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# ESPON SDG localising tool

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**Objective:** to offer hands on support to regional, and national policy-makers and citizens alike in localising and achieving the SDGs

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**ESPON's SDGs localising tool**

The SDGs localising tool offers support to local and regional governments in localising and achieving the SDGs. It presents indicators to measure and monitor the SDGs and benchmark similar regions.

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**What are Sustainable Development Goals**

The SDGs, adopted by the UN General Assembly in 2015, provide a new global policy framework aiming at ending all forms of poverty, fighting inequalities and tackling climate change. They are divided into 17 interconnected goals which relate to social, economic and environmental aspects.

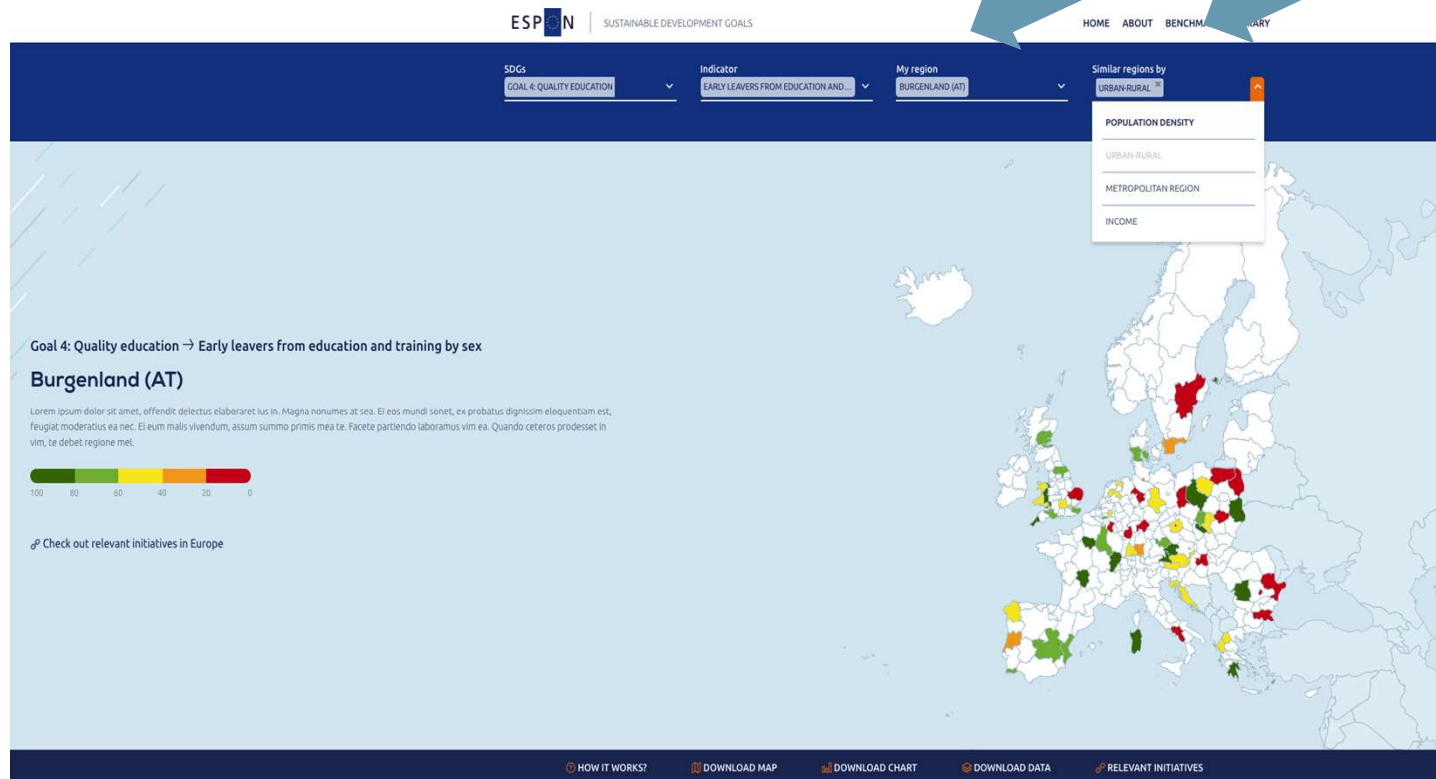
The SDGs are being mainstreamed in all levels of policy. The EU has committed to implement the SDGs both in its internal and external policies.

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**Questions it helps answer:**

- ✦ Is my region making progress towards achieving the SDG targets?
- ✦ Is my region lagging behind or leading in achieving SDGs compared to other similar regions?
- ✦ From which regions in Europe can I draw inspiration to progress towards the SDGs?
- ✦ Which regions would benefit from targeted support to help step up action to improve their progress and thus contribute substantially to the national progress on the SDGs?

