


SUSTAINING INCLUSIVE GROWTH


PROFILE



Growth for All




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A close-up photograph of several people's hands stacked together in a circle, symbolizing teamwork and commitment. The individuals are wearing light blue and white business attire. One person's wrist is visible with a watch. The background is blurred, focusing attention on the hands.

**TOGETHER WE ARE COMMITTED
TOWARDS A SUSTAINABLE TOMORROW**



ABOUT US

We are a nonprofit, nongovernmental organisation, focused on local, regional economic and socially inclusive development. We perceive the overall growth as an important requirement for shared prosperity. Inclusive growth is achieved by growth that is sustained over decades, is broad-based across economic sectors, creates productive employment opportunities for a great majority of the country's working age population, and reduces poverty.

Inclusive growth is about both the pace and pattern of economic growth. Developing the art of thinking on the issues of growth shies away the prepackaged answers to the economy's and political concerns and develops a new development trajectory, which responds to the country's development challenges, as well as its needs.

Rethink and prioritise under the lenses of sustained and inclusive growth is the methodology under SIG offers its implementable solutions.



OUR VISION

**Our vision is to help
build a new development
paradigm and better
policies for sustaining
inclusive growth.**



OUR MISSION

**Our Mission is to embrace
Dynamic Governance,
Exploitation of Economic
Opportunities and Regional
Integration, within a single
and coherent framework.**

**We aim to contribute
towards an inclusive growth
agenda, by becoming a real
partner to all our policy
stakeholders.**



OUR INSIGHTS

DYNAMIC GOVERNANCE

We promote dynamic governance as the heart of development

Governance involves two key and indivisible dimensions from each other. First, it refers to all aspects of how a nation is governed including institutions, policies, laws, rules, processes, and oversight mechanisms. The second dimension relates to culture, ideology and tradition.

Dynamism is characterised by new ideas, prioritisation, effective and rapid execution as well as continuous engagement. We strongly believe that Institutional Culture Improvement as well as Institutional and Organisational Capacity Building create the necessary synergy to have a dynamic governance and this is what we are aiming to contribute towards.

OUR INSIGHTS

Rules

Governance

Mission

Ethics

Decisions

Committees

DYNAMIC GOVERNANCE

Our Topics:

Influencing perception of institutions: How a nation perceives its position in the world, how it articulates its goals, and how it uses values of trust and principles among its decision-making process. It is our/their understanding and institutional culture that acts as a filter to perceive and interpret events and developments that may have implications in our future. Under this line of reasoning, our programs focus on developing, changing or influencing the art of thinking over the above perceptions, towards various actors, whose thoughts have an impact on the decision making process.

Addressing the concerns: The capacity and the ability to identify the issues to be addressed, to learn from others' experiences, and to reflect on decisions made by designing policies that effectively respond to change. We believe that building strong institutional capacities will enable policy implementation and take proper action on the right moment.

Offer Solutions: Our services are designed to offer implementable and realistic solutions and suggest to our stakeholders to use the same capabilities of thinking ahead, thinking again and thinking across to examine cultural foundations of governance.



INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

**Economic opportunities are exploited
by being open minded and inclusive**

Experience has shown that any country, despite its size, is divided into two worlds, those being the rich and the poor. Greater is the difference between these two worlds, more undeveloped will remain a nation.

Under these terms, SIG focuses on enhancing the business climate, market reforms and promotion of the entrepreneurship culture, in order to become a partner in transforming the economy gap into a place where everyone can do business easily.



OUR INSIGHTS

INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

Our Topics:

Market reforms: SIG works on projects, whose aim is: Reforming the market by exploiting the private sector's potentials, reducing non tariffs trade barriers between countries in the region and incentivizing foreign investment.

Working extensively with stakeholders, the government, private sector and donors helps us to design and promote policies that empower the country's economy and the government in sustaining economic opportunities for everyone

Improving business climate: SIG supports the private sector, focusing on improving the business climate by identifying the main barriers that hinder their growth and development. We contribute towards building the necessary partnerships between government, business and civil society by organizing mutual working groups at local and international level, to address issues that businesses face.

SIG identifies initiatives that best promotes an entrepreneurial mindset, especially amongst young people; disadvantaged groups, or promotes social enterprise through small and medium-sized enterprises. We aim to stimulate a culture that encourages creativity, innovation and risk acceptance.



OUR INSIGHTS

FACILITATING REGIONAL INTEGRATION

Let's develop together. The future belongs to the regional economies.

The increasing interdependence among nations of the world in the 21st Century implies that no nation of the world is self-sustaining or capable of living in complete isolation from the rest of the world. It is certainly valuable to have a clear vision of what regional integration should ultimately mean in a sub-region, but experience also strongly suggests that it would be wise to move forward in a pragmatic, gradual fashion, by building blocks and with timetables and targets that are credible and realistic. This is exactly what SIG's objectives are about, introducing the way to build these timetables and set targets to be reached. There are many different paths that can be taken to achieve these objectives, and every country's path will be different given the distinctive nature of national economies and political systems.

