

# Introduction of the Forum

## Sustainable Development Goals Progress in North and Central Asia and the Way Forward

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# “Reinforcing the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and eradicating poverty in times of multiple crises: The effective delivery of sustainable, resilient and innovative solutions in North and Central Asian countries”

## 7<sup>th</sup> NCA SDG Forum Theme



# NCA countries - Snapshot of the Progress (2022)



## ➤ Average progress in 17 Goals: 13.2%

- 2022 is midpoint for Agenda 2030
- NCA countries cannot achieve the Goals by 2030

## ➤ Champion and area of attention

- Goal 9 (Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure)  
**35% Progress:** Still below 50% at midpoint
- Goal 13 (Climate Action)  
**49% Regress:** Trend must be reversed

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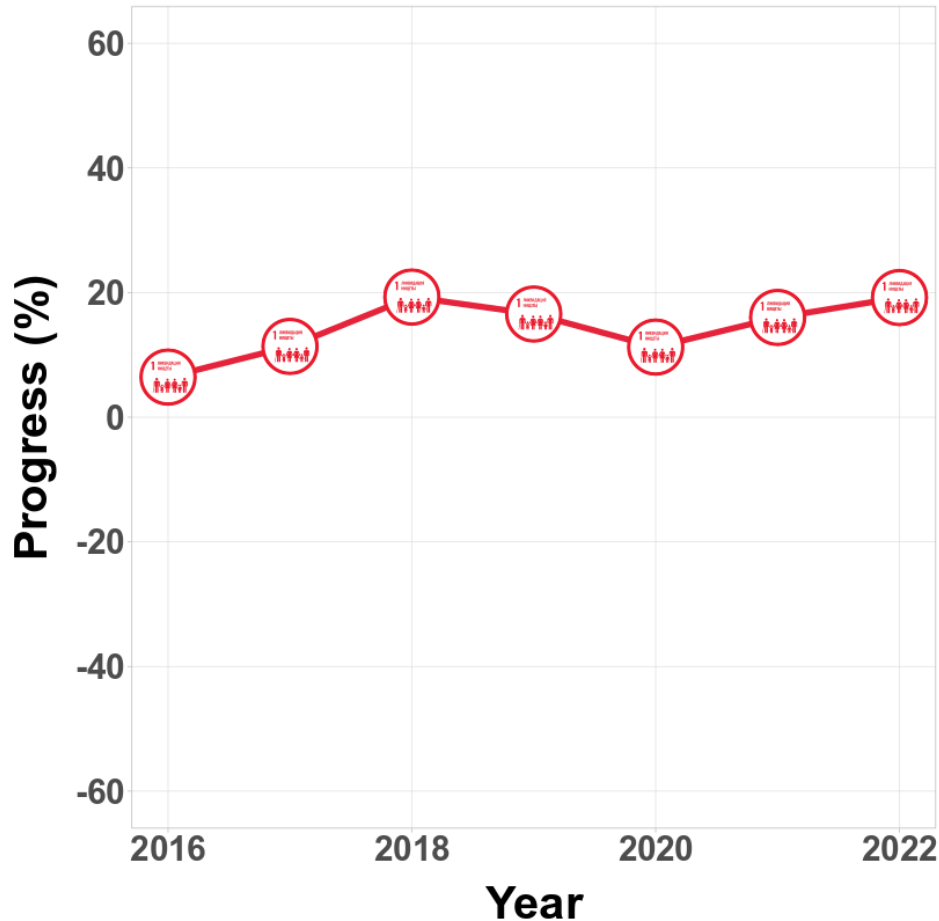
# Diving into the 5 Theme Goals

– Champions and areas of attention –

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## Goal 1: No Poverty

### ➤ Champions



Armenia:

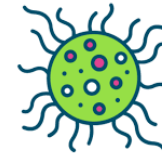
More than 50% reduction of international poverty<sup>1</sup>



Tajikistan:

