



# ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT ON THE GOALS AND TARGETS WE COMMITTED 2024-2025



## Sustainable development goals

# Introduction



The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), also known as Global Goals, are a set of 17 integrated and interrelated goals to end poverty, protect the planet and ensure that humanity enjoys peace and prosperity by 2030.

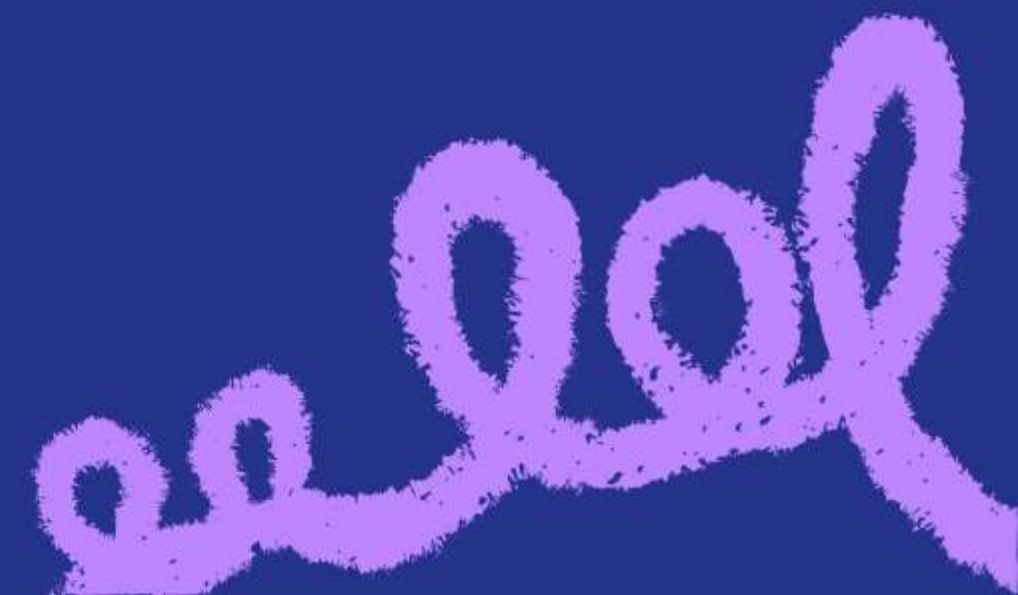
Reporting on the SDGs is important in communicating to stakeholders the company's commitment to contributing to the Global Goals; claiming accountability and responsibility to take the necessary actions; and measuring progress over time.

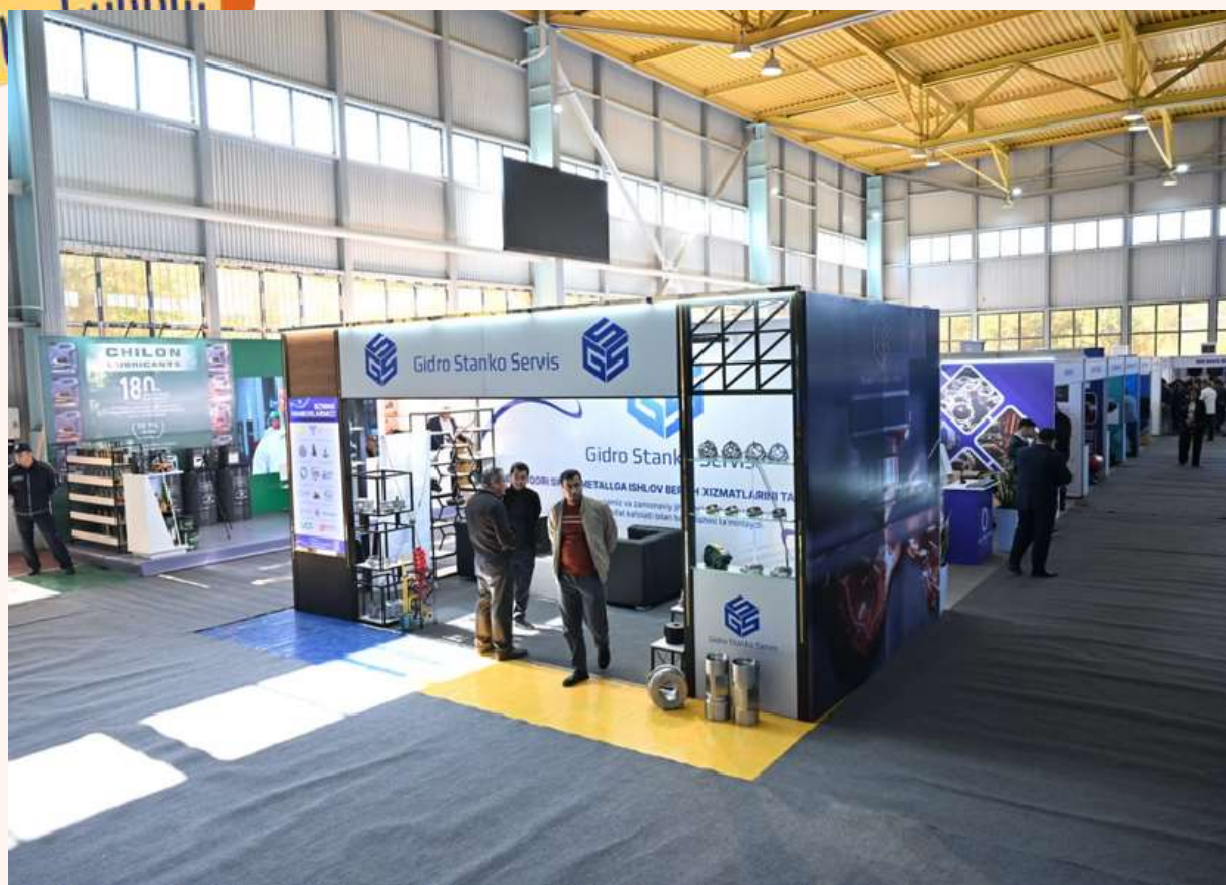
SDG Progress Reports cater to a variety of audiences, so it's best to adjust it accordingly. First, identify your target reader. Next, you can shift your focus on what they need to know. For example, your action plans are in the interest of your beneficiaries. Your investors might prefer details like timelines or budgets, while others like your external stakeholders will be more interested in the impact made, the challenges you encountered and the lessons you learned from them.





