



The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and malaria

About

The Global Fund (GF) was founded in 2002 in Geneva as an independent non-profit foundation whose purpose is to raise, manage and invest funds to combat AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria. The GF is governed by a board composed of representatives from governments, non-governmental organisations, affected communities, the private sector and private foundations. The GF is a leading multilateral provider of grants to strengthen health systems in low- and middle-income countries, as well as a principal supplier of medical products and a driver of innovation.

It disburses USD 5 billion a year to support programmes in countries and communities most in need. Being mainly a financial institution and not an implementing entity, it has no country presence and works instead through collaboration with country-based partners.

Strategic Priorities

The Global Fund's 2023-28 strategy aims to accelerate efforts to eliminate AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria by 2030, while ensuring better and more equitable health for all, in line with Sustainable Development Goal 3 (Good Health and well-being). It focuses on four main areas:

- People-centred integrated systems for health
- Engagement and leadership of affected communities to leave no one behind
- Maximising health equity, gender equality and human rights
- Mobilising increased resources

The Global Fund also emphasises the need to strengthen pandemic preparedness and response based on lessons learnt from COVID-19.

Key Results and Challenges

Since its creation in 2002, the Global Fund has saved 70 million lives, reducing the combined death rate from AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria by 63%. The GF provides 26% of total funding for HIV/AIDS programmes, 73% for tuberculosis and 59% for malaria, and 99% of its budget is allocated to programmatic operations. Moreover, the Global Fund's investments in health systems enabled an effective COVID-19 response, making it the main provider of non-vaccine COVID-19 tools to low- and middle-income countries. In 2023, programmes in Global Fund invested countries had fully recovered from the disruption caused by COVID-19.

FACTS & FIGURES

Type of organisations

International partnership

Head of organisation

Peter Sands

Headquarters

GENEVA (Switzerland)

Country offices

NONE

Total personnel

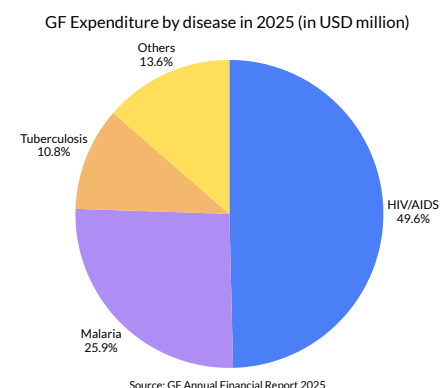
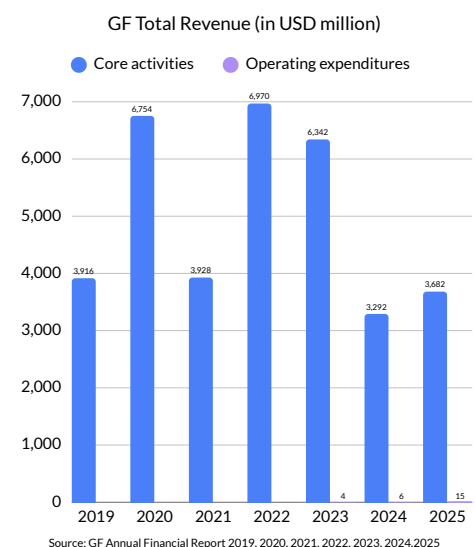
Approx. 1,100.

Established in

2002

Steering

Executive board composed of 28 seats
(10 donors, 10 implementers and 8 non-voting members)





Farida Sonia Tiemtore, president of Les Heroines du Faso, facilitates an educational session in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. © The Global Fund / Olympia de Mais

Switzerland's Strategic Priorities

Switzerland has supported the **Global Fund** since its creation in 2002, contributing CHF 366.5 million to date and an additional CHF 50 million to the Global Fund's COVID-19 Response Mechanism. Sharing a seat on the board with Canada and Australia, Switzerland plays a crucial role in shaping strategic decisions.

For the 2026-28 period, Switzerland's priorities are:

- Reinforce countries and communities, especially the highest burden/lowest income contexts, to regain and sustain progress in the fight against HIV, tuberculosis and malaria.
- Ensure essential programmatic interventions, qualitative prioritisation, transition planning and financial optimisation.
- Foster greater alignment with other global health initiatives and greater efficiency by increasing clarity on roles and resources commitments and by reinforcing accountability.
- Strengthen risk management, ethical behaviour and governance for improved organisational effectiveness and efficiency.

Cooperation at country level

At the country level, the interaction between the SDC's multilateral health partners and the Global Fund is founded on complementary roles. For instance, while the Global Fund focuses on mobilising and investing resources in programmes targeting AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis, the P4H Global Network for Social Health Protection and Health Financing, with its multilateral founding members the WHO, ILO and World Bank, supports low- and middle-income countries in strengthening health systems and advancing universal health coverage. The Global Fund addresses immediate needs, and P4H ensures that those initiatives contribute to sustainable, resilient and equitable health financing systems.

International Geneva and the Global Fund

The Global Fund is based at the Global Health Campus in Geneva. This location fosters strategic collaborations with Unitaids, Gavi, RBM, and the Stop TB Partnership, as well as UNAIDS and the WHO, which are also nearby. By promoting synergies, the Global Fund plays an important role as an agent of cohesion and contributes to Geneva's reputation as a leading global health expertise hub.

SWITZERLAND & THE GLOBAL FUND

Pledges for 2026-28

CHF 64 million (RANK 17)

Total contributed (in August 2025)

CHF 366.5 million

Contribution to the COVID Response Mechanism in 2021

CHF 50 million

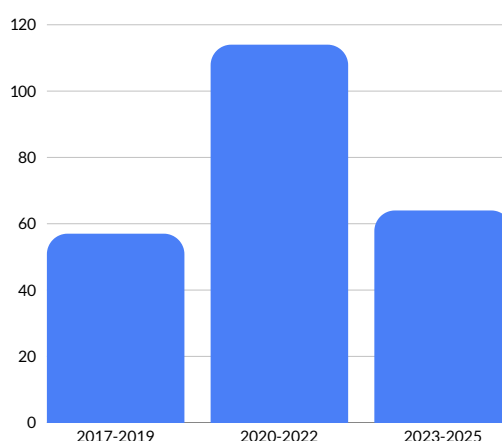
Number of Swiss staff

111

Involved Swiss government entities

SDC (Thematic Cooperation, Health and Food Section), Swiss mission in Geneva (MiGE)

Swiss Contributions 2023-25 (in CHF million)



UKRAINE: MAINTAINING LIFESAVING SERVICES DURING THE WAR

The Global Fund's investments in Ukraine benefit from long-standing support from Switzerland for reforming the Ukrainian health sector. Since 2003, over USD 1 billion has been invested in the fight against HIV and tuberculosis. Between 2022 and 2023, USD 27.7 million was allocated in emergency funding, with an additional USD 165.5 million for 2024-26. The Global Fund also allocated USD 135.7 million for 2021-23, USD 54.5 million for COVID-19, and USD 28 million to adapt grants to current needs. It continues to collaborate with partners to ensure access to lifesaving services amid the ongoing conflict.

