

Annual Report 2023



STRENGTHENING THE FRONT LINES

Scaling Up Prevention
to End Violent Extremism



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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

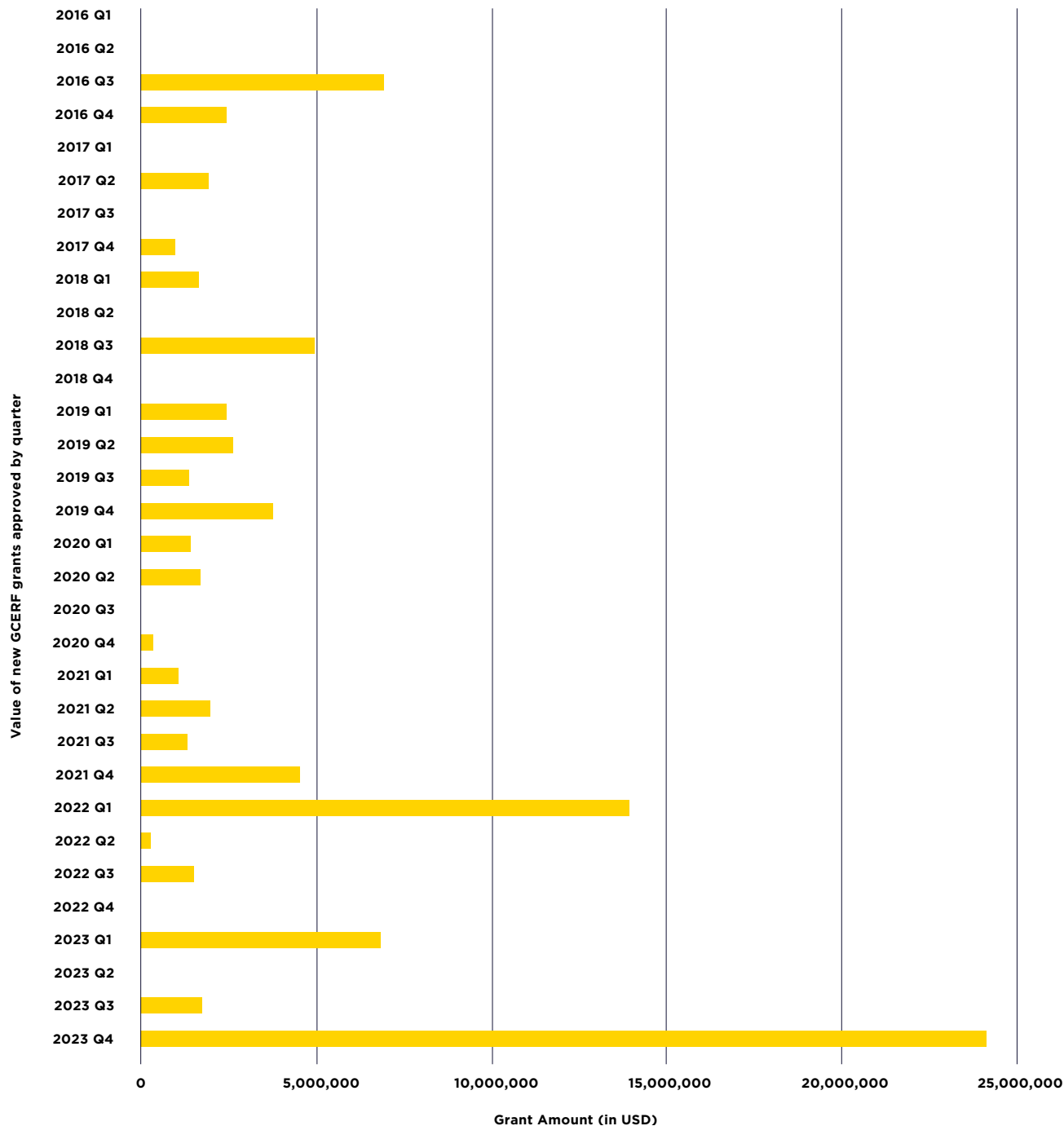


BY DR KHALID KOSER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF GCERF

Against the backdrop of increasing global volatility, 2023 was a year of exponential and strategic growth for GCERF. The organisation's partnerships with implementing countries expanded to include seven new countries: Chad, Ghana, Indonesia, Iraq, Kyrgyzstan, Mozambique, and Yemen, approved by GCERF's Governing Board in response to requests by these Governments to collaborate for prevention of violent extremism on their territories. The addition of Iraq, Yemen and Kyrgyzstan as partner countries also marked an important new chapter for GCERF, with the launch of investments by the global fund in the Middle East and Central Asia regions.

