

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

SUMMARY



 A Palestinian girl watches from the top of a building the destruction of a residential tower bombed by Israeli warplanes in the west of Gaza City.

Médicos del Mundo España which is part of the International Network of Doctors of the World, is an independent association that pursues the compliance of the fundamental right to health and the enjoyment of a dignified life for anyone.

Our goals are:

- To provide help to victims of humanitarian crises caused by wars or natural disasters and to those people living in poverty in the less developed areas on the planet.
- To attend unprotected people from our social environment.

In addition to taking part in helping the population, we denounce the violations of human rights, especially the restrictions on access to healthcare.

MdM has a firm commitment towards the universalization of humanitarian medicine, conceiving access to health as a right for all people, regardless of origin, race, social or sexual status, or religion.

Throughout the year we have been

1,005 people associated (365 men and 640 women)

1,661 volunteers in Spain (344 men, 1,315 women and 2 with other identity)

26 European Solidarity Corps volunteers in the Sahrawi refugee camps, Bolivia, El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Mauritania, Senegal and Sierra Leone

69,077 loyal donors (31,138 men, 37,331 women and 608 unidentified and 1,423 collaborating entities)

1,322 hired staff I (498 men and 824 women)

HIRED STAFF

● **78** humanitarian staff (33 men and 45 women)

● **177** people working at the central headquarters (62 men and 115 women)

● **341** in regional offices (32 men and 309 women)

● **730** in countries where we are running international cooperation projects (374 men and 356 women)

ABOUT US



2023 has been a busy year. It is necessary to make some considerations that reflect, at the same time, several lines of organisational effort.

Firstly, everyone in our organisation, especially the regional offices, made a major management

effort, literally without precedent, to make definitive progress deploying of the **Social and Work Insertion of Women in Prostitution project (Plan Camino)**. This initiative has been consolidated in all the autonomous communities where Médicos del Mundo España has a regional office, as well as in La Rioja and Cantabria.

Secondly, on an **international level**, the year 2023 was marked by **emergencies and humanitarian crises** that have kept up the level of stress and effort in practically all the headquarters, so that, in addition to the effort referred to in the implementation of the Plan Camino, emergencies such as the **earthquake in Türkiye and Syria** were added at the beginning of February; the **earthquake in Morocco** in September, coinciding with the severe flooding in the north-east of Libya - an emergency to which we were unable to respond - and, finally, the explosion of violence, destruction, **violation of human rights and horror in the Gaza Strip**.

The emergencies have required the **mobilisation of additional efforts in all departments**, particularly in International Operations, but also in Communication and Advocacy, People, Economic-Financial Management, Recruitment and Logistics and Procurement, i.e. the entire head office has responded to a load of activity which, as the Report reflects, has been very high in quantitative terms but, at the same time, extremely demanding in terms of the urgency and intensity of the management, security and control processes necessarily linked to the activity.

It should be noted that the association's activity has coincided with internal organisational changes that have mainly affected the head office.

We can point out some milestones in the life of the Association that, for different reasons, mark pages to remember in the agenda of the year 2023:

- The presentation on 3 April of the **26th Luis Valtueña Humanitarian Photography Award**, an event that, without losing its emotional charge and for the internal memory of Médecins du Monde, is gaining in stature, media weight, legitimacy in the world of international photojournalism and recognition in the visual arts sector. In addition, 2023 was a special milestone with the exhibition of the prize-winning works at the Cervantes Institute in New York (October and November).

SUMMARY OF THE YEAR

- The approval of the **Strategic Plan 2023/2025** by the General Assembly, a plan that represents a new advance in the quality of the planning process as an instrument for the strategic management and continuous improvement of the organisation.
- **The 2nd Congress on Accessibility to Public Health Systems** was held in Almeria. A success in terms of participation, collective reflection and promotion of knowledge which, at the same time, demonstrates the organisation's organisational and collaborative capacity.
- The celebration in Madrid of the **Conference of the European Network against Female Genital Mutilation (End FGM)** which, under the title of **Good Practices and Challenges in the fight against FGM**, attracted the participation of dozens of activists from all over Europe belonging to 39 different organisations. It was a recognition of the systematic and rigorous work of our organisation in the fight against FGM and, at the same time, an award for the leadership of the FGM Group of Médecins du Monde in collaboration with the Department of State and Regional Programmes.