Improvement in local Disaster Risk reduction strategies, 100% from 2019

### ➤ Areas for attention for some countries



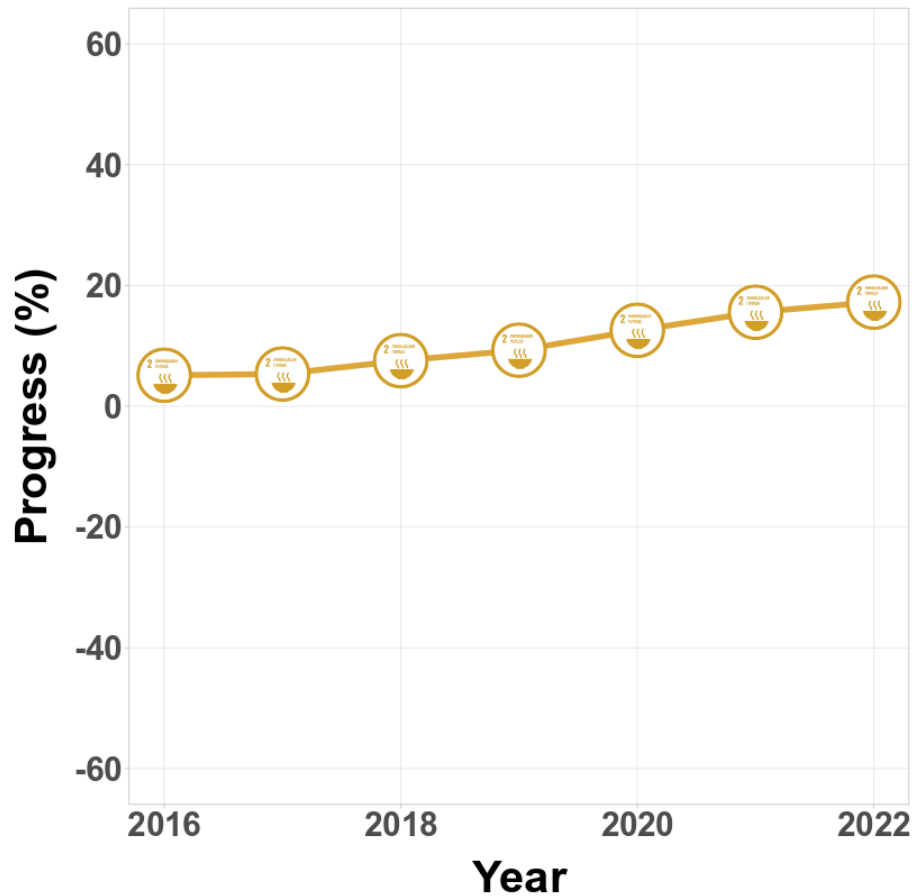
COVID-19 Pandemic

- Reduce still high level of national poverty
- Ensure access to basic water and sanitation services
- Increase coverage of social protection
- Invest further in healthcare and education
- Prepare better for exposure to disasters
- Increase data availability

Source:



## Goal 2: Zero Hunger



### ➤ Champions



Georgia:

Overweight children  
decreased to half of 2015



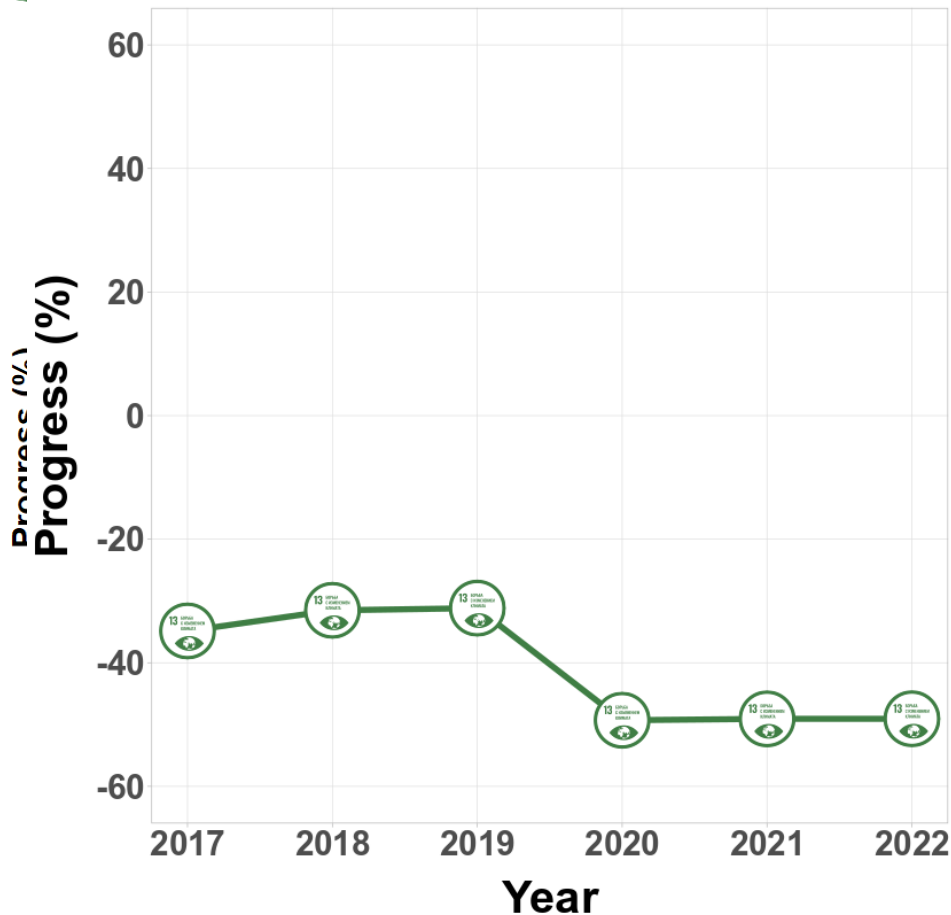
Turkmenistan: Prevalence of undernourishment  
constantly low since 2015