In parallel, global end-of-year indicators of the direct reach of funded programmes also grew very significantly, from 3.2 million to 3.8 million individuals reached by projects that GCERF supports. This equates to nearly 20% of the total number of direct beneficiaries since 2014, reached in a single year. Meanwhile, the global average cost of interventions supported by GCERF has decreased still further since 2022 from USD 39 per person, to just over USD 37 per person, illustrating that GCERF's model is continuously evolving to make invested funds go further.





Other important milestones were reached in 2023: GCERF crossed the threshold of more than 100 grants signed (increased to 117 grants) since beginning grant-making in 2016, just seven years ago. The final quarter of 2023 also saw the highest number and value of grants signed in a single quarter, through a redoubled effort by Secretariat staff to finalise USD 21.9 million in signed grant agreements in the final three months of the year.

As illustrated by the selection of programme examples showcased in this Annual Report, GCERF’s grantees continue to focus on areas of prevention that are key to fostering peace and tolerance, while also contributing to the Sustainable Development Goals. GCERF-funded projects continue, for example, to educate and create livelihood opportunities for women and youth, to mitigate the impact of climate change in hardest-hit settings with climate-smart agricultural practices, to foster inclusive governance through community engagement with government structures, to build critical thinking skills, and to rehabilitate and reintegrate former combatants and their families, among other diverse projects and aims.

Drawing on local insights and tailoring strategies to local needs, these projects are building peace, stability and resilience against violent extremist actors, often reaching settings where international partners have had little or no access.

In all regions, GCERF grantees are continuously proving their ability to deliver targeted and insight-driven programmes, channeling funds where they are needed most, with remarkable efficiency and cost-effectiveness. The GCERF Secretariat and leadership is honoured to support these partners and proud of their achievements.

SELECTED RESULTS ILLUSTRATING DIVERSE EFFORTS:



**358 local partners
funded in 22 countries**



**27 new grants signed and
59 grants under active
implementation in 2023.
Total grants signed
2014 - 2023: 117**



**Nearly 20 million (19.9)
indirect beneficiaries
reached in addition to
3.8 million reached directly**



**48% of beneficiaries are
women and girls**



**More than 35,000 religious
leaders engaged in conflict
resolution, peace advocacy,
critical thinking and
leadership skills sessions**



**More than 57,000
individuals reached
with livelihood and
employability-related
interventions**



**More than 100,000 who
were reached with projects
designed to create equal
access to opportunities**



**More than 400,000
participants reached with
cultural and sports activities
to build social cohesion and
prevent violent extremism**



**More than 585,000
individuals took part
in 7400 interfaith and
intercommunity dialogues,
consultations and
roundtable discussions**

2 GRANT INVESTMENT UPDATE



INVESTMENTS BY COUNTRY, NUMBER OF GRANTS, BENEFICIARIES AND LOCAL PARTNERS

Country	Total Investment to date (amounts shown factor in underspend of a subset of grants which have ended)	Total Grants	Active Grants	Direct Beneficiaries (Total)*	Percentage of women beneficiaries	Total Number of Local Partners (including Sub-Recipients)
Albania	3,175,072	4	2	12,134	66%	12
Bangladesh	10,237,325	9	2	1,432,084	46%	41
Bosnia and Herzegovina	740,000	1	1	640	47%	1
Burkina Faso	3,750,000	4	4	508,574	52%	10
Chad	1,655,000	2	2	0	NA	5
Ghana	350,034	1	1	0	NA	1
Iraq	2,999,980	3	3	0	NA	9
Kenya	10,121,572	13	4	682,588	48%	39
Kosovo	6,406,434	10	4	76,773	48%	25
Mali	10,229,057	13	3	304,661	46%	47
Mauritania	2,500,000	3	3	0	NA	10
Mozambique	2,500,000	3	3	0	NA	11
Niger	2,974,906	4	3	22,634	57%	11
Nigeria	12,544,286	11	3	510,086	48%	26
North Macedonia	1,300,000	2	2	8,081	53%	9
Philippines	9,577,799	16	7	207,096	52%	50
Somalia	4,882,309	5	4	7,221	43%	12
Sri Lanka	1,826,391	1	1	13,146	53%	14
Syria	475,346	1	1	0	NA	2
Tunisia	3,605,604	9	4	19,313	54%	16
Yemen	1,983,765	2	2	0	NA	7
Kyrgyzstan	NA	Forthcoming		0	NA	NA
Indonesia	NA	Forthcoming		0		NA