This summary of the report shows that we know how to adapt and respond in emergency situations as well as in complex crises; that we have taken on the **challenges of huge programmes**, while at the same time maintaining ourselves in places and projects where funding sources can be maintained with difficulty or with high levels of uncertainty because **Médecins del Mundo España does not compromise its effort and commitment.**

Pepe Fernández
President of Médecins del Mundo España





Since its beginnings in 1990, Médicos del Mundo Spain has been developing programmes in Spain aimed at vulnerable populations, providing social and health care from a rights-based, anthropological and gender perspective, and intervening in the social determinants of health.

The right to health is a fundamental and inalienable right of all people, regardless of their origin, migratory status, economic situation, or any other condition of vulnerability. Médicos del Mundo Spain works to guarantee the right to health, considered as physical, psychological and social well-being and not just the absence of illness, incorporating an anthropological, human rights and gender approach. It is committed to **universal health coverage that offers all people access to care, prevention and health promotion services**, while guaranteeing access to treatment and medicines regardless of their financial resources.

Throughout the year we have worked in the areas of:

STRENGTHENING THE NATIONAL HEALTH SYSTEM FOR THE ACCESS AND CARE OF VULNERABLE POPULATIONS

We defend universal public health care and are committed to universal health coverage that offers all people access to health care, prevention and promotion services, as well as to treatments and medicines, regardless of their financial resources. The **2nd Report on Barriers to the National Health System**

in vulnerable populations has been drawn up and the **2nd International Congress on Accessibility to Public Health Systems** has been organised at the University of Almeria in October 2023.

The activities carried out include, among others:

- Support in obtaining the health card.
- Information and training on access to health coverage, the use of the health system and the right to health, adapted to each case and regional regulations.
- Accompaniment and intercultural mediation actions to social and health services.
- Referrals to public social and healthcare resources and other entities.
- Psychosocial support interventions.
- Health interventions (access to medical prescriptions, health education, health promotion and prevention actions...).
- Training for professionals, contracted staff and the organisation's volunteers.

Our projects:

- Accessible
- Intervention National Plan on AIDS (PNS) and National Plan on Drugs (Plan Nacional de Drogas)
- SMAPS II

MIGRATIONS, DIVERSITY, COEXISTENCE AND HEALTH

Migrants suffer rights violations in access to health and suffer significant obstacles, such as discrimination in employment and access to housing, among others. In this context, efforts are made to contribute to the **elimination of stereotypes and prejudices**, as well as

IN SPAIN



to the promotion of diversity and coexistence that foster mutual respect, inclusion and social cohesion. These projects not only contribute to building a fairer and more egalitarian society, but also **recognise and value the cultural and human wealth that migrants bring to the community.**

To promote transformation and social justice, we work to generate critical awareness

and raise awareness of equal human rights, especially the right to health, as well as to unmask clichés, stereotypes and preconceived ideas about migrants and immigration.

Our projects:

- A World on the Move. A Matter of Rights
- Building professional capacities for the care of migrants at risk of social exclusion

