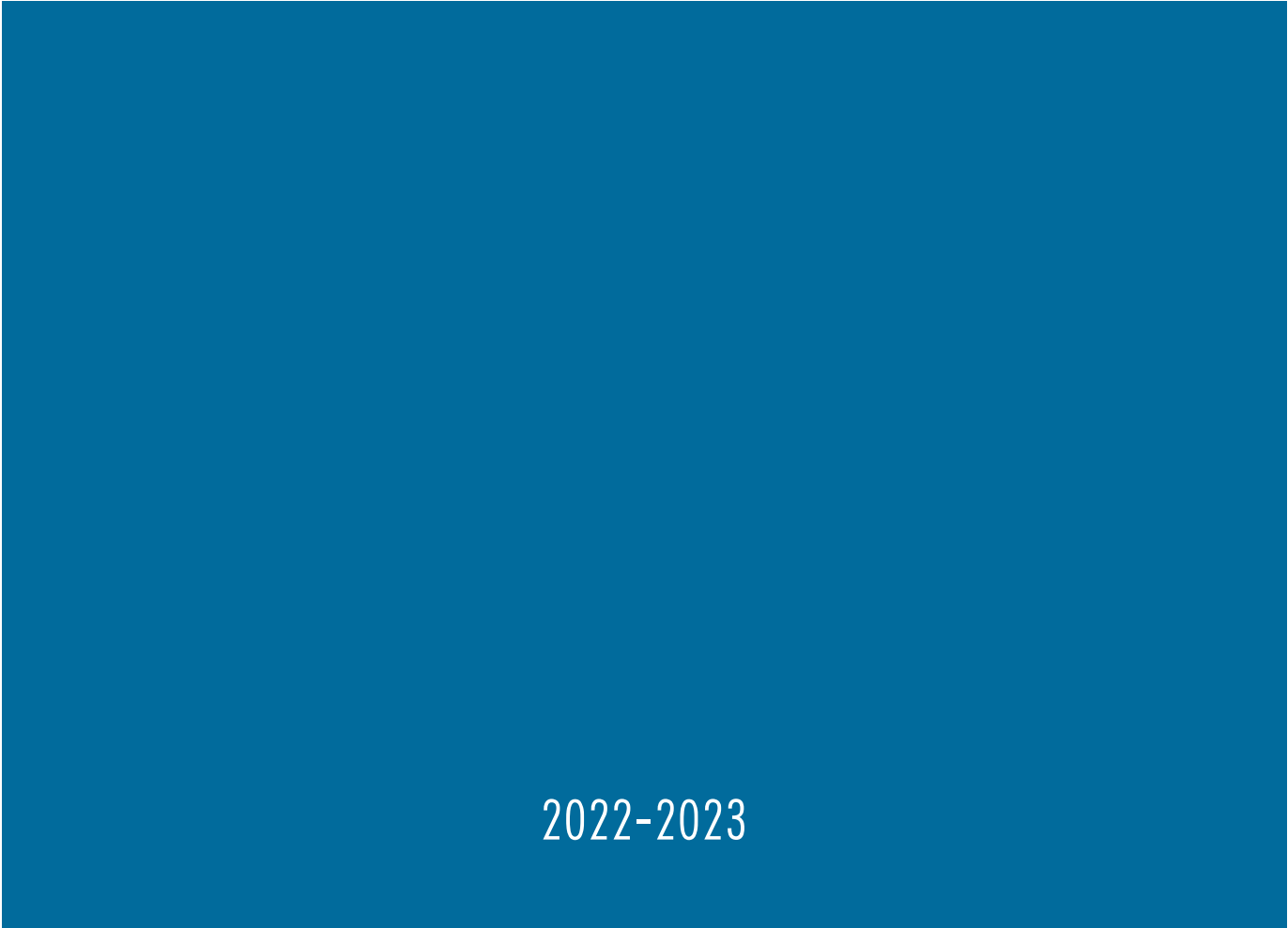




JOINT DELIVERABLES OF THE JUSTICE ACTION COALITION



2022-2023

About this document

*On 14 April 2021, ministers from a diverse group of countries met at the [Ministerial Meeting on Building Peaceful and Inclusive Societies through Justice for All](#). The ministers endorsed a Joint Letter to the UN Secretary-General and agreed to form a **Justice Action Coalition**, aiming to forge new partnerships and strengthen collaboration across borders.*