*O beneficiaries indicates grant activity starting after Jan 2024

MAP OF GLOBAL PVE INVESTMENTS AS OF END-2023

Year indicates partner country start date

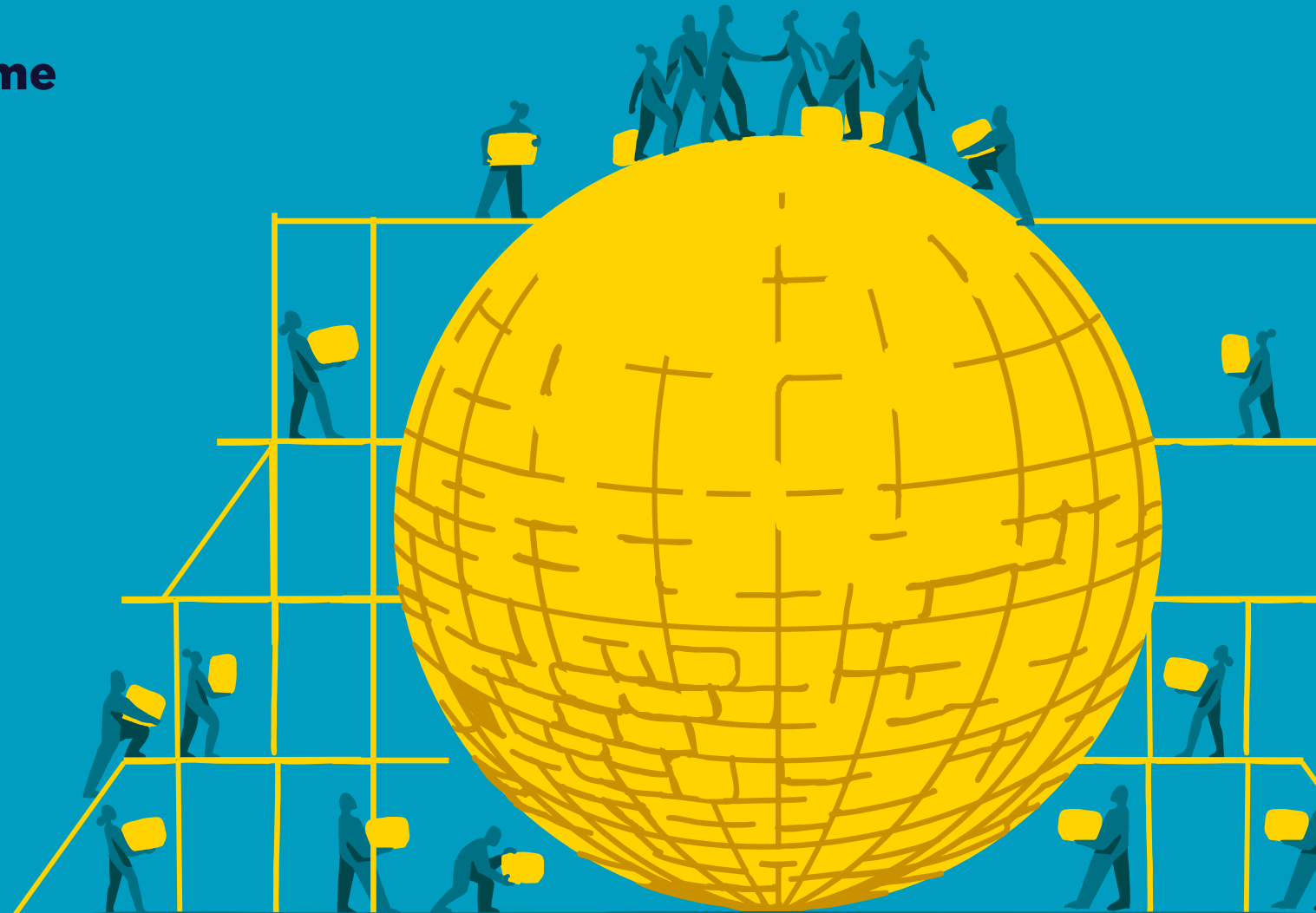
- 1**
ALBANIA 2020
4 grants (2 active)
\$3.1m committed
12 local partners
- 2**
BANGLADESH 2016
9 grants (2 active)
\$10.9m committed
41 local partners
- 3**
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA 2022
1 grant
\$0.7m committed
1 local partner
- 4**
BURKINA FASO 2021
4 grants
\$3.7m committed
10 local partners
- 5**
CHAD 2024
2 grants
\$1.6m committed
5 local partners
- 6**
GHANA 2023
1 grant
\$0.3m committed
1 local partner
- 7**
INDONESIA
Starting in 2024
- 8**
IRAQ 2024
3 grants
\$3m committed
9 local partners
- 9**
KENYA 2018
13 grants (4 active)
\$11.1m committed
39 local partners
- 10**
KOSOVO 2017
10 grants (4 active)
\$7.3 m committed
25 local partners
- 11**
KYRGYZSTAN
Starting in 2024
- 12**
MALI 2016
13 grants (3 active)
\$10.9m committed
47 local partners
- 13**
MAURITANIA 2023
3 grants
\$2.5m committed
10 local partners
- 14**
MOZAMBIQUE 2024
3 grants
\$2.5m committed
11 local partners
- 15**
NIGER 2022
4 grants (3 active)
\$3m committed
11 local partners
- 16**
NIGERIA 2016
11 grants (3 active)
\$13.7m committed
26 local partners
- 17**
NORTH MACEDONIA 2021
2 grants
\$1.3m committed
9 local partners
- 18**
SOMALIA 2021
5 grants (4 active)
\$4.6m committed
12 local partners
- 19**
SRI LANKA 2021
1 grant
\$1.8m committed
14 local partners
- 20**
AL-HAWL (SYRIA) 2024
1 grant
\$0.47m committed
2 iraq-based local partners
- 21**
THE PHILIPPINES 2019
16 grants (7 active)
\$10.1m committed
50 local partners
- 22**
TUNISIA 2019
9 grants (4 active)
\$3.8m committed
16 local partners
- 23**
YEMEN 2024
2 grants
\$1.9m committed
7 local partners



