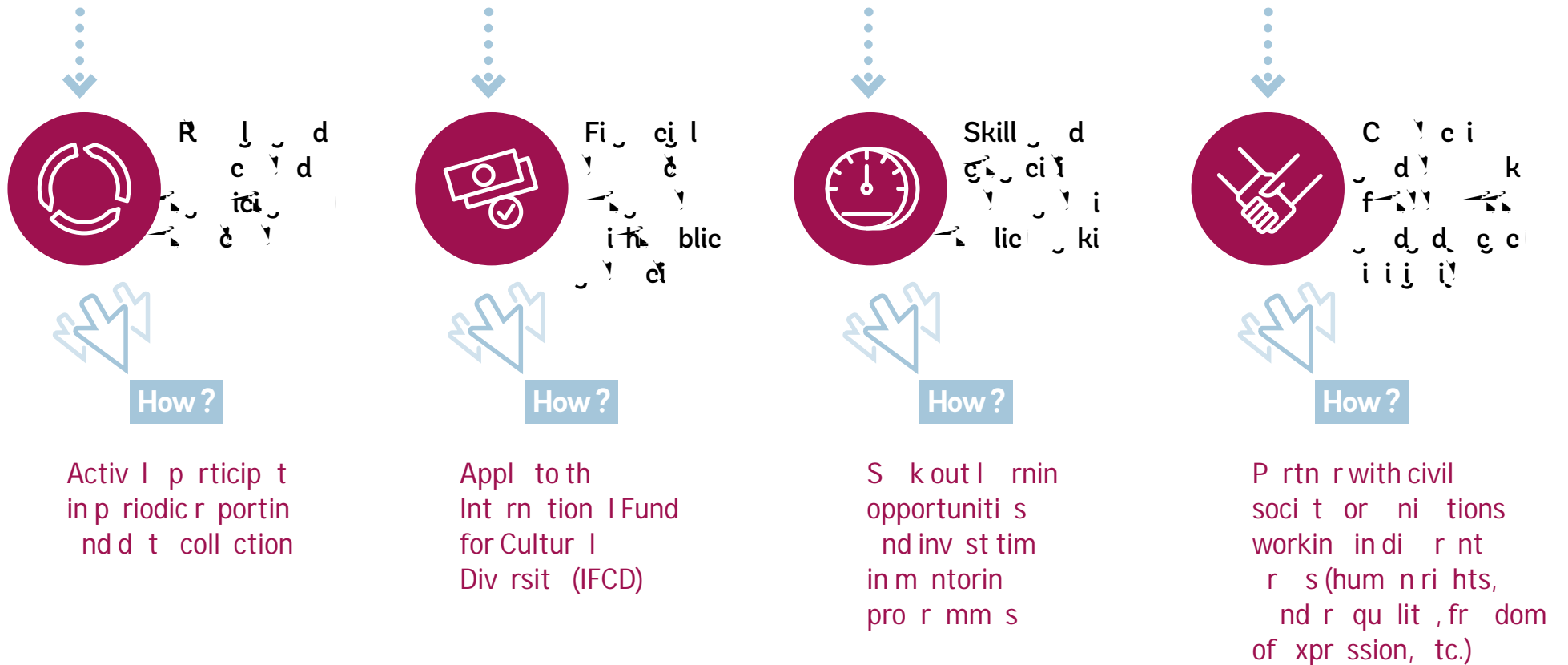# Partnering
with
Civil
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Strong civil society

MONITORING
CIVIL SOCIETY PARTNERSHIPS
WITH THE 2005 CONVENTION

For sustainable systems of governance, CSOs need:

Reliable and credible statistics

How?
Actively participate
in periodic reporting
and data collection

Financial resources invested in public structures

How?
Apply to the
International Fund
for Cultural
Diversity (IFCD)

Skilled and engaged civil society in policy making

How?
Seek out learning
opportunities
and invest time
in mentoring
programmes

Capacity and network for cross-sector and cross-border dialogue and collaboration

How?
Partner with civil
society organizations
working in different
areas (human rights,
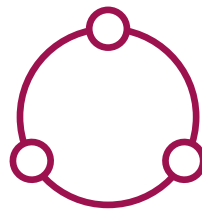gender equality, freedom
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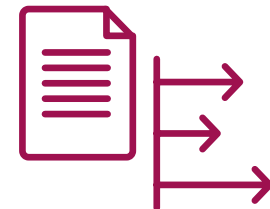
What CSOs are doing around the world

Advocacy

Through their advocacy work,
the Chile Coalition for Cultural
Diversity ensured that a cultural
clause was written into Chile's
trade agreements. Their advocacy
campaign included meetings
with civil society organizations,
declarations, media statements
and a letter-writing campaign that
resulted in over 500 signatures
from creative professionals.

Collaboration

The Austrian Working Group on
Cultural Diversity (ARGE) is a
'network of networks', funded by
the Federal Ministry for Education,
Arts and Culture, that includes
associations, unions, academic,
institutions and artists. It provides
a unique forum for continuous
dialogue and exchange between civil
society representatives and public
authorities from all Ministries on
matters relating to the Convention.

Monitoring

CSOs from across Indonesia and
national authorities were brought
together to elaborate Indonesia's
periodic report on the implementation
of the 2005 Convention. Recognizing
the value of participatory spaces for
policy discussion, formulation and
monitoring, a new working group on
cultural statistics was then set up by
the Ministry of Education and Culture
to monitor the state of Indonesia's
culture sector.