*On 11 November 2021, the senior level meeting of the Justice Action Coalition discussed increased collaboration in the lead up to the 2023 SDG Summit. The agreed **Joint Action Plan** includes a list of national and international priorities as well as joint deliverables. These joint deliverables will be produced by and with organizations working on people-centered justice.*

*A group of partners met for a **Justice Strategy Day** on 8 March 2022 in Washington DC, to discuss plans to shape the workstreams and joint deliverables. The meeting was an informal exchange, generously hosted by the World Justice Project and with participants from HiiL, WJP, IDLO IDRC, OECD, OGP, Pathfinders, the Netherlands, UNDP, UN Women and USAID.*

*This **overview of joint deliverables** is based on discussion during and following the justice strategy day and provides more detail on the workstreams and joint deliverables, emerging plans and partnerships. All these are to be further defined and developed in the coming months. Other partners and country representatives are invited to contribute to the work.*

2023 Justice Data Report

WJP (*lead*), HiiL, and others

DELIVERABLE: *The Justice Action Coalition will launch a **Justice Data Report** at the second SDG Summit in 2023. The graphical report will be produced by World Justice Project, with inputs and feedback from partners. It will include statistical analysis and data points on access to justice for all.*

The report will present a series of findings on the state of justice for all around the world. The findings will be based on the analysis of global databases and country-level data sources. Among the issues to be analyzed will be the state of access to justice around the world, the needs and level of access for groups that find it hardest to access justice, the economic costs of unmet legal needs and unresolved justice problems. Impact on other development goals, as well as the impact of the pandemic on people's ability to access justice will also be covered. The report will show the availability of justice data and indicators around the world and progress made in recent years. Finally, the report will show examples of effective use of people-centered justice data and indicators to implement justice strategies at the national level.

The purpose of the report will be to inform and shape the global narrative in 2023 and beyond. To achieve justice for all by 2030, a fundamental shift toward the collection and use of people-centered justice data is needed. The report will help make this case. It will build and improve on the data findings and recommendations of the *Justice for All* report, WJP's report on *Measuring the Justice Gap*, as well as the challenge paper *Grasping the Justice Gap*.

Access to Justice SDG16.3.3 Report

OECD, Pathfinders and others

DELIVERABLE: *The Justice Action Coalition will launch an **SDG 16.3.3 Report** at the second SDG Summit in 2023, presenting data on the official indicator adopted by the UN Statistics Commission to measure progress towards target 16.3 of providing equal access to justice for all.*

When the SDGs were adopted in 2015, there was no indicator agreed to measure progress on the goal of providing access to justice for all. In 2020 the official indicator framework of the UN was adapted to include SDG 16.3.3. This indicator measures the number of people who experienced a dispute during the past two years and who accessed a formal or informal dispute resolution mechanism. Data will be released in 2023. The co-custodians of SDG 16.3.3, OECD, UNDP and UNODC, will support countries to report progress against this indicator. The Justice Action Coalition will support these efforts through the production of an analytical and narrative report as a companion to the release of the data. This report will make the data available for a broader audience and identify trends and it will help ground the global policy debate in progress and challenges at the national and local level.

Ibero-American Progress Report 2023

Ibero-American Justice Alliance, World Justice Project and others

DELIVERABLE: *The Justice Action Coalition will launch an Ibero-American Progress Report on Justice for All at the second SDG Summit in 2023. The report will bring together data and evidence from regional and national data sources and present an estimate of the regional justice gap.*

The Progress Report on Justice for All for the Ibero-American region will aim to highlight the achievements and good practices in the region as well as the gaps where additional efforts are required. The report will present disaggregated data on the most common justice problems people face, what works to resolve them, and how they experience their justice journeys. The report will analyze and compile data from regional, national and local legal needs surveys, victimization studies, other relevant surveys and polls, organizational and administrative sources, open justice platforms and datasets, civil society research and data and other relevant studies.

