

Agenda Item: Chair's and DG's progress report

What we were, we are.
What we had, we have.
A conjoined past imperishably present.
So when you walk the wood where once we walked together
And scan in vain the dappled bank beside you for my shadow,
Or pause where we always did upon the hill to gaze across the land,
And spotting something, reach by habit for my hand,
And finding none, feel sorrow start to steal upon you,
Be still.
Close your eyes.
Breathe.
Listen for my footfall in your heart.
I am not gone but merely walk within you

Nicholas Evans (from "If I Be the First of Us to Die").
To the memory of Neville van Sittert,
our wonderful 'Risk & Assurance' director
who passed away at the end of January

The environment remains challenging, with the covid pandemic not quite gone, the continuing war in Ukraine and its impact on food and energy prices and, for many, post covid austerity measures already biting hard. On top of it all, the tragic earthquake that has devastated Syria and Türkiye.

Three months after our General Assembly in Bogota it still feels like we have a wave of enthusiasm and support across the Federation that we cannot miss. Much effort has gone into re-alignment of the Secretariat (specific paper presented for discussion) and planning support to help member associations refocus their own strategies and work.

Unfortunately, the world didn't stop while we came up for air after the GA and recharged to start the year at full strength. We are only 40 days into 2023 and have already had to develop three **stream 3 proposals**:

- Support to enable our new collaborative partner in Haiti, ASFH¹, to respond to acute violence in one affected district (Croix des Bouquets) in Port-au-Prince. ASFH will provide technical support to 4 health facilities and support 3 mobile clinics, targeting IDPs and host communities providing direct care: clinical management of rape, syndromic management of STIs and contraception. ASFH will refer for: ARVs/HIV services, EmONC and abortion.
- Syria: Two of the clinics of the Syrian Family Planning Association were damaged by the earthquake but all staff have been accounted for. Within 24 hours of the earthquake the SFPA

¹ ASFH, [Association des Sages-Femmes d'Haïti](#)

responded by assisting in the evacuation process, getting people to safety. A proposal has been supported to operate 10 mobile health clinics in the areas most affected by the earthquake.

- Türkiye: We do not have an MA but had prioritised the country for expansion. Two partners have been identified in Türkiye to enhance access to life-saving SRHR care. Proposals are in development at the time of writing.

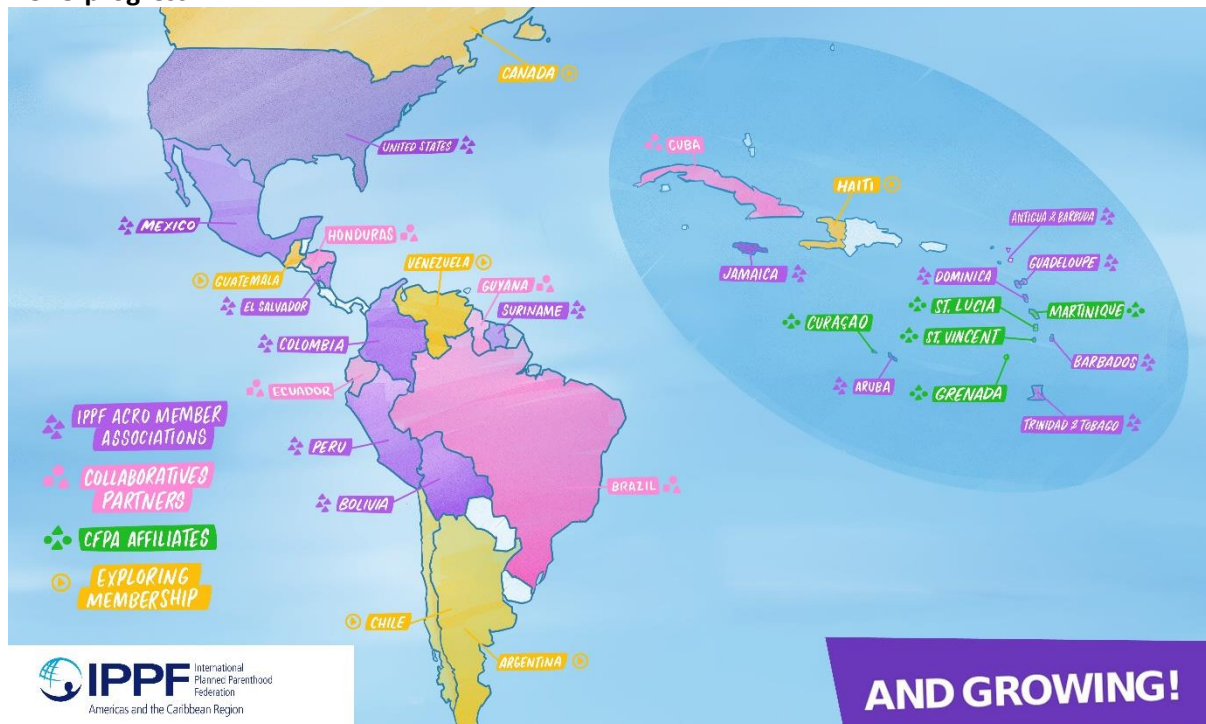
The individual giving team has launched an emergency fundraising appeal to help raise much-needed funds for Syria and Türkiye.

