

The 5th Glocal Advocacy Leadership in Asia (GALA) Academy – South Asia is a joint initiative by Asia Development Alliance (ADA) and Asia Democracy Network (ADN) with the aim of strengthening advocacy capacity of CSOs for defending and promoting civic and democratic space and human rights through strategic “glocal (global and local)” actions on the UN 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development known as Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).



The 5 days training was organised in Pokhara, Nepal from 12 to 16 Nov. 2017 in partnership with the International Forum of National NGO/CSO Platforms (IFP), Transparency, Accountability and Participation (TAP) Network and Asia Partnership for Sustainable Development (APSD) with the NGO Federation of Nepal as a local host.

Trainees from the countries of India, Pakistan, Nepal, Bhutan, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka underwent the training on SDG 16 and SDG 17 . Apart from them, there were few trainees from

Latvia, Zambia, Slovakia, Nigeria and Senegal as a regional partnership solidarity. The trainees designed their country level indicators for monitoring SDG 16. The participants were also trained on framing national indicators on SDG 16 , based on the global indicators. During this training, the participant also prepared their draft Guidelines and Timeline for CSO engagement in HLPF VNR 2017 country specific guidelines on VNR after intensive training on SDG 16 Mapping about Glocal Actors (GO, CSO and Multi-stake Holders (MSH)). Later the participants also did the country level strategic planning, which will be shared with with the wider civil society following GALA S. Asia.