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Inclusive cooperation is strengthened:

- **Faith-Based Organisations (FBOs) and other Civil Society Organisations (CSOs)**, enhance their networks through a partnership that goes beyond traditional approaches, providing access to key actors, governments, and multilateral institutions. They can find common ground with other civil society actors, including diverse religious, spiritual, indigenous and traditional actors.

- **Multilateral Entities** can confirm that their efforts are meaningful to people on the ground through direct contact with local actors from all over the world. They can demonstrate their openness to new ideas and actors while seeing how different approaches and forms of collaboration can make sustainable development more effective, and people centered.

- **Governments** reach more people and are more effective when religious, spiritual, indigenous and traditional values and wisdom are considered in sustainable development policies. They can forge new links, create important synergies, and cooperate regionally and globally.

- **Academic/Research Institutions** broaden their research possibilities and evidence base through access to practitioners, policymakers and case studies. At the same time, the partnership offers opportunities to share research results through PaRD’s knowledge centre and social media.

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Religious, spiritual, indigenous, and traditional values and wisdom influence the thoughts and actions of billions of people and inspire organisations and initiatives around the world. Significant contributions to sustainable development and humanitarian aid are made through the unique knowledge, resources, and networks of these actors, who reach even the most remote corners of the globe.

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