23 Countries **3.8m** Direct Beneficiaries **117** Grants Signed **358** Local Partners

3 GLOBAL PORTFOLIO OVERVIEW

Country programme examples*



*Does not reflect the full grant portfolio in each country: additional programmes are underway which are not highlighted in this Annual Report

ASIA PACIFIC



BANGLADESH

Preventing Extremism through Active Community Engagement (PEACE) Consortium

THEME:

Community agency and individual sense of purpose; Critical thinking and online vigilance to prevent violent extremism

PROGRAMME DATES:

July 2016 to June 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 2,209,301

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

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LOCATION(S):

Bholahat, Chapainawabganj Sadar, Gomastapur, Nachole, and Shibganj Upazilas in Chapai Nawabganj District; Dhaka City Corporation in Dhaka District; Khulna City Corporation in Khulna District; Rajshahi City Corporation in Rajshahi District; and Assasuni, Debhata, Kalaroa, Kaliganj, Satkhira Sadar, Shyamnagar, and Tala Upazilas (sub-districts) in Satkhira District.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

1,432,084

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

32

Violent extremism in Bangladesh has shifted towards online radicalisation and recruitment fuelled by sociopolitical factors such as the COVID-19 pandemic and regional conflicts. Islamic State (IS)-aligned groups have threatened attacks in Bangladesh, leveraging online propaganda to recruit sympathisers and incite violence against minorities and those with pluralistic views.

Young people constitute over one-third of the population and are particularly vulnerable to radicalisation due to socioeconomic frustrations.

The PEACE programme aims to empower young people as agents for change and peace and against radicalisation. Since 2016, PEACE has established 172 youth clubs (Peace Clubs), directly engaging 116,658 young people. As a result of efforts to ensure the sustainability of the project, 43 of these clubs have been registered with the government (to date). The Peace Clubs play a pivotal role in nurturing community engagement and resilience building, including through participation in community actions, dialogues, sports events, and cultural activities that aim to enhance critical thinking skills and promote positive narratives to counter violent extremism.

A total of 7,689 Peace Club members and community representatives have benefited directly from 336 capacity-development sessions providing essential skills and knowledge on leadership, digital literacy, and social media entrepreneurship, among other topics.

PEACE has facilitated numerous platforms for constructive engagement and collaboration among various stakeholders, including joint social action projects, dialogues with local and state authorities, and discussions on key issues such as online misinformation and electoral violence prevention. The 138 joint social actions engaged 60,898 individuals directly and contributed to the promotion of social cohesion and peacebuilding at the grassroots level.

In addition, 58 interfaith dialogues and advocacy initiatives have engaged more than 100 religious leaders and 607 representatives from state authorities and community organisations, resulting in commitments to initiatives supporting youth empowerment and resilience-building efforts.

Awareness-raising campaigns and advocacy initiatives have reached approximately 29,000 individuals directly, including through the development and dissemination of educational materials (such as leaflets and social media posts) and the organisation of peace rallies and signature campaigns. Peace Club members also organised 39 debate competitions between educational institutions, engaging 3,601 young people directly and reaching 9,686 community members.



THE PHILIPPINES

An expanded Peace Heroes Formation Program

THEME:

Inclusive local governance; transitional justice and peace education; rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2021 to December 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 749,996

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Teach Peace Build Peace Movement (TPBPM)

LOCATION(S):

Metro Manila: City of Taguig and Quezon City; Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM): Butig, Ditsaan-Ramain, Maguing, Marantao, Pagayawan, and Sultan Dimalondong in Lanao del Sur and Datu Salibo, Mamasapano, Shariff Aguak, and Shariff Saydona Mustapha in Maguindanao

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

207,096

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

19

12

A range of Violent Extremist Organisations (VEOs) operate across the Philippines, particularly in Mindanao and the Sulu Archipelago, where historical intercommunal grievances, weak governance, and socioeconomic disparities contribute to a fertile ground for extremism. Children and young people are disproportionately affected by Violent Extremism (VE): they are often vulnerable to recruitment due to traumatic experiences, and are exposed to violent ideologies both on- and offline.