In addition, it is worth reporting that the Japanese Supplementary Budget projects (humanitarian funding) have kicked off with MAs in Ethiopia, Afghanistan, Pakistan and Ukraine – marking an expanded geographic investment by Japan across the Federation for humanitarian work.

While responding to these crises the work to ensure we start adjusting to the new strategy continues. We are progressing the results framework and held an important meeting to revise our **Integrated Package of Essential Services (IPES)** to incorporate priorities in the new strategy. IPPF's IPES promotes service provision for the most pressing sexual and reproductive health needs of the people, placing our clients at the very centre of everything we do. Following the revision, they include eight essential services: Sexual health and well-being counselling (sex, sexuality, menstrual health), contraception, abortion care, STIs/RTIs, HIV, obstetrics and gynaecology, fertility support, sexual and gender-based violence.

Progress has also continued in terms of readjusting our **footprint**, particularly in the Americas following the separation of WHRO. The map below shows the huge progress made:

ACRO progress.



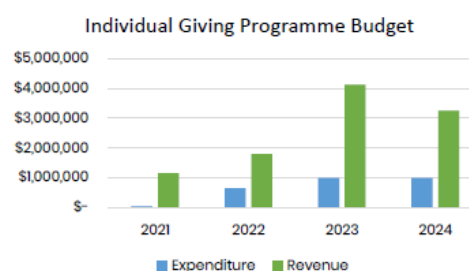
But it has not just been the Americas and Caribbean, in Africa: South Africa and Zimbabwe and Angola and Liberia to come, in ESEAOR Marshall Islands, and in Europe UK and Türkiye.

We completed the pilot-testing of the Secretariat Accountability Mechanism (SAM) with a sample of 18 MAs. In addition to providing helpful feedback on the methodology and questionnaire, the responses from the selected MAs give preliminary insights on Secretariat's added value and recommendations to strengthen areas such as capacity sharing, sustainability, efficiency and transparency. SAM will be further refined based on the pilot and is scheduled to be rolled in the 2nd quarter of 2023.

You will see from the C-FAR report that we ended 2022 in a **strong financial position** (final 2022 audited accounts not yet available), providing a solid platform from which to launch strategy implementation in a very uncertain ODA environment. Much of our work during the second quarter will be focused on finalising the realignment and producing the 2023-2025 Secretariat plan and budget. In the meantime, we are operating well within the transition budget you approved last November.

The resource mobilisation environment remains very challenging with many of the OCDE DAC donors reducing ODA available either through austerity measures and/or greater allocations of Ukrainian refugees. In spite of this pressure Germany has announced greater than the budgeted support; FCDO on the other hand has further reduced the amount made available through WISH.

In 2022, individual giving secured approximately \$1.85 million, \$215,000 of which was restricted (a 62% increase over 2021). The year saw multiple six-figure gifts, a record number of new online donors, and a significant number of planned gifts. The year's final quarter focused on a dynamic year-end marketing campaign for small and mid-level donors and targeted outreach and solicitations of major donors. These activities represented more than 40% of IG's 2022 revenue.



2023 started nicely on this front with a planned gift of nearly USD 2M.

Much of Q1 2023 is also dedicated to the development of a new Global Income Generation Roadmap for 2023-2025 to ensure we can mobilize much needed funds to implement the new Strategy 2028.

The G7 Summit will be held in Japan in May this year and global health is one of the main issues on the agenda. IPPF attended the consultations with the G7 Health Working Group at the end of January where we re-iterated that health is a fundamental human right and SRHR is an integral part of UHC strategies with a focus on the needs of the most marginalized including those living in fragile, vulnerable, and conflict-affected settings. This engagement came just ahead of my visit to Japan in April where I will also attend the Global Conference of Parliamentarians on Population and Development Toward the 2023 G7 Hiroshima Summit (GCPPD2023).

Progress on the governance agenda includes the proposed work plan up to the next general assembly (2025) arising from its November 2022 meeting and the progress made by the NGC, also presented in a dedicated agenda item.