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We gather data, document stories, accompany communities, build solutions from the ground up. And yet, despite all this, we remain too often scattered — working in silos, hoarding insight, repeating each other's surveys, drowning in reports that don't speak to each other." Al Kags- Executive Director, Open Institute:



We do not suffer from a lack of information. We suffer from a lack of shared information." Florence Syevuo- Executive Director, SDGs Kenya Forum



We are within the philosophy that drives us; Data- Driven, People-Focused and Result- oriented." Dr. Bonface Makokha, Principal Secretary, State Department for Economic Planning, Kenya.

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Introduction

As we closed the second quarter of 2025, the SDGs Kenya Forum continued to blaze a trail of inclusive engagement, bold advocacy, and unrelenting commitment to driving the 2030 Agenda forward. From Nairobi to Nyeri, our presence was felt — in policy rooms, county forums, media broadcasts, and digital platforms. This quarter was a defining chapter, marked by tireless efforts to keep civil society voices not only heard but also embedded in Kenya’s development processes.

One of our biggest wins this quarter was leading a bold and collective civil society response to the Draft Public Benefit Organizations (PBO) Regulations 2025. With over five weeks of public participation forums across the country, a three-day virtual stakeholder review, and strategic media engagements, the Forum remained at the frontline of shaping an enabling civic space in Kenya. We didn’t just participate — we co-created, consolidated, and submitted a unified memorandum that reflected the true power of partnership.

Our engagement went far beyond regulatory spaces. We amplified regional dialogues at the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD), advanced discussions on gender statistics and inclusive data systems, and convened youth and women-led conversations on climate action, digitalization, and fair trade. We showed that when civil society organizes, collaborates, and innovates — transformation is inevitable.

In this edition, you’ll find highlights that reflect not only what we did, but how we did it — with urgency, collaboration, and purpose. From gender-focused webinars to strategy launches with KNBS, we ensured that every engagement was people-centered and data-informed. Our communications strategy also reached new heights, bringing civil society narratives to national television, growing our digital footprint, and mobilizing stakeholders through customized and timely content.

As we now enter Q3, our excitement is palpable. The journey towards the **UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2025** has begun, and we are well-positioned to influence global conversations with grounded realities. We look forward to strengthening our coalitions, sharing powerful insights at global platforms, and advancing the voices of the people we serve. Together, let’s keep pushing boundaries and creating impact — because sustainable development can’t wait.

Executive Summary

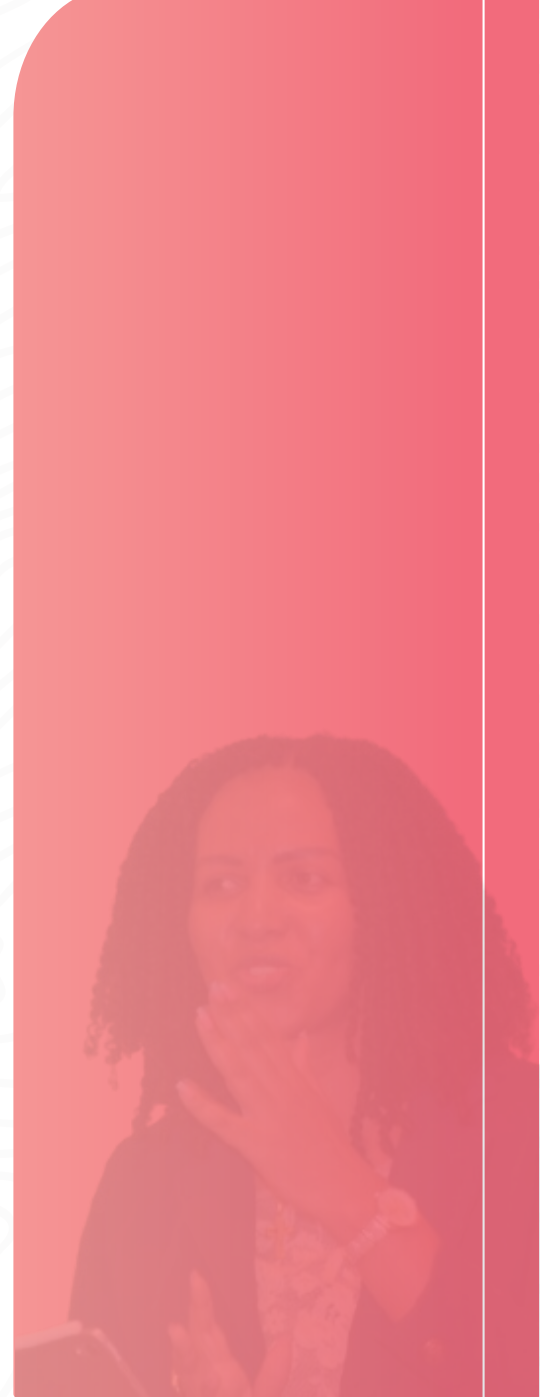
The second quarter of 2025 marked a period of remarkable progress and strategic engagement for the **SDGs Kenya Forum**. Building on our role as a convener and catalyst within Kenya's sustainable development landscape, we undertook a wide range of activities that aligned with our mission to amplify civil society voices and promote inclusive development. From national-level advocacy to regional dialogues, our work focused on strengthening coordination, advancing policy conversations, and ensuring that no one is left behind in the implementation of the 2030 Agenda.

A key priority this quarter was our active involvement in the **Public Benefit Organizations (PBO) Draft Regulations, 2025**. The Forum played a leading role in mobilizing civil society actors across the country, facilitating in-depth reviews of the draft regulations through a hybrid three-day workshop, and hosting a parallel virtual session to include online participants. These inclusive platforms allowed CSOs to analyze the regulations clause by clause, exchange diverse insights, and co-develop a comprehensive memorandum reflecting unified civil society input. The memorandum was officially submitted during the Nyeri Public Participation Forum—marking a major milestone in our continued advocacy for a robust, enabling regulatory framework.

Our engagement did not stop at dialogue facilitation. The Forum also coordinated targeted media engagements and supported widespread public awareness through customized digital assets and county-level mobilization. We partnered with media houses such as NTV, KTN, and TV47 to drive national discourse and public understanding of the significance of the Draft PBO Regulations. These communications efforts positioned the Forum not just as a facilitator, but as a key driver in shaping the narrative around civil society legitimacy, accountability, and sustainability in Kenya.

