


4SD

Skills, Systems & Synergies for Sustainable Development



Helping people change the way
they think, talk, act, and lead
on Sustainable Development

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development agreed by world leaders in September 2015 offers a clear vision for the future for the world's people and for the planet.

4SD helps people leading on sustainable development to achieve greater impact in challenging settings. 4SD equips them with the skills they need to make a lasting difference. 4SD encourages the use of systems approaches which enable leaders to work more effectively across sectors and among multiple stakeholders.

4SD always fosters integrated people-centred action in ways that are inclusive, connect all stakeholders and offer the promise of true sustainability.

Academy 4SD

4SD enables leaders who work on the 2030 Agenda to develop their skills through mentoring, tailored learning materials, and managed networks.

Learning Themes		Group mentoring Facilitated dialogue of a maximum of five individuals facing similar issues	One-on-one mentoring Weekly sessions with a mentor who has relevant multi-disciplinary experience
Personal skills	Implementation		
Radical listening Using emotions effectively Public speaking and presenting	Prioritization, organization, and reporting Decision making: synergies & trade-offs		
Change management	Coalition building		
Change processes and transformations Measuring progress Managing expectations	Systems mind-sets Moderation and facilitation; Inclusivity Dispute resolution		

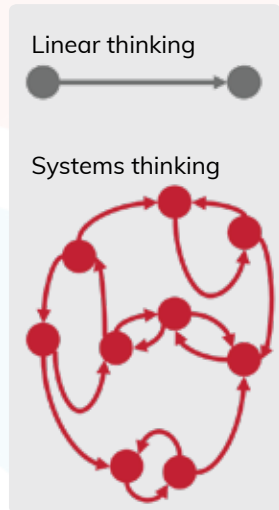
Preparatory workshops

An in-person workshop is offered to ensure that the mentoring responds to needs and circumstances of the programme participants.

4SD supports people responsible for leading on implementation of sustainable development in local and national governments, international organisations, civil society, media, and the business community.

Experienced mentors offer advice that empowers these leaders as they respond to new challenges. Mentors are able to provide coaching. They offer strategic guidance and assist with personal development.

Additionally, written materials and interactive learning modules are made available: they collate experiences and approaches which contribute to success.



Principles of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development

The nature of the Agenda requires leaders to respond to needs both of people and the planet, reflecting interconnections between them. To leave no-one behind, they need to partner with actors with varied motives, mandates and ways of working.

People centered

Implementation of the 2030 Agenda should be determined by the interests of the whole of society, with no one omitted or left behind.

Universal

The 2030 Agenda applies to all peoples, all nations, all institutions and all organizations in our world.

Interconnected

Lives of people and ecosystems in the planet are interconnected. They are best addressed using systems thinking approaches, not linear models.

Integrated

Actions to advance the Agenda should be integrated across sectors of government and professional disciplines.

Partnering

Best results are achieved when all actors align their efforts and work together, as partners.

4SD will enable persons who have developed innovative approaches for sustainable development to share their experiences and to contact others who can benefit from their insights. In this way 4SD enables innovators to make their insights more widely available.

Services 4SD

4SD offers strategic advice, facilitation, and programmatic support to assist with the transformation of current development practices so that they

- pursue the goals of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development,
- are implemented in ways that reflect the 2030 Agenda's principles,
- and achieve demonstrable results at scale.

Initiatives seeking to implement systems thinking can engage with 4SD to solve problems of cross-organizational collaboration.

About 4SD Sàrl.

4SD is a social enterprise based in Switzerland and led by David Nabarro, a medical doctor, civil servant and former Special Adviser on Sustainable Development and Climate Change to the United Nations Secretary-General.