Programmes in Spain



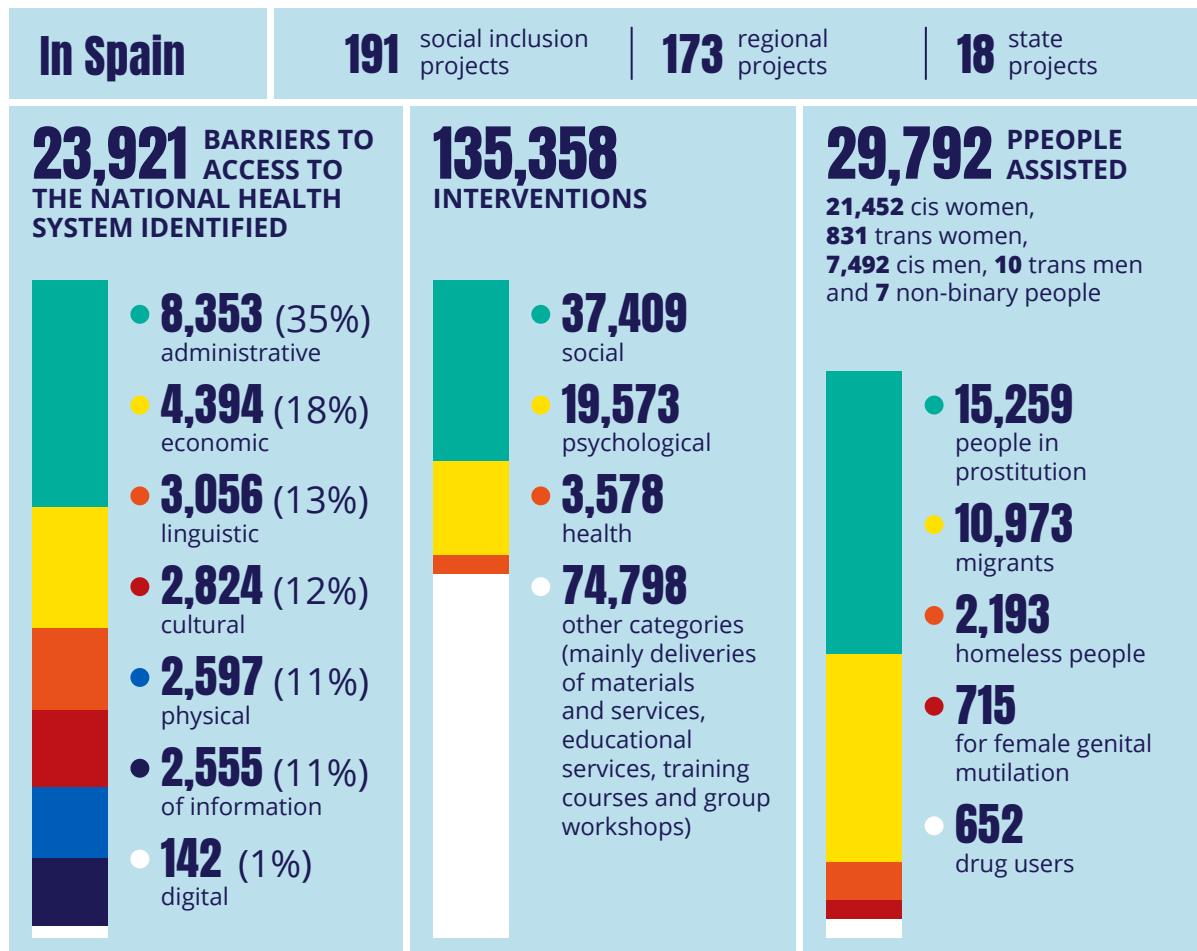
PROSTITUTION AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING FOR SEXUAL EXPLOITATION

For over 30 years, Médecins du Monde has been working through political advocacy, social awareness-raising, and intervention with rights-holders to contribute to the eradication of all forms of sexual exploitation, calling for the provision of real alternatives that enable survivors to leave the context of prostitution. The **Socio-labour Insertion Plan for women and girls victims of sexual exploitation, trafficking and in contexts of prostitution 2022-2026** consists of three programmes or development axes: the first one puts its focus on the **individualised and social integral recovery of women** to overcome the damage and after-effects produced by prostitution; the second

one aims to **facilitate and accompany women** in the **search for a job in the regulated market** and decent working conditions and the third one, aimed at **girls and adolescents who are in sheltered centres**, seeks to strengthen the protection system for the prevention of and response to sexual exploitation.

Our projects:

- Socio-labour Insertion Plan for Women and Girls Victims of Trafficking, Sexual Exploitation and Women in a Situation of Prostitution (2023-2026)
- Des-Activa. Workshops to discourage the demand for prostitution and prevent trafficking for the purpose of sexual exploitation
- Social action. Improvement of comprehensive care for women in prostitution from the social services





FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION AND OTHER GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

Female Genital Mutilation is a harmful cultural practice, carried out mainly in 30 countries in Africa and the Middle East, which violates the human rights of women and girls and has its roots in gender inequality, being immediate consequences of violence, but also its structural roots in gender inequality and traditional gender roles.

Our projects:

- Prevention of situations of gender-based violence in migrant women at risk or in a situation of social exclusion
- Gender ABC

HOMELESSNESS AND DRUG USE

We work with mobile and fixed devices in harm reduction, in the identification of vulnerabilities and the approach to public social and health services of illegal drug users and homeless people in a situation of social exclusion.