Navoi State university (NSU) is committed to contributing to the achievement of SDGs through various research, educational, and community-based initiatives. The university actively publishes its progress on this goal through annual reports, research publications, and specific projects aimed at poverty reduction





In the sports complex "Kimyogar" in the city of Navoi, the opening ceremony of the inter-sectoral industrial fair of the Navoi region, specializing in the fields of mining metallurgy, chemical industry, energy, building materials and electrical engineering, was held.

The rector of the Navoi State Pedagogical Institute, professor Mukhiddin Kalonov, among the leaders of enterprises and organizations, took part in the industrial fair and got acquainted with the industrial exhibitions presented by the enterprises.

Industrial cooperation in harmony with the localization program is a guarantee of increasing the level of influence of priority industries within the framework of international and regional cooperation by using internal capabilities and introducing fast new modern technologies.

## 9 INDUSTRY, INNOVATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE



In the city of Navoi, an intersectoral regional industrial fair was held at the building of the Navoi regional branch of the Agency for Assessment of Knowledge and Skills. The event brought together enterprises specializing in mining and metallurgy, electrical engineering, power engineering, the chemical industry, and construction materials production.



At the fair, 235 industrial manufacturing enterprises from Navoi region and other regions of the republic took part, presenting nearly 3,000 product samples. They showcased goods planned for import substitution, products proposed for localization through industrial cooperation, as well as their promising future projects.



Representatives of Navoi State University also took part in the industrial fair and got acquainted with the industrial exhibitions presented by enterprises. Today, representatives of more than 3,000 industrial enterprises and nearly 290 enterprises operating successfully with foreign investment in our region presented their products. During the event, participants discussed potential future cooperation opportunities.





## An Important Step Toward Cooperation: Memorandum Signed with “Navoiyazot” JSC

A significant event took place in Navoi Region, marking a new stage in collaboration between the education and industry sectors. A memorandum of understanding was signed between **Professor Mukhiddin Kalonov**, Rector of Navoi State University, and **Farrukh Samadov**, Chairman of the Board of “Navoiyazot” Joint-Stock Company.

This document aims to strengthen mutually beneficial cooperation, develop the integration of science and production, and improve the system of training young specialists based on modern needs and the dual education model. Under the memorandum, cooperation will be carried out in the following areas:

- Organizing industrial internships for students at the “Navoiyazot” JSC facilities;
- Implementing joint programs focused on scientific research, innovative projects, and the development of human resources;
- Establishing branch departments at industrial sites;
- Creating opportunities for teachers and researchers to exchange experience under real production conditions.





## Bridging Theory and Practice in Training Specialists

In our country, significant progress is being made to develop mutually beneficial cooperation between higher education institutions and industrial enterprises, ensuring closer integration between science and practice.

A memorandum of understanding was signed between **Professor Mukhiddin Kalonov**, Rector of Navoi State University, and **Ulugbek Fayziyev**, founder of one of the largest companies in Navoi Region — *Zarafshon Golden Group*. The memorandum outlines plans for active collaboration in the following areas:

- Organizing industrial internships for students at *Zarafshon Golden Group* enterprises;
- Strengthening direct connections between students and employers within the dual education system and establishing branch departments at production sites;
- Implementing the scientific developments of university scholars and researchers into production;
- Carrying out joint innovative projects based on modern technologies.





# Strategic Partnership Agreement Signed Between Geely Holding and Navoiy State University

Navoiy State University has taken another important step in expanding its international cooperation — establishing a partnership with **Geely Holding**, a prestigious Chinese corporation.

**Geely Holding** is a global giant in the automotive, technology, and innovation sectors, and its education-focused branch is the **Geely Talent Development Group**. Currently, this group operates 9 modern and innovative educational institutions.

During an official visit to China, the university's leadership held a meeting with Geely Holding's Vice President, **Zoe Che**. The discussions focused on the prospects for bilateral cooperation in detail.

As a result of this partnership, the “**Navoiy Xinwei**” **Institute** will be established at Navoiy State University. This institute will offer specialized programs for students from Uzbekistan, Central Asia, and worldwide, including AI-based hybrid learning modules aligned with international standards.

Additionally, a **Chinese Language Center** will be established at the university, offering joint education programs, short-term professional development courses, and student and faculty exchange programs. This collaboration will be implemented on a broad and innovative scale with investments from the **Geely Talent Development Group**.





On January 16, 2024, a memorandum of cooperation was signed between Navoi State University and Navoi State University of Mining and Technologies.

At the official meeting, the rectors of both higher education institutions — Mukhiddin Kalonov and Bakhtiyor Mardonov — as well as vice-rectors, deans, and department heads took part.

This memorandum aims to further develop scientific and technical cooperation between the universities, promote the exchange of experience, and organize the educational process jointly and effectively.

In addition, based on this memorandum, joint scientific research related to industrial and economic issues in the Navoi region will be conducted, technologies relying on innovative solutions will be developed, and measures will be taken to implement them in practice.

Close cooperation between the scholars of the two universities will undoubtedly play an important role in the comprehensive development of Navoi region and in the training of qualified specialists.

