





# UN 2.0: Action Ideas for UN Country Teams

A non-exhaustive list of practical steps you can take to advance the implementation of UN 2.0 with your team.

Driver	Action
<b>STRATEGY &amp; RESOURCES</b> 	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Leverage the "Pact for the Future" mandate</b> (Action 45, Paragraph. 73.a) to advocate for shifts in current or future strategies, programmes, budgets, and posts that enhance capabilities in data, innovation, digital, foresight, and behavioural science expertise for accelerated SDG progress.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Start a conversation</b> among the UN Country Team on how <b>UN Sustainable Development Cooperation Frameworks</b> (UNSDCF) can translate stronger capabilities in data analytics, digital tools, innovation methodologies, foresight planning, and behavioural science into better Member State support.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Organize workshops among your UN Country Team</b> to surface solutions how data, digital technologies, innovation, foresight, and behavioural science can solve existing problems, enhance mandate delivery and country programmes - both by streamlining internal operations and introducing new methods to strengthen existing programmes.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Advocate for support from pooled funding instruments</b> (SDG Joint, PBF, CBPF, CERF, etc.) for projects that prioritize data, digital, innovation, foresight, and behavioural science approaches.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Run a survey within your country team</b> to assess existing capabilities (e.g., skill levels in data, digital, innovation, foresight, behavioural science) and organizational culture (e.g., openness, partnerships, risk-taking, bottom-up initiatives) to identify strengths and opportunities for growth, as well as to surface existing solutions and tools that could be used and adopted more broadly.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Utilize existing ICT and telecommunications budgets</b> to acquire software licenses and tools, for example spend \$2.5 per month per RCO staff to get the Microsoft Teams Premium Add-On for easy meeting transcript summaries and identify follow-on tasks for action items in meetings you convene.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Review the <a href="#">UN 2.0 Use Case Portfolio</a></b> for inspiration from other UN teams on how to use UN 2.0 solutions for better impact.
<b>CULTURE &amp; BEHAVIOUR</b> 	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Establish incentives</b> that promote grassroots innovation by recognizing colleagues who bring new ideas or innovative solutions (e.g., public recognition, professional development opportunities, rewards like travel or specialized training).
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Integrate UN 2.0 goals and performance targets</b> into annual performance documents among your team to align individual objectives with organizational priorities.
	<input type="checkbox"/> Provide accessible <b>learning opportunities</b> through brownbag presentations, dialogue series, or workshops with external experts. Leverage the <b>UN 2.0 Communities of Practice</b> for connections to relevant experts or hosting support.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Share success stories publicly</b> to inspire broader adoption and attract potential collaboration partners.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Encourage your team</b> to implement digital approaches to optimize daily workflows, e.g. Microsoft Forms instead of paper forms.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Include UN 2.0 elements</b> - such as cultural guidelines and learning resources - in <b>onboarding materials</b> for new managers and team members.	

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<b>PEOPLE &amp; LEARNING</b> 	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Advocate with AFPs</b> to hire more experts in UN 2.0 or data-related roles. Refer to the <a href="#">UN 2.0 LinkedIn channel</a> for weekly examples of specialist job posts from across the UN system.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Incorporate UN 2.0 experience requirements</b> into all job postings in RC Offices to attract candidates with relevant skills (contact <a href="mailto:dos-hr-advice@un.org">dos-hr-advice@un.org</a> for guidance).
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hire researchers as fellows</b> to embed specialized expertise into your teams or facilitate research projects. Consider consultant posts or UNVs for hiring and consider contacting UN 2.0 community managers for advice on scoping.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Leverage United Nations Volunteer (UNV) postings</b> to fill gaps in UN 2.0 areas, especially for specialized projects. Leverage the <a href="#">UNV UN 2.0 skills library</a> for drafting of descriptions of assignment.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Encourage all colleagues to join UN 2.0 communities of practice</b> for peer learning and knowledge exchange by signing up at <a href="https://un-two-zero.network/join-us">un-two-zero.network/join-us</a> .
<b>COLLABORATION &amp; PARTNERSHIPS</b> 	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Inform and encourage colleagues to pursue new learning opportunities</b> , such as the free <a href="#">UN 2.0 Fundamentals e-Learning Path</a> offered by UNSSC, or online courses available through LinkedIn Learning, HBS Online, Coursera, and edX.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Establish collaborations with universities</b> by initiating joint projects where the UNCT members provide problem sets and universities develop solutions, or by offering fellowships (including via consultancies) for UN 2.0 projects. For example, email <a href="mailto:fiona.cece@un.org">fiona.cece@un.org</a> for info about the UN MOU with ETH Zurich, or the IE University collaboration, among others.
	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Convene roundtables</b> on UN 2.0 related topics with government and partners, e.g. 'Digital Futures in Health', 'How to build innovation ecosystems.'
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Invite external speakers</b> from universities, civil society organizations, and other sectors to enhance understanding of data, innovation, digital technologies, foresight, and behavioural science across your team.	
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Facilitate regular knowledge-sharing sessions</b> with UN entities, academic institutions, civil society, and the private sector to promote collaboration and shared learning.	