### ➤ Areas for attention for some countries

- Reduce moderate to severe food insecurity
- Prepare for the environment and climate change
- Increase agricultural productivity
- Invest further in agriculture
- Advance gender inequality
- Increase data availability

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# Goal 13: Climate Action



## ➤ Champions



Georgia



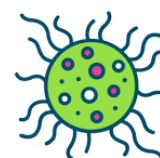
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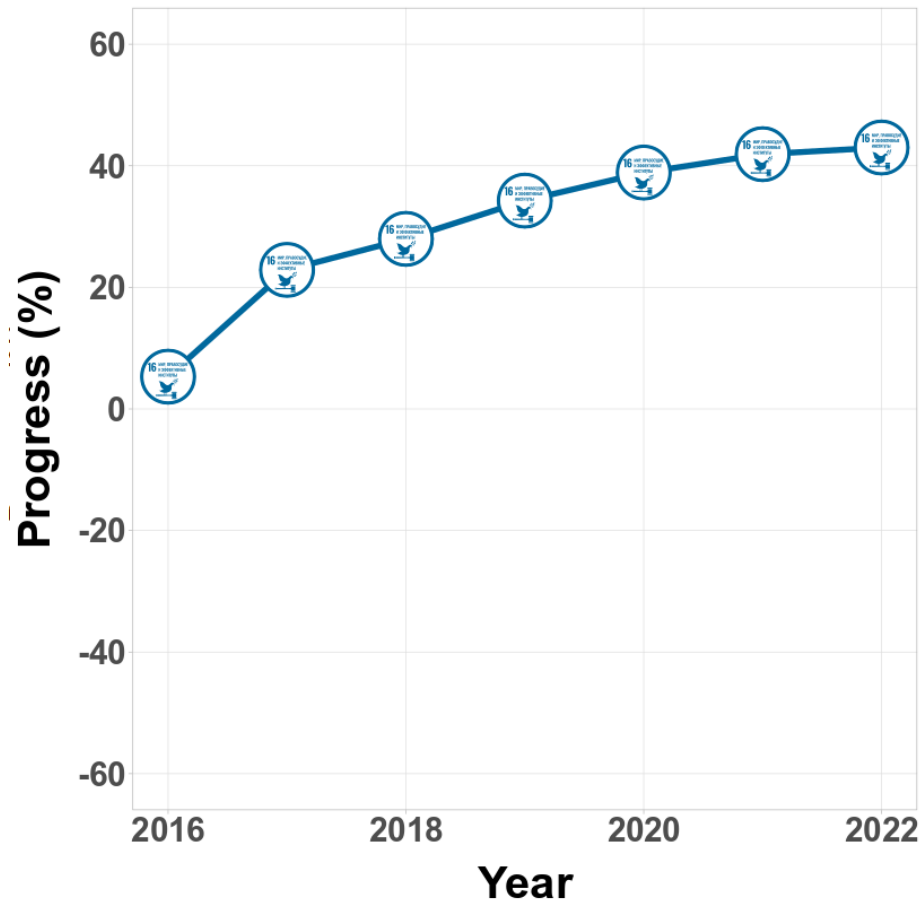
Uzbekistan

