

Switzerland

and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

Over two decades of partnership between Switzerland and the Global Fund have played an important role in the fight against AIDS, tuberculosis (TB) and malaria and in building a healthier and more equitable world.

Ending AIDS, TB and malaria

Health investments through the Global Fund have saved 70 million lives since 2002.



25.6 million

people on antiretroviral therapy for HIV in 2024



7.4 million

people treated for TB in 2024



162 million

mosquito nets distributed in 2024

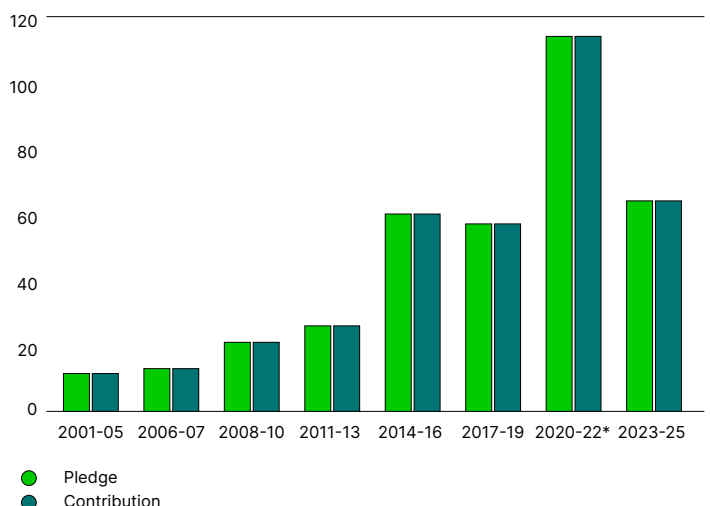
Our partnership

Switzerland has supported the Global Fund since 2002, contributing a total of US\$343.3 million. In September 2025 the Federal Council earmarked an additional CHF 64 million for the Global Fund over the 2026-2028 period, confirming the country's commitment to combat the three diseases and strengthen health systems. Switzerland shares a seat on the Global Fund Board with Canada and Australia. With its robust, thematic and diplomatic skills and experience, Switzerland plays a pivotal role in shaping strategic decisions.

International Geneva and the Global Fund

The Global Fund, hosted by Switzerland and headquartered at the Global Health Campus, is a major contributor to International Geneva. Through close collaboration with global health partners, the Global Fund helps to achieve more impact and unity across the global health landscape, reinforcing Geneva's reputation as a global center of expertise for health.

Switzerland's pledges and contributions to the Global Fund (in CHF)



*In 2021, Switzerland allocated CHF 50 million to the Global Fund's COVID-19 Response Mechanism as part of a CHF 300 million pledge to the Access to COVID-19 Tools Accelerator.

Priority areas of our partnership

Reaching the most vulnerable populations to leave no one behind

Across multiple countries the Global Fund partnership has to overcome immense challenges while striving to ensure the most vulnerable get the health services they need.

These challenging operating environments (COEs) – 32 countries, primarily in sub-Saharan Africa – host less than 14% of the world's population, but account for 30% of the global disease burden for HIV, TB and malaria. Since 2002, the Global Fund has disbursed approximately US\$24 billion – in both long-term investments and emergency funding – to COEs, including some countries facing the worst humanitarian crises.

We also support the Humanitarian-Development-Peace Nexus to ensure strong cooperation, collaboration and coordination between humanitarian, development and peacebuilding efforts in the countries where we invest.

Strengthening health and community systems

The Global Fund is the world's largest multilateral provider of grants for strengthening systems for health. Over the 2024-2026 period, we are investing approximately US\$6.1 billion in formal and community health systems. Community health systems are designed, led and organized by communities themselves to address local needs and reach the most marginalized and vulnerable people with equitable and high-quality services.

Universal health coverage

In low- and middle-income countries, the best way to achieve universal health coverage (UHC) is by finishing the unfinished fights against preventable, treatable diseases like HIV, TB and malaria. Turbocharging the fight against these three diseases will unlock the triple benefits of saving millions more lives while simultaneously building more resilient, equitable and sustainable health systems that can help us achieve UHC.