## How it works: 4 steps



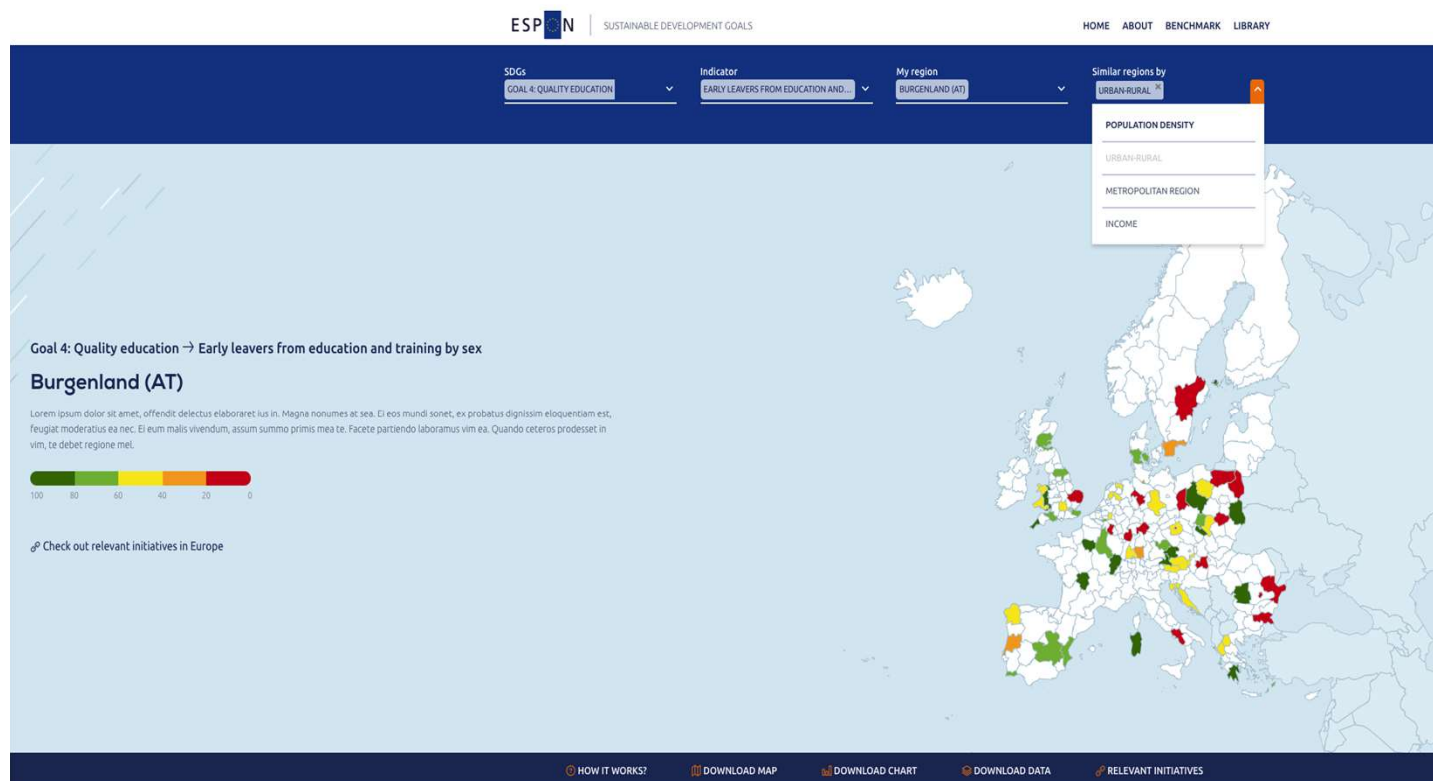


## Functionalities

- ↗ Diagnose and monitor performance in SDGs
- ↗ Display distance to targets by indicator
- ↗ Benchmark similar regions to showcase and compare the SDGs by several criteria:
  - ↗ Population density
  - ↗ Urban-Rural
  - ↗ Income criteria
  - ↗ Metropolitan regions
  - ↗ Regions in the same country
  - ↗ Regions with similar results
- ↗ Track progress along multiple periods in time
- ↗ Provide inspiration from studies and initiatives on the ground
- ↗ Allow downloading of data, maps, charts