This newsletter captures these efforts alongside other strategic highlights—including our involvement in the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD), launch of the Data Commons initiative, county-level statistical engagements, gender advocacy forums, and youth-led dialogues on green trade. It also reflects our growing digital footprint and the consistent, coordinated communication work that continues to expand our reach and influence. As we prepare for the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2025, we remain committed to building a united civil society front and strengthening multi-stakeholder partnerships for lasting impact.

Florence Syervu
Executive Director



Key Highlights:

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Accelerating Civic Space: Pushing Forward the PBO Act Implementation

The **Public Benefit Organizations (PBO) Act**, enacted in 2013, is a transformative piece of legislation that seeks to create an enabling environment for civil society organizations (CSOs) in Kenya. It promises a transparent, accountable, and supportive framework for CSO operations—ensuring that public benefit work thrives and contributes meaningfully to national development.

However, more than a decade later, the full implementation of the Act remains stalled. To reignite momentum and drive collective action, the **SDGs Kenya Forum** hosted a high-level **PBO Act Implementation Stakeholders Meeting** in May. This convening brought together key voices from across government agencies, CSOs, and development partners to review the Act's implementation journey, renew dialogue, and align on critical next steps.

The workshop delivered several bold objectives — from reviewing the progress made, to aligning stakeholders on their roles, and advancing the **EU META Project** as a critical driver of CSO engagement in governance. Discussions focused on unlocking the Act's full potential to secure an enabling environment for civil society, with participants calling for urgency and collaboration.



Among the powerful outcomes of the convening was the **formation of a multi-stakeholder working group**, a **draft roadmap for implementation**, and a **Joint Communiqué** underscoring the need for immediate regulatory follow-through. The Forum has also established an [open-access SharePoint platform](#) to enhance information sharing and ensure transparency and collective accountability on implementation milestones.

This convening wasn't just another meeting — it was a momentum-building moment. With renewed commitment and structure in place, the path toward actualizing the PBO Act is now clearer, bolder, and more inclusive than ever before.



Following the successful PBO Act Implementation Stakeholders Meeting in May, the SDGs Kenya Forum deepened its engagement by attending a **follow-up meeting with the Director General of the Public Benefit Organizations Regulatory Authority (PBORA)**. The meeting offered valuable updates on the progress and revised timelines of the harmonized draft regulations, preparations for federation elections, and a renewed commitment to partnership between PBORA and the inclusive implementation working group.

To further amplify awareness and foster broader sectoral engagement, the Forum also participated in a **PBO Media Breakfast Sensitization meeting** hosted by our member, **HENNET**. The session brought together media actors, CSOs, and stakeholders to reflect on the critical role of PBORA, unpack the contents of the PBO Act and its draft regulations, and emphasize the importance of collaboration in navigating the sector's ongoing transition. Participants stressed the need for public participation mechanisms that are inclusive, context-aware, and responsive to counties affected by ethnic tensions.

Building on the momentum, the Forum **convened the PBO Implementation Working Group**, bringing together key players to share updates from recent engagements. The working group reviewed progress from the Stakeholders Meeting, the PBORA briefing, and the media sensitization event, and collaboratively mapped out strategies for the upcoming **3-day PBO Regulations Review Meeting** scheduled for **June 17–19, 2025**. This planning session focused particularly on how to engage and mobilize the wider CSO ecosystem to ensure no voice is left behind.

To reinforce the urgency and shared commitment, the working group issued a **Joint Communiqué**, widely disseminated via media statements and a formal press release. **The message was clear: the time to implement the PBO Act — fully and inclusively — is now.**



Elevating CSO Voices in Regulation: Launch and Review of Draft PBO Regulations

The SDGs Kenya Forum continues to play a pivotal role in strengthening the civic space by actively contributing to the development and implementation of the Public Benefit Organizations (PBO) Regulations. In a recent convening that brought together government actors, civil society organizations (CSOs), and the private sector, stakeholders gathered to officially launch the Draft PBO Regulations and initiate a broader national conversation on their relevance and alignment with the PBO Act. This platform reaffirmed the importance of a **transparent, accountable, and enabling regulatory framework** to support public benefit work in Kenya. It emphasized the urgency of accelerating progress to ensure that regulations reflect the needs of diverse actors, particularly those working in vulnerable and underserved communities.

Building on this momentum, the Forum, in collaboration with the **Kenya Platform for Climate Governance**, and with support from **Friedrich Ebert Stiftung (FES)** and **UNA Finland**, convened a **hybrid PBO Draft Regulations Review Workshop** from **17th to 19th June 2025**. The workshop's objectives included deepening understanding of



the regulatory environment, reviewing the draft document clause-by-clause, gathering lived experiences from civil society actors, and refining advocacy strategies. Participants engaged in structured breakout sessions, focusing on **gaps, opportunities, and alignment with international civil society principles**. The final day saw the collective validation of a **CSO-led memorandum**, capturing key insights, gaps, and concrete recommendations.



Participants contributed critical insights and co-developed a **consolidated civil society memorandum**, amplifying sector-wide recommendations. A unified position paper is now underway, intended to guide CSO engagement in upcoming public participation forums and further advocacy efforts with the Public Benefit Organizations Regulatory Authority (PBORA).

Through these coordinated efforts, the SDGs Kenya Forum reaffirms its commitment to **accelerating progress towards a participatory and responsive regulatory environment** that protects and promotes the work of civil society in advancing Kenya's development priorities.

Amplifying Voices: Public Participation Forums & CSO Memorandum Submission

In our continued efforts to ensure inclusive engagement, the SDGs Kenya Forum actively supported **digital mobilization** around the Draft Public Benefit Organizations (PBO) Regulations. Through targeted online outreach — including informative posters, timely reminders, and virtual meeting links — we encouraged widespread civil society participation across the country.

A significant milestone was achieved in **Nyeri County**, where the Forum **officially presented the consolidated Civil Society Memorandum**, capturing recommendations and insights from diverse CSO actors. This marked a key moment in elevating civil society perspectives in the ongoing regulatory reform process, reinforcing our commitment to participatory governance and transparent policymaking.

Advancing Gender Data Systems: Convening the Gender Statistics Technical Working Committee

In a significant step towards strengthening gender-responsive data systems in Kenya, the SDGs Kenya Forum, in collaboration with **UN Women**, the **Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD)**, and the **Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)**, convened a pivotal stakeholder workshop aimed at developing national **Gender Statistics Collection Guidelines**.

Held in **Nakuru County during this Quarter**, the convening brought together a diverse group of stakeholders from across government agencies, development partners, and civil society. Participating institutions included the **State Department for Economic Planning, State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action, Directorate of Population and Social Statistics, Ministry of Health, KIPPRA, State Department for Water, UNICEF, NGEA**, and several others with a key role in data production and gender equality programming.

This four-day workshop was organized under the umbrella of the **Gender Statistics Technical Working Committee (TWG)**, a multi-stakeholder platform that fosters coordination, standardization, and collaboration among institutions involved in the production and use of gender statistics.

At the core of the workshop was the co-development of **Gender Statistics Guidelines**—a foundational tool designed to support the **generation, analysis, dissemination, and use of high-quality gender data** across sectors. The guidelines aim to standardize the methodologies, definitions, and metadata used in the production of gender statistics, ensuring that data producers apply consistent and internationally aligned benchmarks.

Key purposes of the Gender Data Collection Guidelines include:

- **Standardizing the production and presentation** of gender data to enhance accuracy and usability;
- **Establishing clear benchmarks and best practices** to guide producers and users of gender statistics;
- **Enabling comparability of data** across national, regional, and global frameworks;
- And **addressing critical data gaps** that hinder effective reporting on gender-related goals under development frameworks like the SDGs, Africa Agenda 2063, and Kenya Vision 2030.

Participants emphasized the urgent need to **build a shared understanding of key gender concepts**, streamline the collection of gender-disaggregated data, and embed these practices into institutional data systems. As Kenya continues to champion inclusive and evidence-based development, these guidelines will serve as a key resource in supporting data-driven policies that leave no one behind.

The SDGs Kenya Forum remains committed to championing **gender-responsive data ecosystems** and strengthening partnerships that promote the equitable use of statistics in decision-making

Advancing Our Data and Research Pillar: Civil Society Unites to Unlock the Power of Shared Data

One of the core pillars of the **SDGs Kenya Forum** is **Data and Research** — a commitment to strengthening evidence-based decision-making, policy engagement, and accountability across the sustainable development agenda. In line with this vision, the Forum, in partnership with the **Open Institute**, convened a high-level **Data Commons Initiative Breakfast Meeting**, bringing together a dynamic mix of civil society organizations (CSOs) to explore the possibility of launching an **Open CSO Data Commons Platform**.



This platform is envisioned as a **centralized, secure, and collaboratively governed space** that allows CSOs to share **non-sensitive development data**, co-create knowledge, and amplify their collective voice through data-informed advocacy and programming.

The goal is simple yet transformative: **unlock the power of shared data to drive impact, innovation, and inclusivity**





Why the Open CSO Data Commons Platform?

- **Enhance Collective Impact:** By pooling data across organizations, CSOs can uncover cross-cutting trends, close information gaps, and design more targeted, efficient, and context-responsive interventions.
- **Strengthen Advocacy:** A unified data platform empowers CSOs with credible, real-time evidence that can strengthen their policy influence, public messaging, and collaborative campaigns.
- **Optimize Resources:** Avoiding duplication in data collection helps channel time and funding toward scaling up proven solutions and piloting innovations.
- **Promote Transparency and Accountability:** The Commons fosters openness and builds public trust, allowing CSOs to demonstrate transparency and shared responsibility in their work.

During the convening, CSO leaders voiced their support for this timely initiative and mapped out preliminary next steps. These included co-creating data governance frameworks, defining ethical data-sharing protocols, and initiating test contributions.



Data Commons will not only **strengthen sector coordination** but also **boost civil society's ability to track progress on the SDGs**, drive inclusive development, and make data work **for people, planet, and partnerships**.

As the custodians of this initiative, **SDGs Kenya Forum** will continue to champion inclusive stakeholder engagement and ensure the platform is built on the values of equity, innovation, and trust.

“When we share data, we multiply our power to create change.”



META Dialogue Series: Advancing Human-Centred Digitalisation in Kenya

As part of the ongoing efforts to promote inclusive development and ensure that digital transformation works for everyone, the SDGs Kenya Forum actively participated in a **structured follow-up dialogue under the Meaningful Engagement, Transformative Action (META) Initiative**. The convening brought together representatives from the **European Union (EU) Delegation to Kenya**, the **Inclusive Dialogue Mechanism (IDM) for Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)**, and the **Youth Sounding Board** in a collaborative engagement focused on the **Global Gateway Investment Package – Human-Centred Digitalisation (Phase II)**.

Building on previous dialogues held in **November and December 2024**, this session served as a **critical reflection point** for all stakeholders involved. Youth and CSO representatives presented consolidated feedback and key recommendations that had emerged from prior consultations. These included calls for:

- **Greater accessibility and inclusivity** in digital transformation strategies
- **Data privacy and protection mechanisms** tailored for vulnerable populations
- **Improved digital infrastructure and connectivity**, especially in underserved regions
- **Increased digital literacy and capacity building** for marginalized groups, especially women and youth.

In response, the **EU Delegation shared updates** on the progress of the Human-Centred Digitalisation programme and provided insights

into how stakeholder feedback was integrated into the programme's evolving **Action Document**. Notably, the EU acknowledged specific recommendations that had already influenced programmatic adjustments, signaling a growing commitment to co-creation, responsiveness, and mutual accountability.

This structured dialogue reaffirmed the EU's dedication to a **partnership-based approach** to digital transformation — one that is **inclusive, rights-based, and anchored in local realities**. It also marked a key milestone in the journey toward **bridging the digital divide** and ensuring that Kenya's digital future leaves no one behind.

As the META series continues, the Forum remains committed to amplifying community voices, fostering accountability, and championing **youth and CSO inclusion in digital policy spaces**.

Championing Inclusive Green Trade: Joint Virtual Dialogue with the EU Delegation, CSOs, and the Youth Sounding Board

In a continued effort to advance inclusive climate action and sustainable economic development, the SDGs Kenya Forum co-organized and participated in a high-level **Joint Virtual Dialogue on Green Trade in Kenya**. The convening brought together the **European Union Delegation to Kenya**, members of the **Youth Sounding Board**, and a diverse representation of **civil society organizations (CSOs)** across the country.

The dialogue provided an essential platform to discuss the **European Union's strategic support to Kenya's green transition**, particularly within the context of promoting environmentally sustainable, inclusive, and climate-resilient trade systems. Representatives from the EU Delegation highlighted **key priorities under the EU-Kenya Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA)** and the **Global Gateway framework**, underscoring a commitment to working alongside local actors in transforming Kenya's economy into one that is greener, fairer, and future-ready.

A central part of the conversation focused on two flagship EU initiatives:



Greening Kenya's horticulture value chain, aimed at increasing the competitiveness and sustainability of one of Kenya's most vital export sectors.



Building a green and resilient electricity system, to promote access to clean energy and reduce the country's dependency on carbon-intensive sources.

Beyond technical and policy updates, the dialogue created space for **critical reflections from civil society and youth leaders**. Participants raised concerns over **systemic barriers that continue to marginalize vulnerable communities**, including limited access to financing, lack of representation in policy dialogues, and gaps in digital infrastructure that hinder participation in emerging green markets.

The session concluded with a **robust set of cross-cutting recommendations**, which called for:

- Intentional inclusion of youth, women, and grassroots voices in decision-making processes
- Equitable resource allocation for community-led green innovations
- Stronger public-private partnerships to enhance the reach and impact of green trade policies
- Strengthened monitoring mechanisms to ensure transparency and accountability in implementation

This dialogue marked an important step in building **mutual understanding and coordinated action** between development partners, CSOs, and youth leaders — all vital actors in Kenya's green

future. The SDGs Kenya Forum remains committed to supporting platforms that amplify stakeholder voices and accelerate a **just and inclusive green transition** in Kenya.

EU Youth Sounding Board Strengthens Engagement

In a powerful display of youth-led action and collaboration, the **Youth Sounding Board (YSB)** convened its second meeting of the year, bringing together vibrant young leaders from across the country. The three-day engagement served as a platform to refine their ongoing research efforts and deepen their influence on national and international discourse.

Key research areas under review included:

- **Challenges and Opportunities for Youth in Kenya's Green Transition**
- **Fostering Civic Engagement and Participation**
- **Understanding Predictors of Youth Involvement in Electoral Processes**
- **Youth Perspectives on the Role and Impact of the European Union Mission in Kenya**

These youth-led studies reflect the Board's commitment to shaping inclusive, evidence-based approaches to development and governance in Kenya. The convening also featured rich **peer-to-peer learning exchanges** on youth policy advocacy and influence, equipping members with tools to amplify their voices in decision-making spaces.

Participants benefited from a series of **capacity-building workshops** that focused on key themes such as **climate justice, peacebuilding, and crime prevention**—crucial issues impacting young people across Kenya.

A major highlight of the meeting was an interactive **learning dialogue with Heads of Cooperation from EU Member States**, culminating in a high-level engagement with the **EU Ambassador to Kenya**. This offered youth participants a unique opportunity to share insights, present research findings, and explore opportunities for collaboration on youth development and green transition priorities.

The Youth Sounding Board continues to champion meaningful youth participation and contribute to policy conversations that directly impact the future of Kenya and beyond.

Reigniting Multisectoral Synergy: Inter-Agency Technical Working Committee Breakfast Meeting on SDGs

As part of its ongoing commitment to deepen collaboration and fast-track the implementation of the 2030 Agenda, the Inter-Agency Technical Working Committee (IATWC) on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) convened a high-level breakfast meeting that brought together stakeholders from across government, civil society, the private sector, and development partners. The gathering served as a pivotal moment to reenergize partnerships and renew shared commitments to achieving the SDGs in Kenya.

The breakfast meeting provided a unique platform to **welcome and appraise the newly appointed Permanent Secretary for the State Department for Economic Planning** on the critical mandate and structure of the IATWC. The session underscored the significance of a whole-of-society and whole-of-government approach in advancing the SDGs, especially as the country accelerates progress midway through the implementation timeline.



Key objectives of the convening were to:

- Reinforce cooperation and collective ownership of SDG priorities across sectors.
- Explore opportunities for new and enhanced partnerships within the Committee's network.
- Brainstorm on bold, innovative approaches that can help Kenya close existing implementation gaps and increase impact at both national and county levels.

Through lively discussion and forward-looking exchanges, participants reaffirmed their shared vision and aligned themselves on a series of priority actions to be undertaken before the end of the year.

These include:

- ✓ Reviewing and activating the SDGs Acceleration Framework to guide fast-tracked interventions.
- ✓ Establishing **county-level SDG data hubs** to decentralize tracking and reporting and improve subnational data access.
- ✓ Hosting the **Annual National SDGs Multi-Stakeholder Conference**, a flagship convening for inclusive dialogue, learning, and accountability.
- ✓ Launching and operationalizing an **interactive SDGs tracking portal**, designed to strengthen transparency, data sharing, and real-time monitoring of progress across all goals.

This meeting highlighted the growing momentum among stakeholders to move from talk to action, from plans to performance. As we move deeper into the Decade of Action, the IATWC stands ready to continue leading from the front—championing **evidence-based, inclusive, and results-driven** implementation of the SDGs across the country.



County-Level Progress Update: Advancing Gender Data and Evidence-Based Policy in Homa Bay

As part of our commitment to strengthening data ecosystems at the county level, the **SDGs Kenya Forum**, in collaboration with key partners, continues to support the **development of a National Gender Indicators Framework**. This framework is instrumental in ensuring standardized, reliable, and gender-responsive data collection and analysis to inform policy and programming at both national and devolved levels. In line with this, the Forum recently co-convened a **county-level consultative meeting in Homa Bay County**, aimed at enhancing the capacity of local stakeholders to utilize statistical tools such as the **County Statistical Abstract (CSA)**. These tools are essential in driving informed decision-making, resource allocation, and monitoring of county development priorities, particularly from a gender perspective.

During the session, participants reviewed and finalized the Homa Bay County CSA, aligning it with the standardized format provided by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS), covering five key domains: **Demographic and Social Statistics, Economic Statistics, Environment and Multi-domain Statistics, Governance, and Innovation and Technology**. A key takeaway from the workshop was the need to expand beyond output-level indicators and incorporate more **outcome-driven gender indicators**—such as gender parity in schools, youth involvement in governance, healthcare access ratios, and disability disaggregation by sex.

Furthermore, the Forum supported the **development of a Gender Analytical Report** based on the finalized CSA. This critical policy document links statistical insights with county planning tools like the **County Integrated Development Plan (CIDP)** and aligns with the Governor's 10-point development agenda. The analytical report not only tracks progress across flagship initiatives, but also flags data gaps, outlines key policy recommendations, and proposes gender-responsive interventions to strengthen development outcomes across the county.

Regional Advocacy in Action: Advancing the 2030 Agenda Across Borders

At the heart of the SDGs Kenya Forum's mission is our commitment to **National, Regional, and Global Advocacy**. This strategic pillar reflects our dedication to ensuring that civil society voices — especially those of women, youth, and marginalized groups — are heard, amplified, and integrated into development conversations at every level. In **Quarter Two of 2025**, the Forum proudly extended its regional reach by actively participating in and shaping continental dialogues on the implementation of the SDGs and Africa's Agenda 2063. photo

Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD 11) – Kampala, Uganda

In line with our advocacy mandate, the SDGs Kenya Forum participated in the **11th Session of the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD)**, hosted in **Kampala, Uganda**, under the theme: **“Driving Job Creation and Economic Growth through Sustainable, Inclusive, Science-and Evidence-Based Solutions for the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063.”**

The Forum co-convened a strategic **side event** on **“Strengthening Means of Implementation: A Dialogue and Peer Learning Session for National Non-State Coordination Mechanisms.”**

This side event created a space for national-level civil society platforms across Africa to reflect on their institutional arrangements, share peer learning experiences, and explore opportunities for cross-country collaboration to advance the SDGs. Discussions also highlighted the importance of adequate resourcing, capacity building, and inclusive policy spaces that enable CSOs, youth, and marginalized groups to meaningfully participate in development planning and accountability mechanisms.

The engagement further positioned the SDGs Kenya Forum as a thought leader in facilitating **multi-stakeholder coordination mechanisms** and emphasized our role in fostering regional solidarity and mutual learning among African civil society actors

Post-ARFSD Reflections: Building a Common Agenda for HLPF 2025

To carry forward the momentum from ARFSD 11, the SDGs Kenya Forum convened a **Post-ARFSD 2025 virtual dialogue** titled: **“What Next After ARFSD? Reflections and Pathways Towards HLPF 2025.”**

Let's talk about Post AFRSD!

This interactive virtual engagement will serve as a platform to reflect on the key outcomes of ARFSD 2025 and align continental perspectives with preparations for HLPF 2025.

Wednesday, 30th April 2025
AT 03.00 PM - 4.00 PM (EAT)

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The webinar brought together voices from across the African continent to reflect on regional priorities and strategize on engagement ahead of the **United Nations High-Level Political Forum (HLPF)** scheduled for July 2025.

Participants unpacked lessons from ARFSD, shared national experiences, and outlined advocacy pathways for civil society — particularly youth, women-led groups, and grassroots organizations. Key themes discussed included meaningful inclusion, financing for development, and ensuring that African civil society messages are unified and clearly articulated at the global level.

Shaping the HLPF 2025 Civil Society Agenda

As a direct output of these engagements, the SDGs Kenya Forum is working with civil society organizations across Africa to **develop a unified CSOs Position Paper**. This document will consolidate regional reflections and recommendations on the SDGs and will be formally presented at the upcoming **HLPF in July 2025**. The position paper will serve as a cornerstone of African civil society engagement at the global level—anchored in lived realities, intersectional insights, and collective regional advocacy

Wider Dissemination and Visibility

To amplify the voices and experiences from the Forum, we finalized and widely shared the **ARFSD 2025 Highlights Newsletter** across our digital channels, mailing list, and website. This special edition newsletter offered a curated overview of the Forum's strategic engagements at ARFSD 2025. It featured key moments, emerging priorities, and rich insights from civil society actors, government representatives, and regional stakeholders. The content spotlighted **SDGs Kenya Forum's**

leadership in co-hosting a high-level side event on strengthening means of implementation through coordinated national non-state actor mechanisms, alongside reflections from the **post-ARFSD webinar** that mapped pathways toward the HLPF 2025.

As we build momentum toward the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF), this newsletter stands as a testament to the power of collaboration, storytelling, and strategic advocacy in shaping Africa's sustainable development agenda.

Strengthening Collective Action: Goal Group Meetings on SDGs 3, 6 & 8

As a vibrant membership-based coalition, the SDGs Kenya Forum continues to prioritize **collective advocacy, peer learning, and cross-sectoral collaboration** among Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) working toward the 2030 Agenda. In line with this commitment, the Forum convened a strategic **Goal Group Meeting** bringing together members advancing progress on **SDG 3 (Good Health and Well-being), SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), and SDG 8 (Decent Work and Economic Growth)**.

The purpose of the meeting was multifaceted: members were updated on programmatic progress and milestones achieved during the first half of 2024, and had an opportunity to reflect on emerging trends, challenges, and opportunities. Importantly, the gathering served as a launchpad for **drafting the 2025 CSO Position Paper on the SDGs**, enabling members to begin shaping joint policy messages and priorities for upcoming national, regional, and global advocacy spaces, including the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF).



Participants also engaged in **interactive breakout sessions** designed to spark collaboration, generate actionable insights, and develop **joint fundraising and advocacy strategies**. Key outcomes from the meeting included:

- Agreement on co-developing joint fundraising proposals;
- Drafting a shared activity calendar for 2025;
- Identifying areas of overlap to promote resource-sharing and avoid duplication;
- Crafting plans for collaborative events and campaigns to maximize visibility and impact.

At its core, the Forum exists to create value for its members by fostering a space where **learning, collaboration, and strategic alignment thrive**. We appreciate the continued dedication of our members and reaffirm our commitment to amplifying your voices, strengthening partnerships, and catalyzing progress across all SDGs.

Partner Engagements:

Civil Society in Action: Contributing to the Development of Kenya's Second Statistics Strategy (KSDS II)

In a significant stride toward enhancing Kenya's data ecosystem, the SDGs Kenya Forum actively participated in the **validation of the final draft of the Second Kenya Strategy for the Development of Statistics (KSDS II)**—a milestone initiative led by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) in collaboration with multi-sectoral stakeholders.

The KSDS II serves as a national blueprint for strengthening the production, coordination, dissemination, and use of official and non-official statistics within the National Statistical System (NSS). The strategy is pivotal in enabling Kenya to meet its development objectives, including Vision 2030, the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

Speaking during the validation meeting, the Executive Director of SDGs Kenya Forum lauded **KNBS for opening up the NSS space** to civil society and other non-state actors. She underscored the indispensable role CSOs play in **producing citizen-generated data (CGD)** and advancing accountability, inclusivity, and evidence-based programming. She affirmed that “data and statistics are a goldmine for sustainable development,” noting that civil society organizations, under the Forum's leadership, have consistently contributed to **Voluntary National Reviews (VNRs)** and the broader SDGs monitoring framework.

The Forum emphasized the importance of progressively improving the **SDGs Indicator Framework** and welcomed the inclusion of **annexes on Citizen-Generated Data and Gender Statistics Guidelines** in the KSDS II. Through these annexes, CSOs are empowered with structured methodologies and tools to produce credible data that responds to national priorities and fills existing data gaps—especially in traditionally underreported areas like gender equality and community-based development outcomes.

As co-chairs of the CSO reference group on the SDGs, the SDGs Kenya Forum is mobilizing its membership to adopt the CGD framework and align their data initiatives with national strategies. This inclusive and participatory approach ensures that **no one is left behind** in Kenya's data revolution.

Advancing Gender Equality in Land Rights: GESI Training for Inclusive Land Governance

As part of our ongoing commitment to **equity, inclusion, and sustainable development**, the SDGs Kenya Forum participated in the **Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) Training** held in partnership with **Landesa** and the **Kenya Land Alliance**. This critical convening was part of the broader efforts by the **Ardhi Caucus** to advance **land tenure security in Kenya**, particularly for women and other historically marginalized groups.

Research consistently shows that when women have secure rights to land, the benefits extend beyond the household. Women gain a stronger voice in decision-making, a greater sense of belonging, and the ability to influence community development. Moreover, secure land rights for women lead to tangible improvements in nutrition, education, and health outcomes for children and families.

Despite these known benefits and progressive legal frameworks, including the **Constitution of Kenya 2010** and related land laws that advocate for gender equality, women's access to and control over land remains limited. In many regions, **customary practices still dominate**, often restricting women to access land only through male relatives, undermining the spirit of the law and perpetuating systemic inequality.

It is within this context that the **GESI training was convened**, with the objective of strengthening the integration of gender equality and social inclusion into land governance systems and programming. The session aimed to:

- Build a shared understanding of **Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI)** among stakeholders;
- Highlight the significance of GESI in fostering **equitable and sustainable land governance**;
- Promote the **mainstreaming of GESI principles** across land programs, policies, and advocacy platforms.

The training brought together participants from civil society, legal institutions, government, and land rights networks, and fostered robust dialogue on **bridging the gap between legal provisions and practical implementation**. Through participatory exercises and real-world case studies, the session also explored practical tools and strategies for embedding GESI in land-related programming.

As a forum committed to **leaving no one behind**, we are proud to have contributed to these important conversations and remain dedicated to championing **inclusive land rights as a cornerstone of sustainable development**.

Advancing Evidence-Informed Decision-Making in the WASH Sector: Stakeholders Chart a Data-Driven Path

As part of ongoing efforts to strengthen the use of data in policy formulation and service delivery, the SDGs Kenya Forum participated in the **Technical Working Group (TWG) Workshop on Evidence-Informed Decision-Making for the Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) Sector**, held on **22nd–23rd April 2025**.

The two-day workshop brought together a diverse group of stakeholders, including **County Government representatives, civil society organizations, development partners**, and sector experts, to collectively explore how **robust data systems** can drive more equitable, effective, and accountable decision-making in Kenya's WASH sector.

A key theme throughout the workshop was the **urgent need to address data fragmentation and inconsistencies** that hinder planning, implementation, and monitoring of WASH initiatives at both national and sub-national levels. Participants highlighted the importance of **data interoperability**, emphasizing the value of systems that can talk to each other, share insights, and promote a more holistic understanding of WASH challenges and opportunities.

The TWG sessions featured dynamic panel discussions and practical breakout groups focused on:

- **Fostering inter-agency collaboration** in data generation, standardization, and sharing;
- **Harnessing citizen-generated data** and big data technologies to improve responsiveness and localization of WASH interventions;
- **Identifying existing data gaps** and challenges in aligning data with national development plans and SDG 6 indicators;
- **Highlighting innovations** in real-time monitoring and community-level reporting to improve accountability.

Stakeholders also deliberated on how to **leverage existing platforms and capacities** within both the government and civil society to build an ecosystem where data informs every stage of the WASH policy cycle — from planning to implementation to evaluation.

As a convener of civil society voices, the SDGs Kenya Forum reaffirmed its commitment to supporting **inclusive, data-driven solutions** in the water sector that uphold the principles of transparency, equity, and sustainability. Strengthening WASH outcomes through data is not just a technical imperative — it is a developmental necessity, especially for the most underserved communities.

Strengthening Policy Influence Through Research: CHOICE Project Think Tank Quarterly Convening

As part of ongoing efforts to contribute to evidence-based policymaking, the SDGs Kenya Forum participated in the **Quarterly In-Person Meeting of the CHOICE Project Think Tank**, held at **Aga Khan University's Center**

The Think Tank, a multi-stakeholder initiative comprising researchers, policy advocates, and development practitioners, plays a strategic role in **supporting Kenya's progress toward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)** through thought leadership, collaborative research, and policy advocacy.

The objectives of this quarterly meeting were fourfold:

- **Assess the progress** of thematic working groups in drafting policy briefs and research manuscripts;
- **Review the status and challenges** in achieving the SDGs in Kenya, as informed by ongoing research;
- **Strategically plan for the future** of the Think Tank, with an emphasis on sustainability and enhancing its contribution to SDG implementation;
- **Plan the upcoming dissemination workshop**, scheduled for **September 1st, 2025**, which will showcase key findings and engage broader stakeholders.

During the meeting, participants shared updates on the progress of manuscript development, with discussions focusing on the availability and reliability of data, thematic coherence, and addressing key gaps in SDG reporting. Challenges such as limited disaggregated data, insufficient institutional support for cross-sector collaboration, and resource constraints were highlighted as barriers to timely progress.

Deliberations also explored how the Think Tank can position itself as a **long-term, strategic advisory body** that contributes to shaping national

policy priorities through timely and credible knowledge products. Members agreed on a structured roadmap to guide finalization of policy outputs and identified key stakeholders — including government agencies, development partners, and civil society actors — to be invited to the **September dissemination workshop**. Think Tank members will serve as group leads during this session, facilitating interactive dialogues around their thematic areas.

The SDGs Kenya Forum remains committed to fostering **research-policy linkages** that ensure data, evidence, and lived experiences inform decision-making and accelerate SDG progress for all.

Tracking Kenya's Economic Outlook: Insights from the Launch of the Economic Survey Report 2025

The SDGs Kenya Forum was honored to attend the **official launch of the Economic Survey Report 2025**, hosted by the **Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)**. The annual report is a critical tool for evaluating Kenya's socio-economic progress and informing planning and investment decisions across all sectors. The event brought together stakeholders from government, private sector, civil society, and academia to review the country's economic performance and reflect on forward-looking strategies for inclusive growth.

The 2025 report paints a cautiously optimistic picture of Kenya's economic trajectory, citing **stable macroeconomic growth**, and outlining **key sectoral priorities** aimed at enhancing resilience and sustainability. Among the highlights was a projected advancement in the **agriculture sector**, underpinned by targeted investments to modernize and transform agricultural productivity. Special attention was given to **diversifying the economy**, fostering innovation, and incentivizing key industries through policy and regulatory reforms.

Of particular interest were proposed incentives in the **services and finance sectors**, with the 2025 Finance Bill expected to support increased private sector investment. However, the report also identified a critical challenge: **limited access to affordable credit for the private sector**, which continues to hinder growth and innovation. While government borrowing rates have significantly reduced, efforts must now focus on creating a macroeconomic environment conducive to lending, enterprise development, and job creation.

Key areas of emphasis include **agricultural transformation, healthcare system strengthening, digital superhighway expansion**, and enhanced support for **Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs)** — all of which are instrumental in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

In terms of civic engagement, the report emphasized the importance of public participation in **national budget discussions**, which will be facilitated through a variety of media platforms. It also highlighted the value of **data literacy and public access to statistics**, reaffirming KNBS' commitment to scaling up the uptake of **citizen-generated data, budget information**, and open access to official data resources.

To further institutionalize data-driven planning and uphold quality standards, KNBS announced plans to scale its **Data Science Labs** — a move that will strengthen national capacity for analytics, forecasting, and evidence-informed decision-making.

The SDGs Kenya Forum continues to champion **data use, transparency, and civic participation** as key enablers for development. We will be actively engaging our membership and partners in unpacking the implications of this report, particularly around financing for development, youth and women economic empowerment, and the alignment of national priorities with SDG targets.



Driving Policy, Inclusion, and Sustainability through Collaborative Engagements

As part of its commitment to strengthening multi-stakeholder partnerships, influencing policy, and fostering inclusive development, the SDGs Kenya Forum actively participated in several high-level platforms and technical workshops this quarter. These engagements deepened cross-sector collaboration, advanced shared advocacy goals, and promoted evidence-based approaches to implementation of the SDGs.

Community Workshop on Sustainability: Unlocking Business for Green Growth

The SDGs Kenya Forum was honored to participate in the Community Workshop on Sustainability, convened by the University of Nairobi in collaboration with the Africa Centre of Excellence on Sustainable Operations for Resource Management and Food Supply. This timely gathering brought together a rich mix of participants from academia, the public sector, private enterprises, and civil society to explore tangible ways of embedding sustainability across Kenya's business landscape.

The workshop served as a critical platform to showcase innovative practices already transforming operations within various sectors. From green product design to climate-smart agricultural practices and resource-efficient supply chains, participants engaged in lively discussions on how businesses can lead Kenya's transition toward a low-carbon, inclusive, and resilient economy.

Throughout the sessions, participants explored current trends, challenges, and adaptive strategies essential to promoting long-term sustainability. A key focus of the event was aligning private sector action with Kenya's broader development priorities,

including environmental stewardship, job creation, and community empowerment.

The event featured a vibrant mix of keynote presentations, interactive exhibitions, and networking sessions. These engagements offered stakeholders practical insights into how sustainability can be integrated into daily operations and strategic planning—ensuring that economic growth is not only profitable but also inclusive and environmentally responsible.

Importantly, the workshop fostered new partnerships and opened doors for collaboration across sectors. The Forum remains committed to supporting such multi-stakeholder platforms that amplify market-driven solutions for climate resilience and inclusive development, in line with our goal of promoting sustainable business models and enabling transformative change at all levels.

Progressive Migration Group (PMG) Nairobi Consultations: A Call for Equitable Migration Policy

As global conversations around migration become increasingly complex, the Forum joined regional and international partners for the 2025 Nairobi Consultations hosted by the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES). This high-level dialogue focused on shaping a people-centered migration partnership between the European Union and Africa. Discussions emphasized the urgent need for policies that uphold human rights, prioritize regional integration, and reflect the aspirations of communities on both continents. Experts and civil society leaders reflected on challenges posed by return and readmission policies, the fragmentation of multilateral governance, and the growing use of conditionality in migration negotiations. The meeting also offered an opportunity to refine

the Progressive Migration Group’s strategic vision and advocacy agenda for the year ahead. The Forum echoed the call for balanced cooperation that is grounded in justice, solidarity, and sustainable development.

Land Sector Multi-Stakeholder Strategy Meeting: Coordinating for Justice and Climate Action

On the national front, the Forum joined stakeholders from the land sector in a multi-stakeholder strategy meeting convened by Landesa in partnership with the Kenya Land Alliance. The session brought together key actors under the Ardhi Caucus, whose thematic focus areas include securing communal land rights, ensuring tenure security for smallholder farmers, promoting access to land justice, advancing women’s land rights, and aligning land governance with climate adaptation efforts. The meeting provided a collaborative space to share updates on land policy reforms, map out key activities for 2025, and enhance coordination between state and non-state actors. Through this engagement, the Forum reaffirmed its dedication to land justice, particularly for women, youth, and persons with disabilities

Inclusive Data Training: Making Inclusion the Norm

In line with our strategic focus on data and evidence for development, the Forum participated in a practical training titled “Making Inclusive Data the Norm,” co-organized by the Open Institute and the Global Partnership for Sustainable Development Data (GPSDD). The session brought together stakeholders from the State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action, UN Women, and other agencies committed to promoting disaggregated and inclusive data. The training

emphasized the importance of embedding intersectionality into data collection and usage, ensuring that no one is left behind in development planning and accountability processes. Participants gained insights into best practices for collecting, analyzing, and leveraging inclusive data to inform gender-responsive and equitable policy interventions.

Each of these engagements affirms the Forum's role as a trusted convener, advocate, and catalyst for sustainable development in Kenya and beyond. From championing climate-smart business solutions to influencing migration policy, strengthening land governance, and building inclusive data systems, our work continues to demonstrate that collective action and evidence-based dialogue remain critical to achieving the SDGs.

Connecting Counties and Continents: Accelerating the SDGs Through Strategic Partnerships

Strengthening County Partnerships for SDG Localization: Courtesy Call to Machakos Governor

In line with its commitment to advancing the localization of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), the SDGs Kenya Forum, led by Executive Director **Florence Syevuo** and Chairperson **George Awalla**, paid a high-level courtesy visit to **Governor Hon. Wavinya Ndeti** of Machakos County.

This strategic engagement marks a significant step toward deepening collaboration between civil society and county governments to accelerate progress on sustainable development at the grassroots level. The meeting provided a platform to explore key areas of alignment, including the establishment of a **County SDGs Desk** to enhance coordination, monitoring, and implementation of SDG-related programs across sectors.

Discussions also emphasized the importance of **strengthening multi-stakeholder partnerships**, bridging efforts between government institutions, civil society actors, and local communities. Both teams affirmed their shared vision of ensuring that development is **inclusive, participatory, and community-driven**—anchored in local realities and tailored to address emerging challenges.

Importantly, the Forum underscored the need to align SDG implementation efforts with **Machakos County's strategic development priorities**, ensuring that no one is left behind. Governor Wavinya Ndeti expressed her commitment to building collaborative, data-informed, and resilient systems to serve the people of Machakos more effectively.





As we count down to 2030, the SDGs Kenya Forum is proud to work with progressive counties like Machakos to turn global goals into **local action**. Together, we can co-create transformative solutions that empower communities and shape a more equitable and sustainable future for all.

Global Advocacy Spotlight: SDGs Kenya Forum at the Hamburg Sustainability Conference 2025

At the global stage, the SDGs Kenya Forum continues to amplify the voice of civil society in shaping just, inclusive, and people-centered sustainable development pathways.

This quarter, our Executive Director, **Florence Syevuo**, proudly represented the Forum at the **Hamburg Sustainability Conference 2025 (HSC25)** in Germany. This high-level gathering convened global change-makers—from ministers and civil society leaders to business innovators and multilateral agencies—to reignite momentum for the **2030 Agenda**, with a sharp focus on Europe's evolving role in a world grappling with overlapping crises.

A central message that resonated throughout the conference was clear:

👉 **Blended finance must evolve.**

There is a pressing need for **structural reform** in financing models—moving beyond profit-centric approaches to frameworks that are **equitable, inclusive, and anchored in human and planetary wellbeing**. Supported by key partners including the **German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ)** and **UNDP**, HSC25 also spotlighted the power of **cross-sectoral collaboration** in addressing poverty, inequality, and climate change.





Visibility in Action: SDGs Kenya Forum Communications & Engagement Highlights

1. Strengthening Civic Space through Strategic Media Engagement

In our continued effort to create public awareness and stimulate dialogue around the implementation of the Public Benefit Organizations

(PBO) Act, the SDGs Kenya Forum coordinated a nationwide media engagement campaign. This included televised appearances on [TV47](#), [NTV Kenya](#), and [KTN News](#), complemented by a video published on our [SDGs Kenya Forum YouTube channel](#). These platforms provided a valuable space to amplify civil society voices, raise public understanding of civic space, and push for the urgent adoption of the PBO regulations.

2. Deepening Dialogue: National Hybrid Stakeholder Meeting on PBO Draft Regulations

In collaboration with our partners, we convened a **three-day hybrid stakeholder meeting** to facilitate CSO review of the draft PBO Regulations. The sessions enabled inclusive engagement and the consolidation of a **joint civil society submission** to guide the next steps of regulation finalization. This hybrid convening strengthened national ownership and unity among CSOs working to safeguard civic space.

3. Accelerating the SDGs: ARFSD 2025 Newsletter Dissemination

Following our participation at the Africa Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD 2025) in Kampala, we finalized and widely disseminated the [ARFSD Highlights Newsletter](#) across our mailing list, website, and social media platforms. The newsletter captured the Forum's contributions at the continental level, including our co-hosted side event on multi-stakeholder coordination, and shared reflections from the **post-ARFSD webinar** on building African momentum toward the 2025 High-Level Political Forum (HLPF).

4. Mobilizing Participation: PBO Public Engagement Campaign

To drive awareness and participation in the county-level PBO Draft Regulations consultations, the Forum rolled out an intensive **digital mobilization campaign**. This included:

- Designing and circulating **county-specific digital posters**
- Weekly updates with **event calendars** and **virtual participation links**
- Real-time **WhatsApp alerts** targeting civil society networks

This campaign ensured that both national and grassroots actors were equipped and informed to meaningfully contribute to the public participation process.

5. Preparing for Global Platforms: HLPF 2025 Information Sessions

As part of our preparation for the **UN High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2025**, the Forum hosted **bi-weekly online info sessions** to guide CSOs on how to effectively engage with this global process. These sessions covered pathways for shaping the Africa regional civil society position, ensuring Kenya's voice is heard in global dialogues on SDG acceleration.

6. Keeping You Informed: Q1 Newsletter Dissemination

In May, the Forum shared its [Quarter 1 Newsletter](#), covering key highlights and milestones achieved from **January to March 2025**. From national dialogues to grassroots actions, the newsletter offered insights into our collective efforts to advance the SDGs in Kenya and beyond.

7. Gender Knowledge Hub Webinar: “Are We Making Progress on SDG 5?”

Under the **Gender Knowledge Hub**, the Forum convened a thought-provoking webinar examining progress toward **SDG 5 – Gender Equality**. The virtual session brought together gender advocates, CSOs, and policymakers to reflect on existing gaps, challenges, and emerging opportunities in driving gender-responsive development. The dialogue emphasized the need for **data-informed gender programming**, stronger coordination, and inclusive policy spaces to accelerate impact.

LOOKING AHEAD:

As we advance into the next quarter, the SDGs Kenya Forum remains steadfast in its mission to amplify civil society voices and drive inclusive, accountable progress on the Sustainable Development Goals. Building on the momentum of Quarter 2, here's what lies ahead:

Active Participation at HLPF 2025

The Forum will continue to engage at the global level by participating in the United Nations High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) 2025. Our delegation will represent the perspectives and priorities of Kenyan civil society, contributing to global dialogues and advocating for transformative policies that leave no one behind.

Finalization and Presentation of the CSOs Position Paper

In collaboration with civil society partners across Kenya and the continent, we are finalizing a consolidated CSOs Position Paper. This document reflects shared priorities and recommendations for accelerating SDG implementation and will formally be submitted during the HLPF.

Thematic SDG Goal Group Side Events

We will convene a series of Goal Group engagements focused on deep-diving into specific SDGs. These platforms will enhance peer learning, strengthen coordination, and amplify joint advocacy on key thematic areas.

Sustained Advocacy on the PBO Act and Civic Space

The Forum will maintain momentum on civic space advocacy by advancing the PBO Act implementation. This includes engaging with stakeholders at national and county levels, driving media visibility, and supporting ongoing public participation forums and awareness campaigns.

Together with our partners and members, we look forward to turning commitments into action and ensuring meaningful, community-centered progress toward 2030.

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