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2023 was marked by worsening global humanitarian crises. These included the continuation of the war in Ukraine and its medium- and long-term local and global consequences, including the food insecurity situation in much of Africa. This was compounded in October by the escalation of the conflict between Hamas and Israel in the Occupied Palestinian Territory, with a particularly exceptional and complicated situation, unprecedented in terms of violations of international humanitarian law and attacks on health workers in the Gaza Strip.

Conflicts in countries such as South Sudan, Sudan and Yemen continue, while in other countries such as Syria, which is coming from 10 years of acute humanitarian crisis, a recovery phase is beginning, despite the persistence of insecure areas and high requirements for humanitarian assistance. During 2023 we have once again observed the effects of the **migration crisis in Central America**, as a result of forced displacement and the impact of setbacks in migration and reception policies. The number of people seeking refuge in various parts of the world is only raising, as can be seen in the **migratory flows from the Sahel, Afghanistan and Iraq to Europe**, which have increased significantly.

In addition to these mainly man-made disasters, there has been an increase in natural disasters secondary to climate change, such as the floods in Libya

and hydrological and **climatological phenomena** in various parts of the world, as well as the serious earthquakes in Morocco and especially in Türkiye and Syria.

This critical situation calls for urgent and coordinated humanitarian responses to save lives, reduce suffering and protect victims, through medical assistance, psychosocial support, attention to basic needs and protection of the rights of affected populations. As a result, more and more funding is required to support more and more of the population that relies solely on humanitarian assistance. We cannot ignore the effect of this trend on forgotten crises, which sometimes only cover 5% of their needs.

ACHIEVEMENTS

During 2023 we have had a very intense level of activity, with very good results against the plan's indicators. We have offered primary health care consultations to 1,368,424 people, 231,809 women passed through our Sexual and Reproductive Health services and we have reached 2,370,588 people in Awareness and Education campaigns on the Right to Health. Finally, 67,324 people received mental health and psychosocial support.

With the aim of strengthening health systems we have improved 235 health infrastructures, 1,723 health professionals increased their knowledge and skills and

INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

we have contributed to 959,681 people having safe and equal access to public health infrastructures newly protected by MdM.

We have also **contributed to regulatory and/or legislative changes that improve the guarantee of the Right to Health**, achieving this in 26 initiatives.

In the fight against gender-based violence, sexual and other forms of violence, we have improved the knowledge of 303,766 people, supported 122 gender-based violence centres with equipment and collaborated with 117 civil society organisations to promote social and institutional change.

International Cooperation

123 projects

58 in Development Cooperation

65 in Humanitarian Action

117 associated national organizations

3,864,881 direct beneficiaries

10,480,630 indirect beneficiaries

18 countries or territories:

Afghanistan, Bolivia, Burkina Faso, Sahrawi refugee camps in Tindouf (Algeria), El Salvador, Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Mauritania, Morocco, Mozambique, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Syria, South Sudan, Occupied Palestinian Territory, Venezuela, Ukraine



© 2023 Malaria prevention campaign in Venezuela.

The International Network of Doctors of the World brings 17 organizations together to provide medical care to people in a vulnerable situation, wherever they may be.



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**INTERNATIONAL
NETWORK**

International Network

221 International programs
in **58** countries in Africa, America, Asia,
the Middle East and Europe

Geographic area	Countries	Projects
AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	10	54
AFRICA	23	99
ASIA	9	17
MIDDLE EAST	5	26
EUROPE	11	25
Total	58	221

189 National programs
in the **17** Doctors of the World
delegations

Geographic area	Countries	Projects
AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN	3	15
AFRICA	-	-
ASIA	1	1
MIDDLE EAST	-	-
EUROPE	13	173
Total	17	189