Let's develop together. The future belongs to the regional economies SIG aims to develop the theory and practical guides of the process of integration, whose reflection is carried out in many levels and disciplines, such as economic integration, social, cultural, political one. Integration is seen as a phenomenon with multiple dimensions and shapes and also as a process and the product of this process.



OUR INSIGHTS

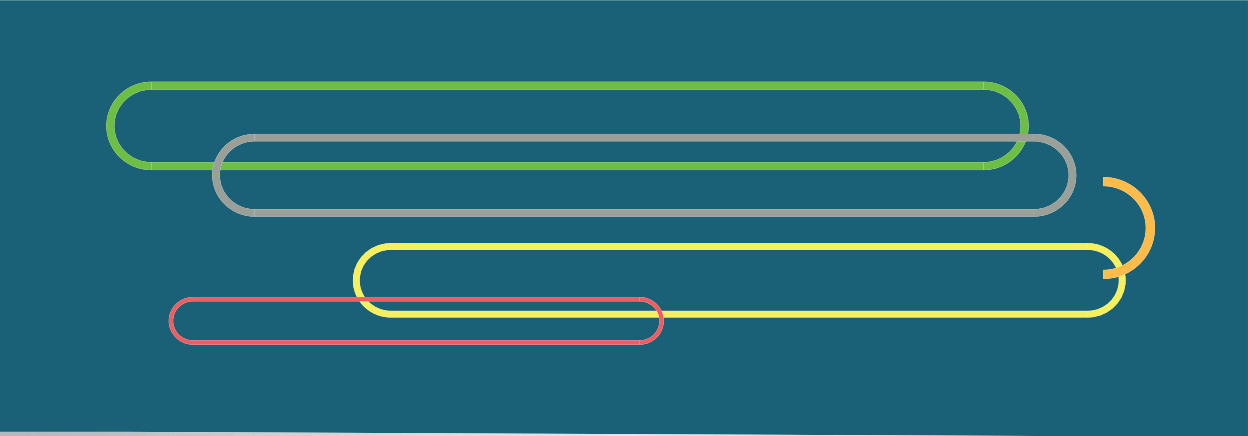
FACILITATING REGIONAL INTEGRATION

Our Topics:

Research and analysis: SIG aims to serve as a focal point on issues related to regional integration policies, with the purpose of generating the data needed to formulate effective policies. SIG provides research-based and pragmatic policy advice on this regard. It tackles the main obstacles to the integration of thirdcountry nationals, and then presents examples of good practices in tackling these obstacles at the local and regional levels.

Co-Existence: SIG works on analysis and commentary related to projects that promote co-existence and counter-extremism, seen under the spectrum of security in the region, as an important component of the regional integration. Education and Youth, counter extremism, conflict and geopolitics and radicalization are topics which SIG will aim to deliver and work on

School/academy of politics: SIG is also a focal point, where important political personalities, as well as well known experts from Albania and worldwide participates in the events, training sessions projects and analysis organized by SIG. These events' function is to take a stand on issues relating to integration policies, provide critical policy support as well as research-based, practically oriented recommendations. They provide the general public with objective and politically impartial information about social and political developments in Albania and the region. In this way, it strives to add new impulses to the public debate on integration of Albanian into the Balkans as well as Europe Union.



**We want something new so
we stopped doing something old**



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DIGITAL ENVIRONMENT DEVELOPMENT

We offer sustainable solutions to boost the digitalization in the society

Digitization refers to the use of **digital technologies to change a business model** and provide new opportunities for income and value production.

Automation, big data and artificial intelligence enabled by the application of digital technologies are influencing the world economy today.

New trends in digitization are developing and can change local economies, as the trend that involved the digital nomads workers all around the world.

Not enough also companies know how to translate the **use of technologies into economic impact**, and how to build a new incremental business.

But digitization offers **new possibilities to organizations to add value** through innovative, automated and online solutions.

It is no coincidence that the most developed economies in Europe are also those with the highest digitization indexes in the country.

Nations and a country's economic system need to compete in a digital environment: Connectivity, Human Capital, Use of Internet, Integration of Digital Technology, Digital Public Services.

What SIG does is to **develop the digitally enabled environment and solutions** for the benefit of the society: policy makers, businesses, communities and individuals.

DIGITAL ENVIRONMENT DEVELOPMENT

OUR TOPICS:

Research and analysis: SIG promote research and experimentation in all areas of application of the Internet and the new digital technologies.

Advice on the Digitalization Roadmaps: SIG offer strategic consulting services for the development of digital transformation programmes. SIG propose consultancy on digitalisation of the public and private sectors, e-commerce, digital payment, digital hub activities and innovation, revenues, players, impact on the national economy, training and digital skills.

Offer Solutions: Services are designed to offer implementable and realistic solutions. With the collaboration of specialized collaborators and international partners, we can help country that want to promote digital transformation and implement digital project to be competitive **IG**.

New trend: SIG studies the digital trends to create new possibilities for organizations and companies to be part of the digital transformation and promote concrete projects of business. SIG promote this topics in his activities, thanks to the collaboration with international partners with expertise in digital.