In doing so, the report will advance a common framework that highlights the need for investment in, and attainment of, equal access to justice for all. Finally, the report will showcase examples from Ibero-American countries of legal empowerment and people-centered justice services from civil society as well as public sector actors.

Menu of Game-changers

HiiL (*lead*), Pathfinders and others

DELIVERABLE: *The Justice Action Coalition will launch a list of Game-changers at the second SDG Summit in 2023 with examples of innovations with a strong investment case.*

Building on prior work from HiiL and its partners, this menu of game-changers will be an agreed list of game-changing interventions, presented through case studies of what works and how. Selection will be based on people-centered justice data and rigorous evaluation of evidence. Where possible, case studies will focus on those that find it hardest to access justice.

The case studies will cover interventions that are proven to work, are replicable in various countries and will significantly reduce the justice gap. They will contain the details of examples of investable and scalable justice innovations. The case studies will, as much as possible, include information about the country context and demographics, the use of the innovation in the formal and informal justice systems, outline the innovation, demonstrate how it prevents or resolves justice problems, and present the investment case, including a cost-benefit analysis.

Customary and Informal Justice

Working Group on Customary and Informal Justice

DELIVERABLE: *Publication of a report at the second SDG Summit in 2023 by the Working Group on Customary and Informal Justice compiling evidence of how non-state actors can effectively contribute to the achievement of access to justice for all.*

Established in 2020, the Working Group on Customary and Informal Justice and SDG16+ draws together over 60 diverse justice stakeholders providing data and evidence at global and national levels for the centrality of customary and informal justice in achieving justice for all. The Working Group aims to contribute to an enabling policy environment for governments, development partners, and civil society to engage effectively with customary and informal justice in efforts to build more inclusive and coherent people-centered justice systems.

At the end of 2021, the Working Group adopted a joint action plan, which is in line with the Justice Action Coalition's Joint Action Plan. It maps out a common agenda for mobilizing and sustaining its broad network of stakeholders, strengthening the policy-relevant evidence base on customary and informal justice providers, building policy consensus and driving more relevant and effective justice investments. In order to accelerate action leading up to the SDG Summit in 2023, the Working Group will organize stakeholder and expert consultations informing a report at the Summit itself.

Working Group on Transitional Justice

ICTJ (*lead*), Impunity Watch, and others

DELIVERABLE: *Publication of a report at the HLPF 2023 on Transitional Justice and SDG16+*

The Working Group on Transitional Justice and SDG16+ promotes transitional justice as an integral element of the 2030 Agenda. The Working Group will focus on examining national practices and measures demonstrating how to maximize the value of transitional justice to SDG 16+. It will identify and support measures and policies at the national level, encouraging specific pledges and commitments from members, assessing progress and obstacles, coordinating the collection of data, gathering evidence about innovative approaches, and creating partnerships that reach grassroots actors and the most marginalized communities, including victims of gross human rights violations.

The Working Group will ensure fair geographical representation, and include civil society and victims' groups, solidify its relationship with the Justice Action Coalition, establish links with regional institutions such as AU and EU, and actors and forums such as the UN Human Rights Council, Security Council and Peacebuilding Commission. It will bring in the perspectives of private philanthropy and the private sector. Ahead of the 2023 SDG Summit, the Working Group will organize two in-person meetings, with ad-hoc meetings held around other major events. It will produce, launch, and disseminate a final report in mid-2023.

