

Can the Paris Summit truly advance global health financing and equity?

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This week, President Emmanuel Macron is gathering world leaders in Paris to discuss a new Global Financing Pact to enhance international collaboration amid multiple crises that are threatening - if not reversing - progress towards the Sustainable Development Goals. We, members of the international solidarity community, specially mobilised for Global Health, are welcoming this initiative and calling on participants to send a strong message by making bold commitments to keep the world safer and healthier.

Expectations for the Summit are running high. As a matter of fact, despite Covid-19 no longer being considered a public health emergency, it remains a global threat. Moreover, the unpreparedness and global divide that was highlighted by the pandemic still remain to be addressed. Ongoing reforms of the global health ecosystem also need to be better supported to guarantee stronger equity in accessing health and wellbeing services and products. In addition, more resources are needed for health to genuinely become a global public good as well as to address the global challenge of pandemic preparedness and response. Mitigating and adapting to climate change will also be crucial for public health.

Even though the Paris Summit has been conceived as a milestone to advance discussions happening in other international fora, such a high-level gathering is an important opportunity to pave the way for solutions. Reforming Multilateral Development Banks to enhance their support to health systems strengthening, mobilising more concessional resources for health including by non-traditional donors, reallocating some of the Special Drawing Rights issued during the Covid-19 crisis to finance PPR, suspending debts for countries facing epidemic outbreaks, and implementing international innovative taxations and financing mechanisms to fund global health solidarity would be aligned with this Summit's mandate and have a considerable impact. The ambition stated during the Summit will need to be pursued afterward and civil society organisations need to be associated in the aftermath.

Since the beginning of his first term and especially during the Covid pandemic, Emmanuel Macron has been at the forefront of the need for more global health solidarity. From his hosting of the 2019 historically successful replenishment of the Global Fund to the launch of the Access to Covid Tools Accelerator and the initiative of sharing vaccine doses, his leadership has brought the world together for more collaboration. Nonetheless, after witnessing the slow progress

made for global health equity since the midst of the pandemic and the limited additional resources that were dedicated to fight the negative impact of Covid-19 on other health issues and PPR, there are growing concerns on the scope of the currently available political will for advancing global health financing and equity. We count on him and his fellow leaders to prove that the lessons that are claimed to be learned from the Covid pandemic are now turned into action.

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8. Afrique pour le Développement et la promotion Humaine de la Femme et de l'Enfant (ADEPHFE)
9. Aide Internationale pour le Développement Durable (AIDD)
10. Americas TB Coalition
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12. Appui Aux Initiatives De Développement Communautaire (AIDEC)
13. Armée des Jeunes contre le Paludisme de la RDC
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16. Association Afrique Vision
17. Association AJEMA
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20. Association des Enfants et Jeunes Travailleurs du Niger (AEJTN)
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22. Association Féminine Vision Positive (AFVIPO)
23. Association for Promotion of Sustainable Development
24. Association pour la promotion de la santé (APROS)
25. Association pour la promotion des albinos au Cameroun (APAC)

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27. Association Yemini Santé
28. AVAC
29. Better Life Youth Association
30. Caribbean Vulnerable Communities
31. Caritas et Communauté Arbre et Vie (CARICAV)
32. Centre for Environment, Human Rights & Development Forum (CEHRDF)
33. Cercle des Amis solidaire de Maroua (CASMA)
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63. Kitron Green Solutions
64. Legal Vision Organization (LEVO)
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68. Mothers Initiatives Africa
69. MULEIDE, Women Law and Development Association
70. Nigeria Network of People Who Use Drugs (NNPUD)
71. Nigerian Aid Group of Islam, JNI
72. One Health - Communication for Development in Action
73. Organisation de la Femme pour l'Islam sans Frontières
74. Organisation pour la Protection de l'Environnement et la Sauvegarde des Valeurs Traditionnelles OPESVaT
75. Organization for Rural Self-Help Initiatives
76. OSER Humanitaire
77. Plateforme des Fédérations des Personnes handicapées de Madagascar
78. Plateforme des ONG et Associations de lutte contre le Paludisme en République du Congo (POALP)
79. Plateforme des OSC pour la promotion de la Vaccination et le Renforcement du système de Santé au Cameroun (PROVARESSC)
80. Plateforme des réseaux et faitière de lutte contre le sida et les autres pandémies, Côte d'Ivoire
81. Plus de Sida dans les Familles
82. POWER, Providing opportunities for Women and Youths Empowerment and Rights
83. Princess of Africa Foundation
84. Program for Appropriate Technology in Health (PATH)
85. Public Health Update
86. Réseau de Développement des Femmes Pauvres (RDFP)
87. Réseau des Jeunes du Cameroun
88. Réseaux santé plus Niger
89. Results International, Australia
90. Results International, Canada
91. Revive Action Cameroon (REVACAM)
92. Rujewa Integrated Efforts to Fight Poverty (RIEFP)
93. Salamander Trust

94. Salud por Derecho
95. Santé et Action Globale
96. Solidarité pour l'encadrement et Lutte contre la pauvreté
97. Strategic Poverty Alleviation Systems (SPAS)
98. Sukaar Welfare Organization
99. TB Alert
100. TB Europe Coalition
101. The Health, Environment & Agriculture Development Program (HEADP), Nepal
102. The voice of Marginalized Community (TVMC)
103. Toi Du Monde Sénégal
104. UDYAMA
105. UMANDE
106. Union de Solidarité d'Aide au Développement Communautaire (USADEC)
107. Vertex of Hope Initiative
108. VINAGBE
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110. WACI Health
111. Women Coalition for Agenda 2030
112. Women Together Edu-Cultural Center
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114. Youth and Women for Change in Eswatini
115. Zéro Pauvre Afrique