGERIA

This brief report provides primary information on priority Sustainable Development Goals from the different geopolitical zones in Nigeria as attested to by respondents in the respective areas covered. Such an activity is necessary as it will enable performance comparison across zones. Since the overarching importance of valid data in effective planning cannot be wished away, findings contained here will among other things help influence and inform policies.

Specifically, these baseline studies would guide which among the SDGs to focus on, and monitor in each geo-political zone.

A total number of 160 respondents, all resident in either the state capital or a major urban centre, completed the survey across the country. A further breakdown shows that 35.57% of the respondents are females while 66.43% are males. Also, 18.88% of these were between the age bracket, 18-25 years; 62.94% were between the age bracket, 26-49 years; and 18.18% were at least 50 years of age.

All i.e. 100% of respondents from the North-West, North-East North-Central and South-South geo-political zones of the country respectively ranked **Goal 1** as highly important. A total of 89.5% of those in South-East and 97.1% in South-West however ranked **Goal 1** as highly important while 10.5% and 2.9% respectively in South-East and South-West Nigeria ranked it as averagely important.

Again, all the respondents from South-South, North-East and North-West Nigeria respectively ranked **Goal 2** as highly important. A total of 80% of those in South-East, 94.28% in South-West and 77.27% in North-Central Nigeria perceived **Goal 2** to be highly important while 20%, 5.72% and 22.73% respectively in South-East, South-West and North Central Nigeria respectively ranked it as averagely important.

All the respondents in South-South, North-Central, North-East and North-West Nigeria perceived **Goal 3** to be highly important. In South-East and South-West Nigeria however, 92.53% and 94.28% of the respondents rated **Goal 3** as highly important while 7.47% and 5.72% respectively in these regions ranked them as averagely important.

In South-South, North-East and North-West Nigeria, all respondents ranked Goal 4 as highly important. As for North-Central Nigeria, 95.45% of respondents ranked **Goal 4** as highly important and 4.55% ranked it as average in importance. In South-West Nigeria, 94.28% of the respondents ranked **Goal 4** as highly important, 2.85% as averagely important and another 2.85% as less important. In South-East Nigeria, 90.77% of respondents ranked **Goal 4** as highly important, 3.08% as averagely important and 6.16% as less important.

For **Goal 5**, 100% of the respondents in South-South and North-East Nigeria respectively ranked it as highly important. In South-East Nigeria, 54.54% of respondents ranked it as highly important, 36.36% as averagely important and 9.10% as less important. A total of 57.14% of respondents in South-West Nigeria ranked it as highly important while 34.28%

and 8.57% respectively ranked it as averagely and less important. In the North-West, 57.14% ranked it as highly important while 42.86% perceived it to be averagely important. As for North-Central Nigeria, 54.54% of respondents ranked it as highly important, 36.36% as averagely important and 9.10% as less important.

In South-South, North-East and North-West Nigeria, 100% of the respondents rated **Goal 6** as highly important. In South-East, 94.02% of respondents rated the Goal as highly important while 5.08% ranked it as averagely important. A total of 94.28% of respondents in South-West Nigeria ranked the goal as highly important while 5.72% believed it was averagely important. In the North-Central, 95.45% of respondents perceived the goal to be highly important while 4.55% of respondents concluded it was averagely important.

Again, all respondents in South-South, North-East and North-West Nigeria rated **Goal 7** as highly important while 92.54% of those in the South-East rated it as highly important. The remaining 7.46% of respondents in the South-East rated it as averagely important. A total of 94.28% of respondents in South-West rated it as highly important while 5.72% rated it as averagely important. In North-Central Nigeria, 90.90% of respondents rated it as highly important and the remaining 9.10% as averagely important.

A total of 100% respondents in South-South and North-East Nigeria rated **Goal 8** as highly important. In the South-West, 94.28% of respondents rated it as highly important, 2.86% as averagely important and another 2.86% as less important. In South-East Nigeria, 79.10% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 17.91% as averagely important and 2.99% as less important. Respondents in North-Central Nigeria that rated it as highly important amounted to 90.48% while the remaining 9.52% rated it as averagely important. In the North-West, 85.71% of respondents rated it as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important.

In South-South, North-East and North-West Nigeria, 100% of the respondents rated **Goal 9** as highly important while 78.79% of those in the South-East rated it as highly important, 15.15% as averagely important and 6.06% as less important. As for the South-West, 85.71% of respondents rated it as highly important, 11.43% as averagely important and 2.86% as less important. In the North-Central, 90.48% of respondents rated it as highly important and 9.52% as less important.

