

United Nations 2030 Agenda and the Sustainable Development Goals

Introduction

In 2015, all United Nations (UN) member states came together and adopted [*Transforming Our World: The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development*](#). At its heart are 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that encompass the social, economic, and environmental challenges of today.

Many Government of Canada priorities align with the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs, including gender equality, diversity and inclusiveness, environmental sustainability, and economic prosperity.

All federal ministers, departments and agencies are accountable for implementing the 2030 Agenda and its SDGs within their areas of responsibility. This shared collaboration across the Government of Canada will help to ensure that Canada's commitment to the 2030 Agenda remains focused on effective implementation from now until 2030. Officials across federal departments and agencies are responsible for integrating the SDGs into their work, engaging with stakeholders and reporting on progress made on the SDGs within their purview.

To support a whole-of-Canada approach, the Government of Canada has established an SDG Unit to coordinate efforts, raise awareness, monitor and report on Canada's implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

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UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)	Planned initiatives	Global or domestic targets and/or global or domestic indicators
SDG 1 through 16	The NFB is the steward of a historically and culturally significant collection of innovative and socially relevant audiovisual projects reflecting the many cultures and perspectives that together make up Canada. This collection is also intended to raise awareness of the global challenges that we face and the actions taken to achieve a better and more sustainable future for all. The NFB intends to reach more Canadians in 2021–2022, foster proximity with its audiences, and raise awareness of its collection, which contains works that explore many of the issues the UN has	This Strategy contributes to an increased awareness by Canadians of the social, economic, and environmental challenges of today and the United Nations' 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the SDGs, including gender equality, diversity and inclusiveness, environmental sustainability, and economic prosperity.

	addressed in its Sustainable Development Goals (specifically, SDGs 1 through 16). The NFB believes that, through dialogue and through engagement with its audiovisual works, it can act as a catalyst for change, and contribute to the pursuit of the common good and the wellbeing of society.	
SDG 4: Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all	- As a trusted resource for Canada's educators, the NFB provides Canadian schools with educational resources in both official languages that help promote media literacy and global citizenship. - The NFB will roll out its new educational offer: the Media School – Digital Storytelling online learning program and the pilot phase of the Indigenous Voices and Reconciliation learning program. - The NFB will continue to support emerging Canadian filmmakers by offering them a practical and professional creative experience.	This Strategy contributes to: Global target 4.7 By 2030, ensure that all learners acquire the knowledge and skills needed to promote sustainable development, including, among others, through education for sustainable development and sustainable lifestyles, human rights, gender equality, promotion of a culture of peace and non-violence, global citizenship and appreciation of cultural diversity and of culture's contribution to sustainable development Indicator 4.7.1 Extent to which (i) global citizenship education and (ii) education for sustainable development are mainstreamed in (a) national education policies; (b) curricula; (c) teacher education; and (d) student assessment
SDG 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls	- The NFB's new Strategic Plan reiterates its commitments to create lasting change with regard to diversity and inclusion and gender equality. New targets will be set for racial equity, diversity, and inclusion, to ensure better representation of the great diversity of voices that form the wealth of our country. - The NFB will implement its diversity and inclusion commitments and objectives that seek to create an equitable and inclusive workplace.	This Strategy contributes to: Global target 5.5 Ensure women's full and effective participation and equal opportunities for leadership at all levels of decision-making in political, economic and public life Indicator 5.5.2 Proportion of women in managerial positions
SDG 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries	The NFB's new Strategic Plan reiterates its commitments to create lasting change with regard to diversity and inclusion and gender equality. New targets will be set for racial equity, diversity, and inclusion, to ensure better representation of the great diversity of voices that form the wealth of our country.	This Strategy contributes to: Global target 10.2 By 2030, empower and promote the social, economic and political inclusion of all, irrespective of age, sex, disability, race, ethnicity, origin, religion or economic or other status

	▪ The NFB will implement its diversity and inclusion commitments and objectives that seek to create an equitable and inclusive workplace. ▪ As part of its commitment to redefine its relationship with Indigenous people, the NFB will launch a new three-year term for its Indigenous Action Plan, which is inspired by best practices in production, distribution and organizational change.	
SDG 13: Take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts	▪ The NFB will launch two new modules for <i>Ocean School</i>, an innovative, inquiry-based online learning experience designed for students and educators. Learners are immersed in the world of ocean science and culture and challenged to explore the impact of climate change on biodiversity.	This Strategy contributes to: Global target 13.3 Improve education, awareness-raising and human and institutional capacity on climate change mitigation, adaptation, impact reduction and early warning
SDG 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas and marine resources for sustainable development	▪ Projects like <i>Ocean school</i> (mentioned above) encourage youth to take positive actions to improve Canadian oceans and their interconnected systems in order to bring about environmental and societal change.	This Strategy contributes to: Global target 14.2 By 2020, sustainably manage and protect marine and coastal ecosystems to avoid significant adverse impacts, including by strengthening their resilience, and take action for their restoration in order to achieve healthy and productive oceans
SDG 16: Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels	▪ The NFB's new Strategic Plan reiterates its commitments to create lasting change with regard to diversity and inclusion and gender equality. New targets will be set for racial equity, diversity, and inclusion, to ensure better representation of the great diversity of voices that form the wealth of our country. ▪ The NFB will implement its diversity and inclusion commitments and objectives that seek to create an equitable and inclusive workplace. ▪ As part of its commitment to redefine its relationship with Indigenous people, the NFB will launch a new three-year term for its Indigenous Action Plan, which is inspired by best practices in production, distribution and organizational change.	This Strategy contributes to: Global target 16.6 Develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels Global target 16.7 Ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels