

## GOAL 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

### Goal 16 Proposed Targets<sup>i</sup>:

Goal 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

16.1 significantly reduce all forms of violence and related death rates everywhere

16.2 end abuse, exploitation, trafficking and all forms of violence and torture against children

16.3 promote the rule of law at the national and international levels, and ensure equal access to justice for all

16.4 by 2030 significantly reduce illicit financial and arms flows, strengthen recovery and return of stolen assets, and combat all forms of organized crime

16.5 substantially reduce corruption and bribery in all its forms

16.6 develop effective, accountable and transparent institutions at all levels

16.7 ensure responsive, inclusive, participatory and representative decision-making at all levels

16.8 broaden and strengthen the participation of developing countries in the institutions of global governance



16.9 by 2030 provide legal identity for all including birth registration

16.10 ensure public access to information and protect fundamental freedoms, in accordance with national legislation and international agreements

16.a strengthen relevant national institutions, including through international cooperation, for building capacities at all levels, in particular in developing countries, for preventing violence and combating terrorism and crime

16.b promote and enforce non-discriminatory laws and policies for sustainable development

### The State of Societies around the World:

- 1.5 billion people live in places affected by conflict, violence or high levels of crime.
- The United Nations Development Programme works in 40 countries to re-establish peace and security in the wake of conflict and the breakdown of justice.
- According to the UN Development Programme, no state undergoing “widespread conflict or fragility” has met a single MDG target.
- “You cannot fight poverty and cannot promote sustainable development without the rule of law.”  
–Irene Kahn, Director-General of the International Development Law Organization

<sup>i</sup> United Nations Open Working Group. *Outcome Document – Open Working Group on Sustainable Development Goals*. July 2014.