

GLOBAL FOCUS

- Danish CSOs for Development Cooperation

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Global Focus

- Is a Danish membership body for non-profit organizations (NGOs) working in international development.
- National platform to the European Confederation for NGOs, Concord Europe

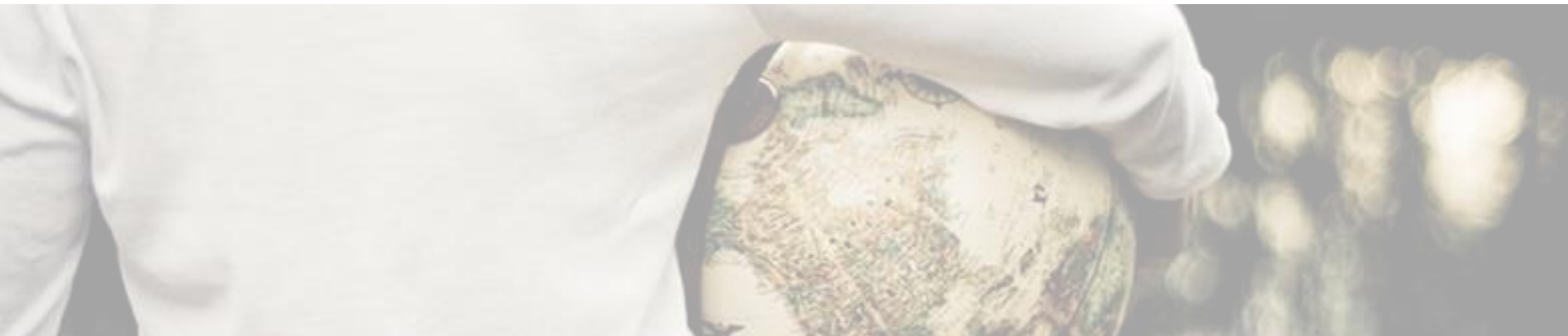
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- Political Advisor
- Main focus: The implementation of the SDGs in a Danish, European and global context



Danish Action Plan on the SDGs

- Adopted in March 2017 just after adoption of the Danish Humanitarian and Development Strategy
- Only adopted by the Danish government itself (not a political settlement)
- Main points:
 - “Denmark is well on its way”
 - Promise to create a screening of implications for SDGs in new law proposals
 - Creation of own targets and indicators to measure targets (decoupled from framework of the SDGs) with yearly based progress report.
- Used as foundation for Danish VNR 2017



Involvement in the definition of the action plan

- Almost no involvement of the Danish Civil Society
- Governments plan = no hearing process or other forms of involvement
- Multi-stakeholder roundtable February 2017: No concrete results



Involvement in monitoring and follow up

- Ad hoc and late, but in the end fruitful involvement in VNR process
Spring 2017
- Official hearing on the Government's progress report 2018
- Ongoing talks and relation-building with Ministry of Finance
- New: Half-yearly meetings between civil society and servants from different ministries



The Danish multi-stakeholder SDG infrastructure

- Purpose: Establish a multi-stakeholder involvement in the implementation of the SDGs in Denmark. Main components:
 - 2030-Network: All-party – 66 members of parliaments
 - 2030-Panel: Advisory body to 2030-Network with 22 experts/representatives of sectors
 - Annual Multi-stakeholder forum: In the Danish Parliament with 150 participants
 - “The SDG Scene” at the People’s Political Festival: Public inclusion and mobilisation