Since 2021, the TPBPM Peace Heroes Formation Program has worked to nurture a culture of peace and to foster resilience, targeting children and young people as well as key adults in their lives (parents, education staff, and community leaders).

In 2023, the programme was expanded to include adults serving in security forces and local authority staff. TPBPM organised leadership and peaceful communication training sessions, benefiting a total of 144 representatives from security forces and local government units. A total of 90 government leaders completed the TPBPM Peace Education Leadership Formation Course, enhancing their capacities to undertake conflict transformation and inclusive governance.

TPBPM also continued their work providing peace education modules for children and young people, running Peace Hero Kids TV, and implementing modules for youth leadership and peaceful parenting. In 2023, they reached 325 children and young people through 64 peace education sessions and engaged ten youth organisations. The Youth Edition of the TPBPM Artist for Peace Mentoring Workshop provided training and mentorship opportunities for 34 young people. Meanwhile, modular peace education sessions for 50 parents focusing on peaceful parenting styles and understanding child behaviour improved communication and family relationships.

TPBPM provided aftercare support for returnees and members of socioeconomically disadvantaged groups, with training on peaceful conflict resolution and psychosocial support programmes. This included collaborative teaching/learning sessions with 14 male returnees and their partners, and 46 aftercare sessions for children and young people and their families in conflict-affected communities.



SRI LANKA

Empowering youth-led initiatives in PVE (EMPOWER)

THEME:

Social cohesion, sense of purpose, and livelihoods creation

PROGRAMME DATES:

March 2021 to December 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 1,826,391

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT (PR):

Helvetas Sri Lanka

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Asia Lanka Social Development Cooperation (ALSDC), SERVE, Peace Community Action (PCA), Group Action for Social Order (GAFSO), Women Resource Centre (WRC), Shanthi Maargam, Association of Mobilising Community Resources (AMCOR), The Local Initiatives for Tomorrow (LIFT), The Lanka Development Journalist Forum (LDJF), The Environment Protection and Scientific Exploration Organization (EPSEO)

LOCATIONS:

Ampara and Batticaloa Districts in Eastern Province; Colombo and Kalutara Districts in Western Province; Kandy district in Central Province; and Kurunegala district in North Western Province

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

13,146

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

33

GCERF has worked in Sri Lanka since 2020 following violent extremist attacks in 2019 and a surge in anti-Muslim sentiment. The COVID-19 pandemic precipitated an economic crisis, disproportionately affecting young people and marginalised and/or rural communities and leading to widespread violent protests in 2022.

EMPOWER focuses on unemployed and underemployed youth, students in secondary schools and tertiary institutions, and others disenfranchised from mainstream culture. Activities include promoting social cohesion through interreligious dialogues, engaging role models, and empowering young people to lead reconciliation efforts. EMPOWER also aims to enhance a sense of purpose among young people by encouraging critical thinking and countering hate speech, thereby reducing the risk of radicalisation.

The programme focus was expanded in mid-2023 to include livelihoods support. The new comprehensive approach aims to address multifaceted challenges, including economic instability, social unrest, and threats of violent extremism, with a focus on empowering marginalised communities, developing trust between young people and the government, and promoting inclusive governance.

Since 2022, over 100 activities have been implemented across the country by 13 subrecipients under the PR Helvetas Sri Lanka. Examples in 2023 included:

- Inter-religious dialogues, training sessions, and capacity-building workshops reaching 477 youth participants and 36 religious leaders
- Workshops and training sessions on PVE and hate speech for 144 stakeholders
- Training workshops and consultations on peacebuilding attended by 800 young people

- Workshops on conflict management and PVE reaching 1,481 participants
- Personal and skills development programmes for 40 young people
- Art-based therapy workshops and anti-racism training sessions
- Residential workshops and career guidance sessions for 143 young people
- Training and forum theatre programmes for 116 people
- Training programmes and job market networking events reaching 360 young people

Across the activities, stakeholder meetings, workshops, orientation sessions, and training workshops also engaged 183 government officials.

As a measure of return on investment for these programme activities, a 2023 midline survey of Helvetas' EMPOWER programme, using the Building Resilience Against Violent Extremism (BRAVE) questionnaire, revealed an increase in intercommunal trust and acceptance among young people. Those surveyed increasingly reject the cultural norm of using violence as a means to dominate.