📷 February 2023.
Antakya earthquake,
Türkiye



INTERNATIONAL NETWORK

DOCTORS OF THE WORLD

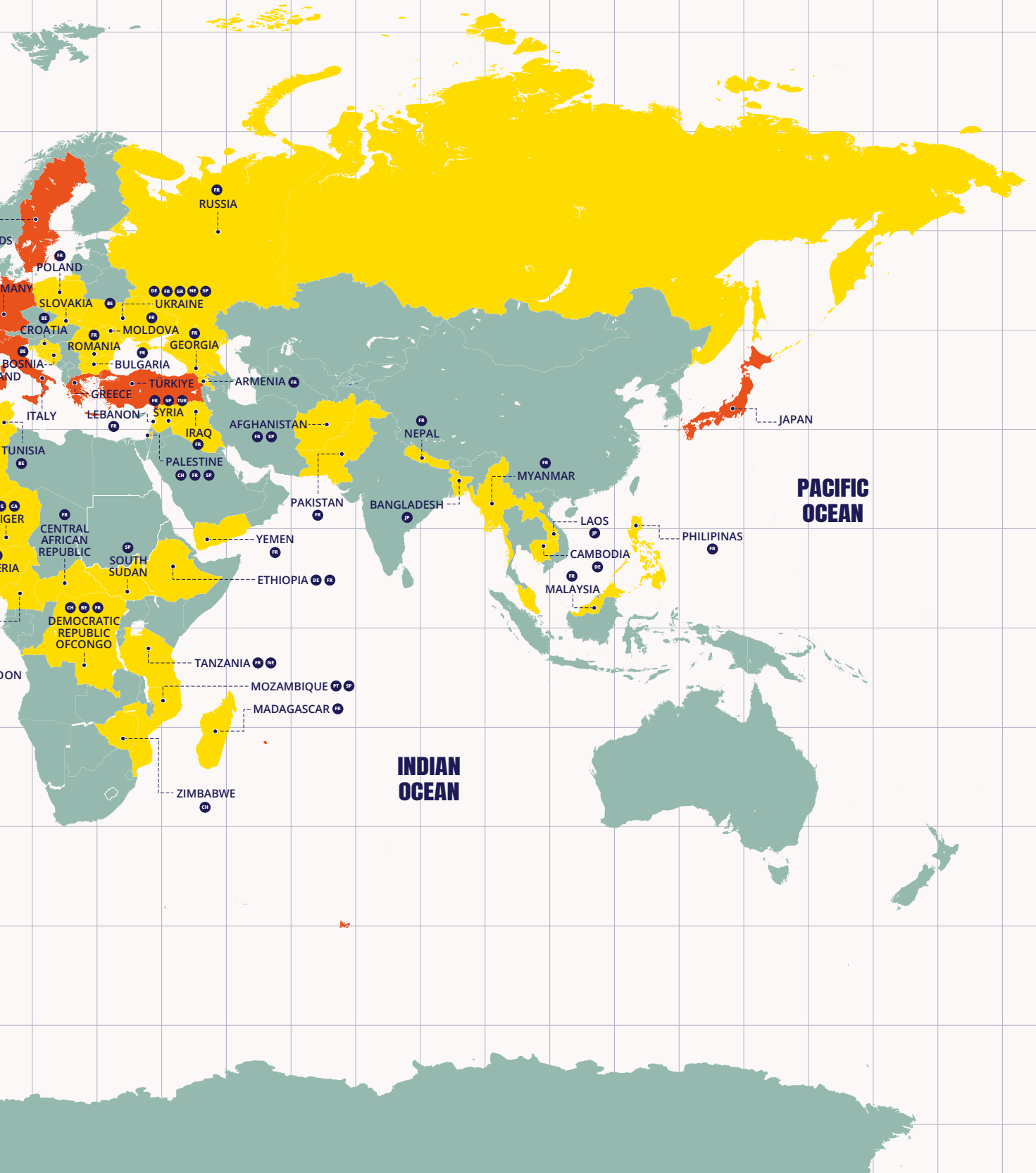


PACIFIC OCEAN

ATLANTIC OCEAN

●	MDM DOMESTIC PROJECTS
●	MDM INTERNATIONAL PROJECTS
AR	ARGENTINA
BE	BELGIUM
CA	CANADA
FR	FRANCE
DE	GERMANY
GR	GREECE
JP	JAPAN
PT	PORTUGAL
SP	SPAIN
CH	SWITZERLAND
NL	THE NETHERLANDS
TR	TÜRKIYE

