Drafting an emerging picture

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	Mainly goals 4.7, 17.17, however all goals will be featured in the project
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Instructions:

Using your researched information fill out the flowing comparing the current state of the art with what you think new (software) innovations could bring to the community

Covering the orientations	
Compare the left-hand column of the document "Technology configuration inventory" table with the right-hand column of the document "Community characteristics & orientation" table. What do you notice about the match (or mismatch) between your dominant community orientations and the current configuration of tools?	
How well does the technology inventory cover the orientations? What themes emerged from both the community orientations and the technology configuration from your colleagues' notes	The Content and Service Context aligned fairly well in terms of the technology tools present and the community orientations. Individual participation and Access to Expertise also aligned quite well. One of the gaps with what's currently present in the inventory and not really a value added feature relevant to the orientation is the focus on Projects. The SDG Actions Platform really focused on the option of collaborating and working together, despite the geographical differences of the community. Based on what's available, it covers the orientation pretty well, however the content within all those tools are aimed towards larger enterprises and government bodies rather than non-profit organizations.
☒ Are you almost there? ☐ Are there big gaps?	I'd say we're almost there, just a change in the content is really needed, the structures currently in place are on the right track or have valuable aspects to them.
What is the range of skills? If their interests and/or skills are diverse, could it cause conflict or distraction?	Their range of skills do vary, it just depends on their age, their experience and their willingness to explore new technologies. Since their skills differ, it might be hard to choose a design that will be easy to use/navigate, seem inviting, whilst not being too simplistic/hand holding centred. I think the overarching interest in the non-profit sector and the desire to help the community will keep the community together and help to keep the distractions/conflicts at bay. I'd say the design of the SDG Compass is more so designed with an older audience in mind since everything is clearly labeled and it's easy to navigate.
Achieving integration	
Look at all the pieces of your configuration	
What level of integration and interoperability has been achieved?	The SDG Compass did a very good job of integrating a lot of the features I wish to include all into one platform, and the SDG Actions Platform. Interoperability isn't really a concern here since they are all websites that can be accessed by any web-browser. We could consider the use of the websites on a mobile device, however both websites support mobile views.

Where are there big gaps	The biggest gap would have to be the fact that the content within these tools are not primarily targeting non-profit organizations, and if they are trying to target them, then they are relying on the non-profit organizations to self submit information which takes time (time they do not have).

Balancing the polarities (Current state)

How is the configuration balanced with respect to each polarity?

Synchronous …Synchronous tools?	<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<< **Asynchronous** …Asynchronous tools?
Participation >>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>>> …Participation tools?	<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<< **Reification** …Reification tools?
Group >>> …Group tools?	<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<< **Individual** …Individual tools?

How well does this balance fit your community?	I'd say this balance fits fairly well, however I would think that less emphasis on the participation aspect would be preferred since that will be only a portion of the website focus (people don't have to participate in the survey if they don't want to, maybe they just want to browse the examples and utilize the resource links available).

Solution seeking

In the new configuration, do you want your choice of tools to affect the polarities of your community in ways that differ from the current configuration? Which way?

Synchronous …New synchronous tools?	<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<< **Asynchronous** …New asynchronous tools?
Participation >>>>>>>>>> …New participation tools?	<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<< **Reification** …New reification tools?
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MVP notes

1. Create a website that will have 3 distinct sections (Survey, Example initiative uses, Resources), however focus on getting a survey up and running

2. Create a couple different surveys depending on the time the user has (longer and more indepth options, or shorter speed run versions). Input some more resources and examples.

3. Refine how the examples are to be filtered/categorized and spend more time trying to find examples in the

community; input these into the website along with more resources.

4. Create a way to accept feedback, create a FAQ section, and how they website/examples can be shared to social media outlets. Perhaps look into ways the results of the surveys can be emailed/sent to the user for future reference.