EAST AND HORN OF AFRICA



KENYA

Ideological Push-back of Violent Extremism in Kenya (IDPB)

THEME:

Engaging with religious leadership and communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

June 2023 – March 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 230,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

The Center for Sustainable Conflict Resolution (CSCR)

LOCATION(S):

Counties of Garissa, Isiolo, Kilifi, Lamu, Mandera, Marsabit, Mombasa, Nairobi, and Wajir

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

682,588

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

18

Whilst larger attacks have occurred less regularly in recent years, smaller-scale incidents and attacks remain frequent in coastal and north-eastern Kenya, areas that have historically been considered hotspots for radicalisation and recruitment activities in Kenya. Violent Extremist Organisations (VEOs) have increasingly adapted their approach by recruiting outside these geographic areas and the ‘traditional’ demographic of young men. Violent Extremism (VE) is driven by many factors, including perceived marginalisation among religious and ethnic minority groups; youth unemployment; and systemic distrust between security actors and citizens. The impacts of climate change have also increased the number of internally displaced and food-insecure people, who are vulnerable to radicalisation and recruitment by VEOs that may be able to offer financial incentives.

The CSCR IDPB project enables religious and community leaders to take more robust measures to prevent and counter radicalisation and violent extremism. In 2023, CSCR conducted three training workshops for religious leaders; engaged with the media; established a mentorship programme; organised seminars for young people and

children; and delivered Juma Khutbas (Friday sermons). Thanks to these activities, CSCR has enhanced the capacity of over 100 emerging and established religious and community leaders.

The CSCR also developed an online observatory for building peaceful and resilient communities, using participatory methods including focus group discussions and an interfaith roundtable. The observatory will serve as a framework for continuous and sustainable dialogue, coordination and learning for faith leaders. It is the first online observatory that seeks to respond to ideological misconceptions created by violent extremists and provide analysis of religious texts that have been misinterpreted and/or misused to radicalise people into violent extremism.

CSCR has also joined, and will work with, a new GCERF-funded consortium led by the Centre for Human Rights and Policy Studies (CHRIPS) that focuses on support networks for the rehabilitation and reintegration of former members of VEOs.



SOMALIA

Somali Wellness and Economic Recovery Consortium (SWERC)

THEME:

Creating livelihoods to help (re)build peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2022 – June 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 1,300,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Horn of Africa Peace Network (HAPEN)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Iftiin Foundation, Integrated Development Focus (IDF), and M2A

LOCATION:

Beled Hawo and Kismayo, Jubaland

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

7221

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

7

16

The main contributing factors to risk of violent extremism (VE) in Somalia include lack of economic opportunities for young people, competition over resources exacerbated by extreme weather events, and indoctrination campaigns by groups like al-Shabaab drive violent extremism in Somalia.

GCERF-supported initiatives help to destigmatise mental health and trauma therapy; create alternative narratives; and support a robust and inclusive civil society. The programmes also offer vocational support and access to trauma therapy, promoting critical thinking skills and increased knowledge of civic duties and governance.

The SWERC programme focuses on strengthening the support networks for children and young people aged 12 to 35. It works with mental health paraprofessionals, madrasa and public-school teachers, business owners, community leaders, and the wider communities of Beled Hawo and Kismayo. SWERC has scaled up a mental health programme for youth and engaged communities to increase acceptance and support for at-risk young people.

SWERC has also established a business network and expanded training and financial support for members to enhance their ability and willingness to hire vulnerable young people from their communities. For example, a three-day job fair in Beled Hawo in August 2023 linked job seekers and potential employers. The first day focused specifically on creating networking opportunities for mental health paraprofessional counsellors in the SWERC project area, with active participation from both employers and candidates (35 men and ten women). In order to ensure that women would be comfortable and that employers would prioritise hiring women, 72 young women then attended a women-only day, while 108 young men attended a men-only day.

The programme has helped young people to secure jobs and provided them with practical skills and tools. It also provides mental health support to manage their expectations, foster positive coping mechanisms, and equip them with the emotional resilience to navigate the challenging economic landscape.



Civic empowerment for young people and women

Critical thinking and online vigilance to prevent violent extremism; Gender-equal programming to reach and empower women and girls

Beled Hawa Women for Peace and Development aimed to address the marginalisation of young people along the Kenya-Somalia border, where conflicts over scarce resources are exacerbated by the misinterpretation of Islam by extremist groups and the exclusion of youth from decision-making processes. Violent extremists take advantage of a lack of knowledge and of a sense of purpose and agency, and of their marginalisation, to recruit young people.

The programme focused on improving knowledge among young people and women of their civic rights and responsibilities and about decision-making processes; organising community dialogues to change attitudes towards youth participation among community leaders and families; and creating associations that drive youth participation and empowerment in the civic space.

