

BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

TERRITORIAL ORGANIZATION

Brunei Darussalam is a unitary country **without elected local governments**.



Unless otherwise indicated, all the information in this profile is taken from the previously published Voluntary National Review (VNR).¹

1. NATIONAL STRATEGIES FOR SDG IMPLEMENTATION

The 2030 Agenda has been integrated in Brunei Darussalam's national Vision, **Wawasan Brunei 2035**.

1.1 NATIONAL COORDINATION MECHANISMS

A multi-stakeholder **Special Committee for the Implementation** ensures the coordination. It was established in 2016 and includes senior officers from relevant ministries and agencies to facilitate the inclusion of SDGs indicators in Brunei Darussalam's development plans as well as to ensure and monitor the implementation of the SDGs in line with national priorities.

1.2 VNR ELABORATION PROCESS

For its 2020 VNR, Brunei Darussalam established a **Special Committee**, which is co-chaired by the Ministry of Finance and Economy (MOFE) and Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MFA). This Special Committee spearheaded the preparation of the report, reviewing the country's progress towards the achievement of the SDGs. Several workshops were organized for the elaboration of the VNR. The country also attended several workshops organized by the UN and ASEAN.

1.3 MONITORING

No specific references could be found for monitoring strategies but some of the SDGs (1, 3, 10, 11 and 16) have special agencies, international institutions or special mechanisms that help to monitor their advances.

2. LRGs INVOLVEMENT IN SDG LOCALIZATION

No reference.

2.1 LRGs PARTICIPATION

No reference.

2.2 VNR REFERENCES

No reference.

1. See: https://sustainabledevelopment.un.org/content/documents/26410VNR_2020_Brunei_Report.pdf (2020)

2.3 SPECIFIC PROJECTS AND CASES

Not applicable.

2.4 VOLUNTARY SUBNATIONAL AND/OR LOCAL REVIEWS (VSRs / VLRs)

Not applicable.

2.5 MEANS OF IMPLEMENTATION

Brunei Darussalam welcomes and supports the efforts of other stakeholders, such as non-governmental organizations and the private sector, not just towards achieving the SDGs, but also for the development and prosperity of the country. There are many initiatives at the local level, coming from non-governmental actors, for the implementation of some strategies in order to accomplish some SDG-related goals with the local community and mobilizing resources from other countries (see the VNR, 2020, p. 106-108).

3. RELEVANT INFORMATION

General comments: MyActionForSDG: MY World 2030 Advocate in Brunei Darussalam is an awareness campaign that aims to inspire individuals, organizations and the local community to start taking action for the SDGs. It is supported by the UN SDGs Action Campaign, UNDP Bangkok Regional Hub and UN Volunteers Asia-Pacific. The 2020 VNR states that “the campaign aims to create a positive change in society towards the SDGs, through increasing awareness of its importance, localizing and unifying community action supporting SDGs and connecting local supporters with the Global Day of Action”.

3.1 WOMEN PARTICIPATION

The 2020 VNR highlights the national objective of women participation “at all levels”: in the civil service, in the legal, political, and managerial fields, etc. (without always providing policy examples nor figures as proof of progress in this direction).

3.2 COVID 19

The government took various measures, mainly economic, to provide support to businesses and individuals affected by the COVID-19 health crisis.

4. SDG INDICATORS²

5.5.1. (b) Proportion of seats held by women (%) in local governments		-
6.1.1. Proportion of population using safely managed drinking water services (%)	Urban	-
	Rural	-
6.2.1. (a) Proportion of population using safely managed sanitation services (%)	Urban	-
	Rural	-
11.1.1. Proportion of population living in slums, informal settlements or inadequate housing (%)		-
11.6.1. Proportion of municipal solid waste collected and managed (%)		-
11.6.2. Air pollution – annual means of particulate matter in cities (population weighted)		7.5 (2016)
11.b.2. Proportion of local governments that have adopted local disaster risk reduction strategies in line with national strategies (%)		-

2. The data used for this table come from the UN SDG Indicators Database. See: <https://unstats.un.org/sdgs/UNSDG/IndDatabasePage>. More information on the country's progress towards the SDGs here: <https://country-profiles.unstatshub.org/brn>