WORLD NETWORK PROJECTS 2023



MÉDICOS DEL MUNDO ESPAÑA 2023 IN FIGURES

M€ = MILLIONS OF EUROS

HOW DO WE GET THE INCOME

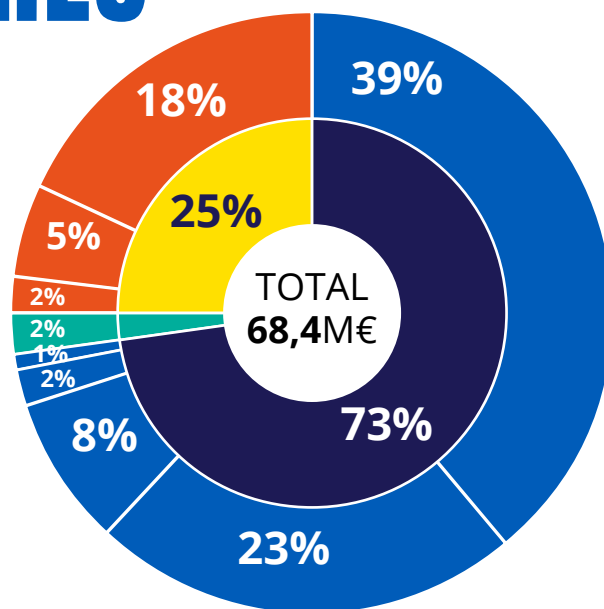
■ PUBLIC 50,2M€ (73%)

- 39% International **26,9M€**
- 23% Central administration **16,2M€**
- 8% Regional administration **5,4M€**
- 2% Town halls **1,2M€**
- 1% Provincial councils **0,5M€**

■ PRIVATE 17,1M€ (25%)

- 18% Partners and collaboratorss **12,2M€**
- 5% Private donations **3,3M€**
- 2% Grants from private entities **1,6M€**

■ FINANCIAL AND OTHERS 1,1M€ (2%)



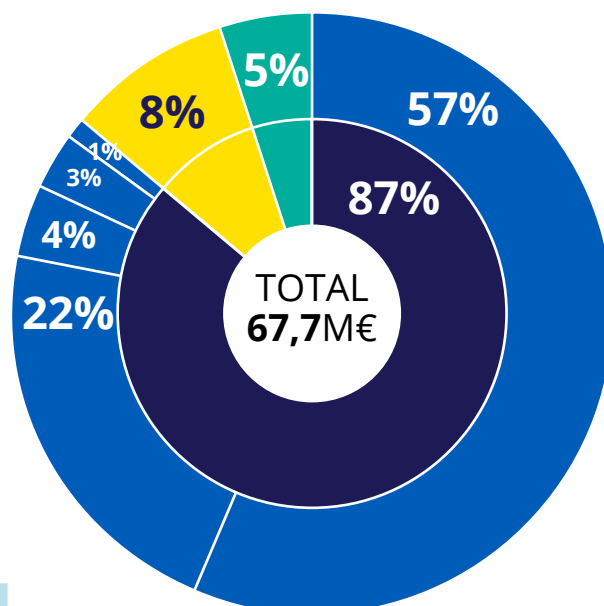
HOW WE USE OUR FUNDS

■ MISSION 59,0M€ (87%)

- 57% Development Cooperation and Humanitarian Action **38,6M€**
- 22% Social inclusion **14,7M€**
- 4% Associative development **2,7M€**
- 3% Transversalizacion advocacy and communication **2,2M€**
- 1% Education for social transformation **0,7M€**

■ FUNDRAISING 5,6M€ (8%)

■ ACTIVITY SUPPORT 3,0M€ (5%)



FINANCIAL REPORT

Your help can change lives

By supporting Médicos del Mundo España you are helping to improve health access for everyone, vulnerable, excluded, or victims of natural catastrophes, famines, diseases, armed conflicts, or political violence.

MAKE A DONATION

Help us in by making a regular or a temporary donation. You can do this by filling in the form at our website www.medicosdelmundo.org, by calling **91 567 86 01** or by sending an email to: ayuda@medicosdelmundo.org

INCLUDE US IN YOUR WILL

Make our world a fairer place. It is very probable that when you decide to do your will you have doubts or questions, that's why **we have legal advice that we put at your disposal without no commitment, free of charge and confidential.**

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BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Contribute to change unfair situations.

Medicos del Mundo is a voluntary organization, a place for action and participation where you can contribute to change a reality often unfair. **Volunteers train, mobilize, act, and transform to defend the rights of the most vulnerable people or those excluded from access to the public health system.** To become a volunteer, get in touch with your nearest office or send an email to voluntariado@medicosdelmundo.org

SPREAD THE WORD

You can also help us by **sharing the news of our campaigns** amongst your friends, subscribing to our newsletters or sending us your comments and suggestions. You can find us on **Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn and on our Youtube channel.**

We would love for you to become part of our community, will you join us?