During its lifespan, the programme trained 300 young people on their civic rights and responsibilities and 300

women on their political rights, gender equality, and participation in decision-making. It conducted ten town hall meetings with a total of 600 participants and trained 30 women and girls on advocacy. By the end of the programme, 75% of project participants showed changes in attitudes, and women and young women from the target communities ran for inclusion in the Golaa Guurtida (House of Elders).

Third-party monitoring conducted in early 2023 indicated that the civic education training was particularly valued by beneficiaries in rural areas, who reported learning about their responsibilities when participating in governance processes. The exercise also found that participants appreciated the inclusion of youth and women in local leadership positions. Women in particular welcomed the improved and more equal interactions between young people and adults, valuing the opportunities for communicating with and understanding young men.

PROGRAMME DATES:
January 2021 – July 2023

FUNDING COMMITMENT:
USD 500,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:
Beled Hawa Women for Peace and Development

LOCATION(S):
Gedo region, Jubaland.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:
7221

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:
7



THE SAHEL AND WEST AFRICA



BURKINA FASO

Projet de Renforcement de l'Entente et de la Prévention de l'Extrémisme Violent (PREPEV) / Project to Strengthen Understanding and Prevent Violent Extremism

THEME:

Building resilience to climate impact

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2023 – December 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 500,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Réseau de Communication sur le Pastoralisme (RECOPA)

LOCATION(S):

Torodi and Wendou in the town of Dori; Aliakoum and Deyberi in Gorom-Gorom; Ganzourgou and Niessega in Gourcy; Goinré and Toessin in Ouahigouya; and Kolbila and Taonso in Yako

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

508,574

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

1

In Burkina Faso, violent extremist groups are exploiting the political context to strengthen their presence. Conflicts between farmers and herders over land, access, and scarce natural resources increase tensions within and between communities. A lack of sustainable economic opportunities make children and young people particularly vulnerable to radicalisation and to violent extremist groups. RECOPA aims to reduce inter-community conflict and to support vulnerable young people and women by facilitating access to socioeconomic opportunities.

Ten “dialogue spaces” set up in the project’s five target communes help to raise awareness among host populations and Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) of the need for better management of public infrastructure and the promotion of cultural values. The 70 members of the dialogue spaces held 172 facilitation sessions for 1420 participants (including 426 women). Five community watch networks have been established, with 19 men and six women collecting information (including on the location and condition of natural resources) at 120 weekly meetings to facilitate decision-making and anticipate, manage, and monitor potential conflicts.

The combined action of the dialogue spaces and community watch networks have meant that public property and natural resources are better managed by the target communities and inter-community conflicts have reduced. For example, the villages involved in the project have persuaded agropastoralists to withdraw from beyond agreed boundaries, while property owners have given up areas of land for agro-sylvo-pastoral activities.

RECOPA also helped 300 vulnerable displaced agropastoralists (168 women and 132 men) to obtain national identity cards. The cards enable people to pass through checkpoints set up by National Defence and Security Forces and provide access to social support. Having a card also helps restore dignity and confidence

in relation to the host community and other IDPs and reinforces a sense of national belonging.

Thanks to the mentorship support provided during 217 weekly meetings held by six Village Savings and Credit Groups, 180 women have become more financially independent, more fulfilled, and more supportive of each other.



BURKINA FASO

Protecting children at risk and child survivors of violence to help prevent violent extremism

THEME:

Psychosocial support to children and survivors of violent extremist activity

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2023 – June 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 600,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Association Keoogo

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Centre pour la Qualité du Droit et la Justice (CQDJ) and Association des Jeunes pour le Bien-être Familial (AJBF)

LOCATION(S):

Arbollé, Bassé, Gompoussom, Gourcy, Grand-Samba, Ouahigouya, Kirsi, Téma-Bokin, Tougo, and Yako in Nord Region; Djibo, Dori, Gorom-Gorom, and Sebba in Sahel Region

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

508,574

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

1

20

Providing education and other support to children at risk and/or survivors of violence helps facilitate their social reintegration and prevent radicalisation and involvement in violent extremist groups. The Keoogo programme aims to strengthen systems to protect these children through: education provided by youth workers, teachers, and Qur'anic masters; the establishment of formal channels for children to voice their complaints and vulnerabilities; and supporting the social protection system to provide specific services for these children.

A total of 97 vulnerable children (57 girls and 40 boys) have been enrolled in school. To date, 1,972 homeless, disabled, or unprotected children (1,284 boys and 688 girls) – including 256 pupils of Qur'anic schools – acquired personal and social skills during 57 educational sessions. These skills help them to become more resilient in the face of potentially radicalising messages and dynamics and to protect themselves from recruitment. Five clubs for street

children have been established and supported to organise 33 awareness-raising and self-protection sessions for 1,538 children (868 boys and 670 girls). Thanks to their success, many children who are not formally part of the programme (particularly internally displaced children) also voluntarily attend sessions.