Global Justice Gap for Women

UN Women and IDLO (*lead*), World Bank, and others

DELIVERABLE: *A report in 2023 with updated research and an estimate of the size of the global justice gap for women, building on the work of the High-level Group on Justice for Women.*

The proposed Justice for Women Report will focus on *Unlocking the Full Potential of Justice Systems for Women and Girls Towards Gender Equality* (tbc). Since 2011, several reports including that of the High-level Group on Justice for Women have drawn attention to women's justice needs. The 2020 report on Justice for Women Amidst Covid 19 demonstrated both the resilience and vulnerability of justice systems in responding to changing justice needs of women across the globe. Some justice systems adapted to the *new normal* through technology. These developments present opportunities to build justice systems back better for women and girls. The proposed report will connect to other global efforts and reports, including the UN Secretary General's Call to Action on Human Rights, Our Common Agenda, Generation Equality, the Women, Peace and Security Agenda, the High-level Group on Justice for Women and the Justice Action Coalition.

The report will examine women's demands for justice, in context and with regard to the life cycle and different categories of women. Justice surveys undertaken by a range of institutions will be reviewed for a holistic understanding of women's justice problems. The justice gap will be analyzed in qualitative and quantitative terms, with emphasis on physical and economic access, effectiveness of justice institutions and financing. The report will review the implementation of recommendations of previous reports. Some interventions will be selected to highlight what has worked, how, why, by and with whom. Elements to be investigated include the costs of interventions, scalability, replicability, impact, partnerships, south-south and north-south cooperation.

Young Justice Leaders

Pathfinders and others

DELIVERABLE: *The Justice Action Coalition will launch a Young Justice Leaders report at the second SDG Summit in 2023*

Global debates about our future must be more inclusive of young people, providing spaces that authentically engage young voices and support the utilization of their expertise being in research, policy-making, and high-level events. It is against this backdrop that the first ever cohort of young justice leaders was formed. The group is comprised of change makers who work to put people at the center of justice. The cohort will focus on the SDG Summit in 2023, as a space to engage and contribute to international dialogue and research. The goal of the group is to facilitate collaboration, build networks, and contribute to the global policy dialogue on justice for all, demonstrating that people-centered justice is possible and necessary.

Justice for Children

Terre des hommes, University of Strathclyde, and others

DELIVERABLE: *The Justice Action Coalition will release a series of Justice for Children Briefings leading up to the second SDG Summit in 2023.*

The Justice for Children working group will support the Justice Action Coalition's ambition to put the spotlight on the most common justice problems, how and why they occur and who faces them. To that end, the Justice for Children working group will harness global learnings from innovations in response to extreme conditions imposed by COVID-19 restrictions and reinforce child and youth participation as important 'new partnerships' essential for achieving justice for all, in order to inform policy guidance and support national governments to better achieve Justice for Children.

The Justice for Children working group will leverage existing expertise in child and youth participatory methodologies in order to ensure that children and young people, including those from marginalized groups, are equipped with the knowledge and skills to influence the SDG agenda and demand accountability from leaders in the achievement of the goals by 2030.

Key Messages on People-Centered Justice

UNDP, Pathfinders, and others

DELIVERABLE: *Sets of key messages, targeting different audiences, to ground and align the work of the Justice Action Coalition and strengthen the common understanding of people-centered justice.*

Over 57 UN Member States have endorsed the principles on people-centered justice, listed in the joint letter by the Justice Action Coalition to the UNSG in April 2021. The global movement on people-centered justice is gathering pace with people-centered justice being included in the UNSG's report on Our Common Agenda, IDLO's new strategic plan, OECD's framework for people-centered justice, USAID's new rule of law policy, and UNDP's Global Program. The next step is to reach a broader group of stakeholders – in judiciary, bar associations, ministries of justice, ombudsmen offices, and other public sector entities such as legal identity and birth registration offices or immigration offices – by articulating what people-centered justice means for their work.

A group of partners will be brought together around a set of tailored messages for a range of audiences to reach beyond the narrow community of access to justice practitioners to a range of stakeholders, including ordinary people. The aim is to identify and create a shared narrative and core messages on people-centered justice, so partners can speak with one voice. This will be solutions-based and will create a new understanding of how to build fairer, more inclusive, and more effective justice eco-systems. UNDP and Pathfinders will develop an initial proposal for key messages and a strategy for reaching diverse audiences, with a variety of communication tools, to be consulted with partners. At least one key meeting or workshop will be organized in the second half of 2022.