You can check the complete memory at:
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HOW YOU CAN COLLABORATE



📷 Madrid, November 29, 2023. Spanish NGOs illuminate the center of Madrid with a message of a permanent ceasefire in Gaza and Israel. © Pedro Armestre

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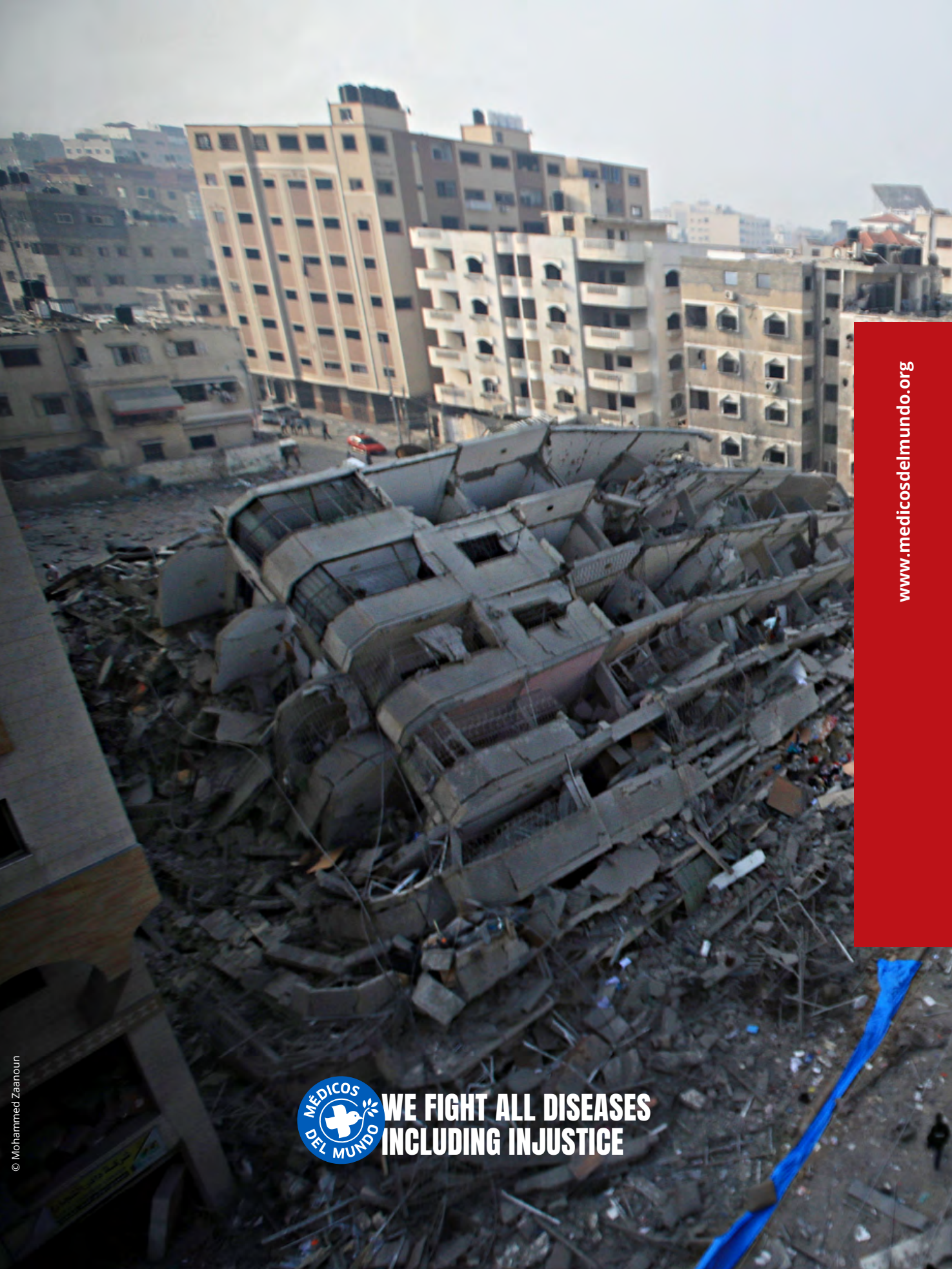
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