Technology configuration inventory

Name:	Brooklyn Coulson
Community & UN SDG(s):	Non-Profit organizations within Saskatchewan (potentially across Canada regarding examples on how the gals can be implemented). Mainly goals 4.7, 17.7, however all goals will be featured in the project.
Date:	October 20, 2023

Instructions

It is useful to inventory the current technology configuration of the community, i.e., the current technology that the people working, learning, advancing knowledge (etc.) in the specific area you are engineering software for are using, as a way to understand the community better and what matters to them better. If yours is a new community, it may not have any specific technology yet, but even for brand new communities, the current configuration may not be empty, for instance if general tools like email or phone are going to be used. You can use a version of the table on the next page to inventory and analyze the current configuration of your community:

1. Get the big picture. Research the area and make a list of all the platforms and stand-alone tools in your community's configuration as best you can
2. For each platform, list the tools and check the ones that are being used. Why are some not being used? Are there duplicates? Are there issues around integration between tools?
3. To the left, make a note of which community activities/orientations the tools currently support in your community
4. To the right, identify the key features of tools. Are some of these features commonly or rarely used? What are the reasons for that?
5. Assess actual tool use if you can. Identify which are dominant and which are only used by smaller groups and individuals.

NOTE: Add new rows as needed below. Please know your search should be as exhaustive as possible given the area you are researching

Platform	United Nations Global Compact		
Supported activities	**Tools**	**Key features**	**Usage notes**
The SDG Compass provides guidance for companies on how they can align their strategies as well as measure and manage their contribution to the realization of the SDGs.	SDG Compass	- Can learn more about the SDGs - Explains the roles a business has, business themes addressed, and examples of action, indicators, and business tools regarding the goals - Has external resources for using business tools and business indicators	- The website exclusively says it caters to for profit businesses of larger sizes, so all others are "encouraged to use it as a source of inspiration and adapt as necessary" - some of the options provided are out of the realm of possibilities for non-profits and it is not easy to filter through the "relevant info" to them - some of the links no longer work - the last time the information was updated was in 2017 http://sdgcompass.org/

Beginning in 2017 we are offering a new portfolio of Action Platforms to advance business activities and outcomes in relation to the Ten Principles and the SDGs. Developed in consultation with LEAD companies, Local Networks, UN agencies and relevant partners, Action Platforms fill emerging gaps in advancing the SDGs.	Action Platforms	Not sure specifically since the link is broken	- says it is tailored for up to 40 companies and requires a fee (out of non-profits realm of reality) - link is still broken https://unglobalcompact.org/sdgs/sdg-toolbox
Showcases industry-specific examples and ideas for corporate action related to the SDGs. Presented in a series of publications, each matrix highlights bold pursuits and decisions made by diverse companies for each SDG.	SDG Industry Matrix	- Each document of topic discusses how the SDGs are related to that topic - provides opportunities for shared values to collaborate/get started - provides examples on what other businesses are doing to work towards the goal in respect to the document topic	- Has 7 documents surrounding different areas of interest (SDG's are discussed with respect to the topic) - A lot of the examples are to do with organizations that have more resources, time, or staff to be able to pull it off - They discuss things like policies and investments, which are things most non-profits can't participate in https://unglobalcompact.org/library/3111

Stand-alone tool	SDG Actions Platform		
Supported activities	**Tool**	**Key features**	**Usage notes**
Global Registry of policies, commitments, partnerships and initiatives made by a variety of entities which support acceleration of SDGs	SDG Actions Filtering Platform	- filter the initiatives by SDG they target, entity type (Government, non-profit organization, academic institution, etc.), and action network - can also search by keyword - when viewing the initiative there's	- is a fantastic tool capturing the projects/ideas surrounding how people can use SDGs in their projects/initiatives - non-profit sector make up 54/7999 submissions - lots of the examples do not face the resource limitations that non-profits do https://sdgs.un.org/partnerships/browse

		information regarding the project, partnerships, internal goals, time lines for completion, geographic location, external links	