Promoting gender equality, health equity and human rights

The Global Fund invests in human rights and gender-responsive programs that aim to break down barriers to accessing lifesaving health care. The Global Fund's Breaking Down Barriers initiative provides financial and technical support to 24 countries (14 of which are in sub-Saharan Africa) to tackle human rights-related and gender-related barriers to HIV, TB and malaria

services. In Mozambique for example, TB community outreach workers and peer educators receive training on defending basic human rights and work with paralegals to monitor and address human rights violations against people affected by TB.

Addressing the determinants of health and drivers of pandemics

The Global Fund is gravely concerned about the disproportionate effect of climate-related disasters and environmental degradation on the health and well-being of the most vulnerable communities. We are striving to implement innovative ways to address, mitigate and adapt to the effects of the changing climate on the programs we support. Seventy-one percent of Global Fund resources support the 50 most climate-vulnerable countries.

Improving women's health by supporting adolescent girls and young women

Adolescent girls and young women are a key focus of the Global Fund's HIV response. In 2024, 2 million adolescent girls and young women in Global Fund-supported countries accessed HIV prevention services. Among these, a total of 1.28 million adolescent girls and young women were reached with HIV prevention services across 12 priority countries: Botswana, Eswatini, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Tanzania (United Republic), Uganda, Zambia and Zimbabwe. The Global Fund also invests in interventions to transform cultural and social norms that perpetuate gender inequality and increase HIV vulnerability.

How Swiss expertise is powering health system transformation

Switzerland is a global leader in health innovation, with its private sector playing a critical role in advancing sustainable, high-impact solutions for global health challenges. Swiss companies are not only at the forefront of medical research and diagnostics, but are also contributing strategic expertise to strengthen health systems in low- and middle-income countries. Through partnerships that emphasize efficiency, sustainability and long-term impact, Swiss industry is helping to build resilient health care infrastructure in the fight against AIDS, TB and malaria.

Roche: Strengthening laboratory systems and sustainability

Roche, a Swiss health care leader, is partnering with the Global Fund to enhance in-country diagnostic capacity and promote sustainable health care practices. This in-kind partnership

focuses on three areas: integrated laboratory networks, health care waste management and emergency assistance.

Roche is providing technical assistance to optimize laboratory systems and sample transport networks, with the goal of increasing diagnostic efficiency and reducing operational costs. Since 2023, Roche Diagnostics has been lending its consulting and technical expertise to support Eswatini's national efforts to centralize and manage over 80% of its health care waste. This initiative aims to reduce the environmental impact of health care operations and contribute to a lower carbon footprint, aligning with broader goals of sustainability and climate resilience.

Over the 2023-2025 period, Roche has also pledged US\$600,000 to the Global Fund's Emergency Fund, with a specific focus on responding to climate-related emergencies. In 2025, Roche proudly renewed its commitment to the Global Fund in support of the Eighth Replenishment (2026-2028) with an in-kind contribution of US\$1 million in technical assistance. This support will help drive improvements across the diagnostic ecosystem – from integration and digital tools to sample transport, governance and business planning.

This renewed commitment will continue our joint work to advance sustainable health care waste management, sharing best practices and supporting affordable, eco-friendly solutions that protect both people and the planet.

Novartis: Driving digital health transformation in Africa

Backed by Novartis and the Patrick J. McGovern Foundation as anchor funding partners and implemented in collaboration with the Global Fund, HealthTech Hub Africa is accelerating the digital transformation of health systems across the continent. Based in Kigali, this pan-African platform supports governments in scaling AI and digital health innovations that align with national priorities and address systemic challenges in health care delivery.

HealthTech Hub Africa's integrated model – spanning innovation validation, policy alignment and investment readiness – has supported over 200 startups, catalyzing more than US\$30 million in follow-on investment, creating 2,000+ jobs, and reaching over 6 million people. In 2024 alone, these ventures generated 931 new jobs, many focused on frontline health delivery and tech enablement. With Novartis and the Patrick J. McGovern Foundation

providing critical funding, HealthTech Hub Africa has become a trusted partner in deploying impactful solutions. These include an AI-powered TB screening tool now approved for national use in Tanzania, a predictive analytics platform for HIV services under validation with a national health authority, and a teleradiology solution with U.S. FDA clearance expanding globally.

