

## In pursuit of SDGs MGA advocates:

A rights-based approach,  
through justice and development  
for all People and all Life



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## To achieve Goal 9 MGA will:

**Lobby** for the right to safe, drinking water and adequate sanitation for everyone.

**Promote** education and scientific innovation at every level in society.

**Advocate** against injustice in any industry on grounds of rights, equality and sustainability.

**Support** local industry and small businesses.

**Work with authorities** to increase the provision and use of more public facilities, i.e. libraries, walkways and cycle paths.

## MGA is committed to:

**Promote a person centred model** of development in delivery of these goals.

**Work with civil society** to monitor progress in the implementation of the SDGs

**Integrate the ideas and concerns** of those most affected by the SDG under review.

## MGA will continue to

**Raise awareness** re new technology in relation to recycling and waste disposal.

**Network** with other NGOs and organisations to keep updated on all aspects of sustainable living.

**Highlight the dangers** associated with the privatisation of any of the SDGs.

*‘There is no such thing as away’.  
When we throw anything away,  
it must go somewhere’.*  
**Annie Leonard.**

**Resources:** [www.mercyworld.org](http://www.mercyworld.org);  
<http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/sustainable-development-goals>. <https://news.pq.com/press-release/pq-announces-new-environmental-sustainability->  
<https://pixabay.com/en/>

## MERCY INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION GLOBAL ACTION

SUSTAINABLE  
DEVELOPMENT  
GOALS

## GOAL 9

## Industry, Innovation and Infrastructure



***Innovation is the ability to see change as an opportunity, not a threat.*** Steve Jobs

## WHAT ARE THE SDGS?

The UN Sustainable Development Agenda, with the 17 Goals (SDGs) were implemented January 1<sup>st</sup> 2016, to run through to 2030. They address inequality, poverty, sustainable development, protection of ecosystems and climate change.



## GOAL 9 IS THE FOCUS OF THIS PAMPHLET.

To build resilient infrastructure, promote inclusive, sustainable industrialization, and foster innovation.

Central to implementation of Goal 9 is:

**Infrastructure** - provides the basic physical facilities essential for business and society;

**Industrialization** - powers economic growth and job creation, reducing income inequality;

**Innovation** - generates development of new skills and expands technological productivity.

## GLOBAL FACTS

- Inadequate infrastructure can cut businesses' productivity by 40 percent.
- Air travel and shipping is an important component of physical infrastructure, particularly for landlocked countries.
- Manufacturing underpins employment, social stability and a robust economy.
- Renewable energy sectors employ 2.3 million, this could be 20 million by 2030.
- 4 billion people have no internet access, 90% of these are in less developed areas.
- 1.1 billion people lack access to clean water; 2.6 billion lack adequate sanitation.
- Education is a critical means of fostering and promoting innovation



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## COLLECTIVE ACTION

**Promote innovation** to reduce waste i.e. design a plastics system in which this material never ends up as waste!

**Lobby government** for better roads, public transport, health, educational facilities etc.  
**Lobby** for an increase in government aid to poorer countries

**Support local industries /shops** that source goods locally and hire staff from the area.  
**Purchase** seasonal fruits and vegetables, thereby avoiding cargo air miles



## PERSONAL CHALLENGES

**Recycle, Reduce, Reuse, Renew.** Keep up to date on new methods of recycling

**Think about sustainable travel** before deciding on the next holiday.

**Use public transport** or opt to walk or cycle wherever possible.

**Q1.** Do I support local shops/industry? How?

**Q2.** How open am I do new ideas. Explain