In North-East Nigeria, respondents rated **Goal 10** as averagely important while 71.43% of those in the North-West rated it as highly important and 28.57% as averagely important. In North-Central Nigeria, 68.18% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 31.82% as averagely important. A total of 83.33% of respondents in South-South Nigeria rated the goal as highly important and 16.67% as averagely important. In South-West Nigeria, 74.29% of respondents rated the goals as highly important, 22.85% as averagely important and 2.86% as less important. In South-East Nigeria, 56.92% of respondents rated it as highly important, 33.85% as averagely important and 9.23% as less important.

For **Goal 11**, 100% of respondents in South-South and North-East Nigeria rated it as highly important while 72.27% of those in the North-Central rated it as highly important and 16.53% as averagely important. A total of 61.19% of respondents in the South-East rated it as highly important, 34.33% as averagely important and 4.48% as less important. In the South-West, 88.23% rated it as highly important and 11.77% as averagely important. In the North-West, 85.71% of respondents rated it as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important.

In the South-South, 100% of respondents rated **Goal 12** as highly important. As for South-East Nigeria, 61.54% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 32.31% as averagely important and 6.15% as less important. In the South-West and North-West, 85.71% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important. In North-Central Nigeria, 57.14% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 38.10% as averagely important and 4.76% as less important. Half (50%) of respondents in the North-East rated the goal as highly important while the remaining half (50%) rated it as averagely important.

A total of 100% of respondents in the South-South rated **Goal 13** as highly important. In the South-East, 76.12% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 20.90% as averagely important and 2.98% as less important. In the North-East, 50% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 50% as averagely important. In the North-Central, 77.27% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 23.73% as averagely important. In the North-West, 85.71% rated the goal as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important.

For **Goal 14**, 50% of respondents in the North-East rated the goal as highly important and another 50% as averagely important. In the North-West, 71.43% of respondents rated it as highly important and 29.57% as averagely important. As for the North-Central, 47.62% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 52.38% as averagely important. In the South-West, 65.71% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 31.43% as averagely important and 2.86% as less important. In the South-South, 66.67% of respondents rated it as highly important and 33.33% rated it as averagely important. In South-East Nigeria, 51.51% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 34.85% as averagely important and 13.64% as less important.

In the North-East, 100% of respondents rated **Goal 15** as highly important, while in the South-East, 46.27% of these rated the goal as highly important, 41.79% as averagely important and 11.94% as less important. In the South-West, 77.14% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 23.86% as averagely important. In the South-South, 66.67% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 33.33% as averagely important. In the North-Central, 68.18% of respondents rate the goal as highly important and 31.82% as averagely important. In the North-West, 85.71% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important.

In the North-East, 50% of respondents rated **Goal 16** as highly important while another

50% rated the goal as averagely important. In the North-West, 85.71% of respondents rated it as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important. In the South-East, 63.08% of respondents rated it as highly important, 32.31% as averagely important and 4.61% as less important. In the North-Central, 63.64% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 36.36% as averagely important. In the South-South, 83.33% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 16.67% as averagely important. In the South-West, 71.43% of respondents rated it as highly important and 29.57% as less important.

For **Goal 17**, 100% of respondents in the North-East rated the goal as highly important. In the North-Central, 59.09% rated it as highly important and 41.91% as averagely important. In North-West Nigeria, 85.71% of respondents rated it as highly important and 14.29% as averagely important. In South-South Nigeria, 83.33% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 16.67% as averagely important. In South-East Nigeria, 58.21% of respondents rated the goal as highly important, 34.33% as averagely important and 7.46% as less important. In South-West Nigeria, 76.47% of respondents rated the goal as highly important and 33.53% as averagely important.

In the Table below, the ranking of the SDGs in order of importance across Nigeria averagely is shown:

| SDG Goals | Focus | Score* | Rank |
|-----------|---|--------|------|
| 1 | No Poverty | 417 | 2 |
| 2 | Zero hunger | 405 | 6 |
| 3 | Good health and Wellbeing | 417 | 3 |
| 4 | Quality education | 413 | 4 |
| 5 | Gender equality | 350 | 17 |
| 6 | Clean water and sanitation | 418 | 1 |
| 7 | Affordable and Clean Energy | 413 | 5 |
| 8 | Decent work and Economic Growth | 402 | 7 |
| 9 | Industry, innovation and infrastructure | 400 | 8 |
| 10 | Reduced inequalities | 368 | 14 |
| 11 | Sustainable city and communities | 384 | 10 |
| 12 | Responsible consumption and production | 369 | 15 |
| 13 | Climate action | 396 | 9 |
| 14 | Life below water | 377 | 11 |
| 15 | Life on Land | 363 | 16 |
| 16 | Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions | 373 | 12 |
| 17 | Partnerships for the Goals | 369 | 13 |

*The score was generated by adding the product of frequency and grade of each response (3-Highly important, 2-averagely important, 1-Less important)