## Functionalities example: Diagnose and monitor performance



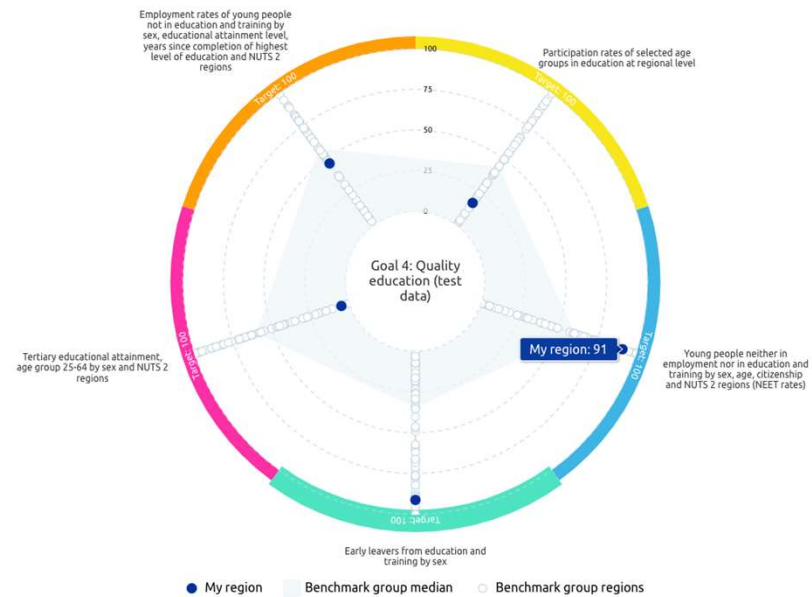


## Functionalities example: Display distance to targets

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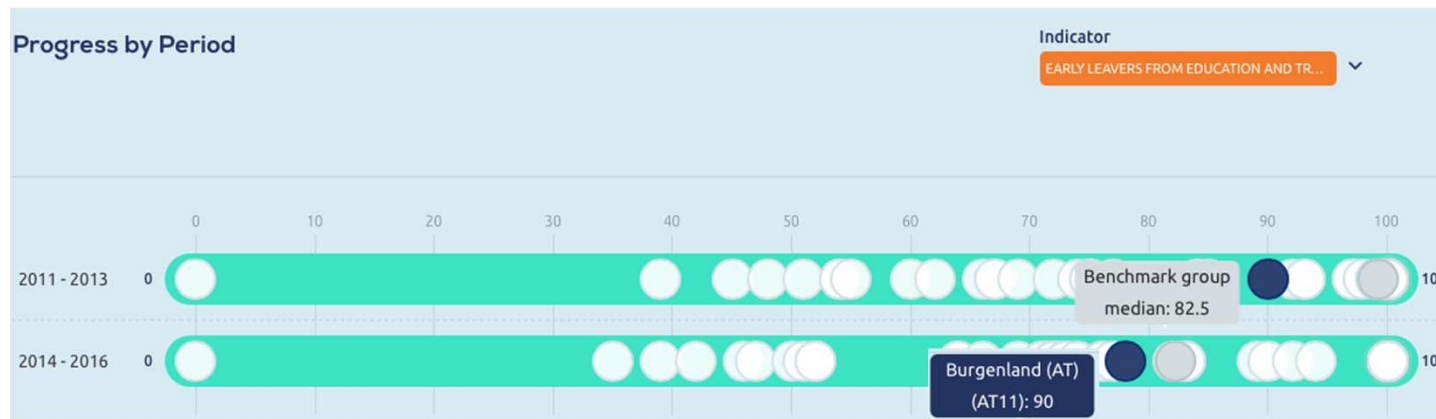
### Benchmark

Chart #1





## Functionalities Example: Progress over two Periods





## Functionalities Example: Library

The screenshot shows a web application interface for 'ESPON's SDGs libraries'. The top navigation bar includes 'HOME', 'ABOUT', 'TOOL', and 'LIBRARY'. The left sidebar contains the title 'ESPON's SDGs libraries' and two menu items: 'SDGs' and 'Initiatives', both with right-pointing arrows. The main content area features a search filter box with three dropdown menus: 'Related goal' (set to 'GOAL 4 QUALITY EDUCATION'), 'Country' (set to '- SELECT -'), and 'Region' (set to '- SELECT -'). Below the filters is a search input field labeled 'ENTER KEYWORDS' and a 'SEARCH' button. The search results are listed below, each with a small flag icon, a country name, a region name, a title, and a brief description. The first result is for Spain, Cantabria (ES13), titled 'Master Plan of the Las Llamas Campus'. The second result is for Denmark, Syddanmark (DK03), titled 'Growth Project Competence Growth'. The third result is for Denmark, Nordjylland (DK05), titled 'Entrepreneurship & Job creation'.





## Next steps

- ↗ **Finetune and QR the tool**
- ↗ **Finalise the data collection**
- ↗ **Validate indicators, targets, beta version of the tool**
  - ↗ Steering committee (Eurostat, CoR, DG REGIO, UN, OECD)
  - ↗ Pilot regions
    - 1) Eastern and midland (IE)
    - 2) Catalonia (ES)
    - 3) Eastern Slovenia (SI)
- ↗ **Milestones**
  - ↗ European week of regions and cities
  - ↗ Finalisation October 2020



**Thank you**

**More information on the methodology and progress of the project can be found [here](#).**

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