(Near) 100% implementation of national Disaster Risk Reduction strategies

## ➤ Areas for attention



- COVID-19 Pandemic
- Continue transition to clean energy
- Building resilience
- Invest further. Encourage private capital mobilization.
- Increase data availability



## ➤ Champions



Russian Federation:

A 40% reduction of victims of intentional homicide (2015 – 2021)



Uzbekistan:

An 87% reduction in total victim of human trafficking

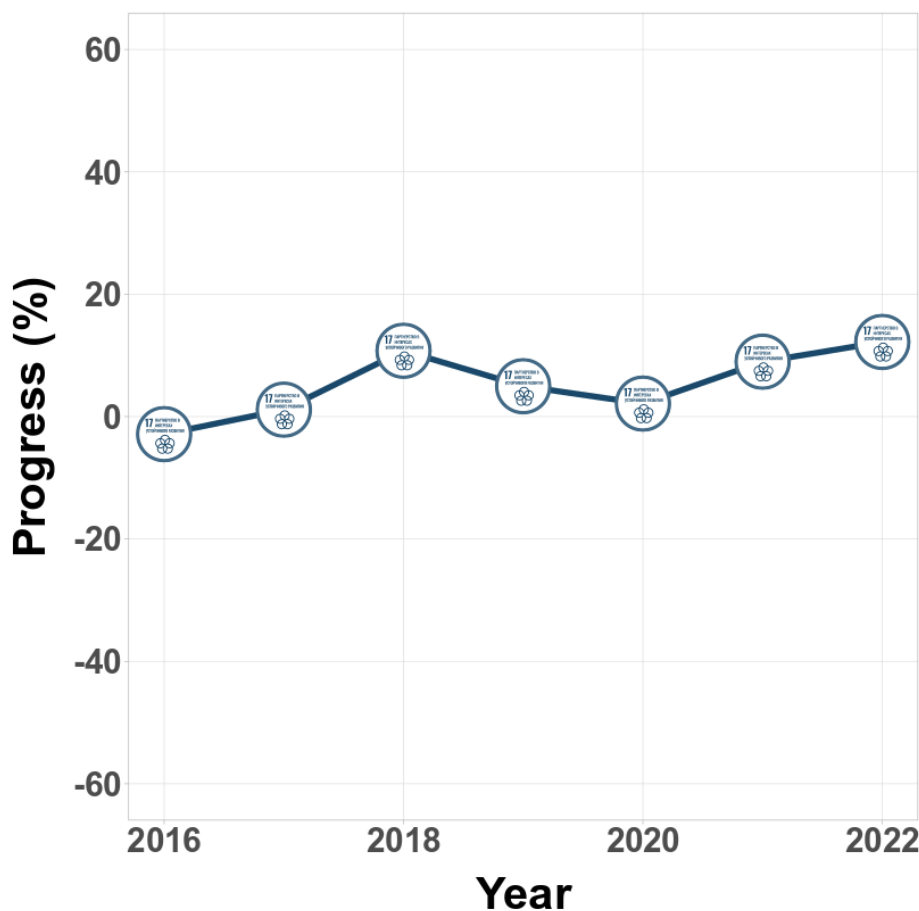
## ➤ Areas for attention

- Increase data availability
- Ensure transparency within the public sector, to reduce chances of corruption and bribery
- Increase the participation of young people in decision-making and their access to information
- End violence against women and girls
- Reduce illicit financial flows
- Further promote digital tools to optimize management, service delivery.

Source:



# Goal 17: Partnership for the Goals



## ➤ Champions



Kazakhstan:

Public-private partnership for infrastructure increased 0 (2015) → USD 850 M (2020)



Georgia



Uzbekistan

Increasing trend in resources to strengthen statistical capacity (Effort on data gap elimination)

## ➤ Area of attention

Decreasing trend of Foreign Direct Investment except Armenia, Russian Federation and Uzbekistan

Source:



# Other aspects for considerations

- Science, Technology & Innovation
- Data collection and usage for evidence-based policymaking
- Multi-stakeholder partnerships





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