Central to HealthTech Hub Africa's success is its Standards and Interoperability Lab, which ensures digital tools meet global data standards and integrate seamlessly into fragmented health systems. Complementing this is a policy and investment arm that developed a digital health blueprint and coordinates interagency collaboration across 15 countries.

Together, Novartis and the Global Fund are enabling HealthTech Hub Africa to bridge innovation and policy – ensuring that digital health solutions are not only technologically sound but also institutionally viable, scalable and transformative for public health in Africa.

Vestergaard and Syngenta are playing pivotal roles in supporting the Global Fund's mission to end malaria through innovation, strategic partnerships and sustainable solutions.

Vestergaard

Vestergaard is a key supplier of dual active ingredient (dual AI) insecticide-

treated nets, which are more effective against insecticide-resistant mosquitoes than standard nets. Through the Global Fund's Revolving Facility, Vestergaard has helped make these advanced nets more affordable and accessible, enabling countries to scale up their malaria prevention efforts within existing budgets.

This partnership has accelerated the rollout of dual AI nets across Africa, which promises a significant progress in reducing malaria cases and deaths. Vestergaard's commitment to innovation and equitable access is helping ensure that even the most vulnerable communities receive effective protection.

Syngenta

Syngenta contributes to malaria control through its vector control portfolio. Syngenta also supports indoor residual spraying (IRS) programs, container recycling initiatives, and community training, demonstrating a holistic approach to public health and environmental sustainability. Their ongoing R&D and partnerships with national malaria programs help ensure that innovative tools reach the communities that need them most.

Together, Vestergaard and Syngenta exemplify how private sector innovation and collaboration in Switzerland can drive progress toward a malaria-free world.

The Swiss Tropical Public Health Institute: Improving health outcomes by leveraging Swiss expertise and resources

Since 2010, the Global Fund has invested US\$131 million in the Swiss Tropical and Public Health Institute (STPH), a key provider of Local Fund Agent (LFA) services. The LFA is a key part of the Global Fund's risk management and performance-based funding model. As such, STPH plays a critical role in ensuring grants are effectively designed, implemented and monitored.

Working closely with Country Teams, STPH offers independent assessments, reviews, and strategic recommendations throughout the grant lifecycle – from initial design to performance evaluation. Their insights help optimize implementation arrangements and ensure accountability.

STPH currently supports 13 country portfolios as an LFA, primarily across Africa – including Burkina Faso, Burundi, Chad, The Gambia, Guinea, Liberia, Mali, Namibia, Niger, São Tomé & Príncipe, Senegal, and the Multicountry Middle East Response grant. In Chad, for example, STPH provides direct support on grant and risk management, while also offering critical contextual analysis that informs staffing, program decisions, and resource allocation. Their deep regional expertise helps navigate complex political environments and enhances the impact of Global Fund investments.



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Cameroon: Women leading the fight against malaria

The fight against malaria depends on frontline health workers – most of whom are women. In Cameroon, where all 27 million people are at risk, midwife Emily Itondo provides pregnant women with malaria prevention tools. Nurse Danielle Ekoto (left) leads the rollout of the RTS,S vaccine for infants. Community health workers support families with care, referrals and education. Their dedication shows how strong, community-based health systems are essential to defeating malaria. Investing in these systems ensures that lifesaving innovations reach those who need them most – especially in the hardest-hit regions.

About the Global Fund

The Global Fund is a worldwide partnership to defeat HIV, TB and malaria and ensure a healthier, safer, more equitable future for all. We raise and invest up to US\$5 billion a year to fight the deadliest infectious diseases, challenge the injustice that fuels them, and strengthen health systems and pandemic preparedness in more than 100 of the hardest hit countries. We unite world leaders, communities, civil society, health workers and the private sector to find solutions that have the most impact, and we take them to scale worldwide. Since 2002, the Global Fund partnership has saved 70 million lives.