A long-term objective of the children's clubs is to encourage members to help identify and report cases of violence against their peers. Two child complaint systems have been set up (one in each Region) to support this goal.

Three community child-protection networks (RCPE) can now identify and refer children at risk or survivors of terrorism in Djibo, Gorom-Gorom, and Sebba, with 101 vulnerable children (50 girls and 51 boys) identified. Of these, 18 children (7 girls and 11 boys) showing signs of psychological trauma following terrorist attacks were referred for and received psychosocial support.



MALI

Kaoural (peace): Promoting women and young leaders within community conflict-management mechanisms to prevent violent extremism and radicalism in Mopti Cercle

THEME:

Gender-equal programming to reach and empower women and girls

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2023 – December 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 600,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Femmes et Développement (FEDE)

SUBRECIPIENT:

Association Sinignèssigui de Walirdé

LOCATION(S):

Communes of Mopti (including Sevare); Sio Commune (including Soufouroulaye); and Socoura in Mopti Cercle, Mopti Region

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

304,661

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

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Governance-related grievances and the weakening of the state mean that ex-combatant groups can replace legitimate authorities by providing protection and essential services. Survivors of human trafficking and modern slavery are among the most vulnerable to radicalisation, as are young people affected by unemployment.

The Kaoural project aims to encourage women leaders and youths to become drivers of change and promote peace, reconciliation, and social cohesion by communicating about and facilitating access to decision-making settings and psychosocial support for women survivors of extremism. In 2023, 330 local women leaders benefited from 15 coaching sessions offered by the Regional Network of Women Leaders Committed to Fighting Violent Extremism (RRFLE-Musoya Diala), members of which also act as role models and sources of inspiration. Nearly 200 local authority staff and local community leaders attended three series of five roundtables organised by the project's five radio partners across the target communes. The roundtables aimed to generate community momentum towards social cohesion and peace, including by raising awareness.

Kaoural also aims to improve income-generating opportunities for women and young people and develop their skills. Project participants (168 women and 60 men) helped to identify profitable economic activities through 15 case studies, and 400 future beneficiaries (300 women and 100 young people) have been selected for relevant vocational training courses.

Kaoural is providing 225 internally displaced women survivors of violent extremism with a forum for expression and opportunities to rebuild their lives through 15 discussion groups and a recreational programme. The women have experienced psychological, physical, and moral violence and are traumatised and

isolated, with no other form of care. The groups provide a safe space for women to talk to each other and overcome their trauma. They have also had an unexpected effect on relationships between displaced people and the host population, gradually helping to forge new links between these groups.



NIGER

Preventing violent extremism and promoting community resilience

THEME:

Livelihoods creation as a means towards peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

May 2022 – December 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 500,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Mouvement des Jeunes pour le Développement et l'Education Citoyenne (MOJEDEC)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Cadre de Concertation des Associations des Jeunes de Tillabéri (CCAJ/Ti); Groupe d'Action pour le Développement Rural (GADER); and women's groups

LOCATION(S):

The tri-border area (Burkina Faso-Mali-Niger), particularly north-west Tillabéri (Ayérou, Bibiyergou,) and south-west Tillabéri (Dargol, Gotéye, Torodi, Makalondi).

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

22,634

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

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Illiteracy and a lack of economic opportunities, particularly for women and young people, make individuals vulnerable to violent extremist discourse. The high level of insecurity in the Tillabéri region means people are more likely to cooperate with violent extremist groups.

The PEV-RC programme aims to help create conditions conducive to the prevention of violent extremism; to strengthening community resilience; to the reintegration of people disengaging from criminal and violent extremist groups; to the care of survivors of human rights violations; and to participatory and inclusive local governance.

MOJEDEC provided technical and financial support for 1,170 young people and women to set up 106 individual or collective income-generating activities, as well as mentoring to ensure these are viable and sustainable.

It also arranged for 84 local and influential leaders to take part in 15 radio debates. Their participation helped

ensure that a range of people could express their opinion on an equal footing, and enabled communities to put forward proposals that promote peaceful coexistence. The radio debates promoted social cohesion and community participation in peace and security issues, and advocated for the inclusion of the needs and concerns of young people, women, internally displaced people and People with Special Needs in the management of the common structures targeted by the programme.

Across the target communities, 1,294 people (702 men and 592 women) attended 18 awareness-raising sessions on preventing violent extremism and improving social cohesion. The sessions aimed to reduce the stigmatisation of displaced people, returnees, and members of minorities as well as those with special needs, and their families. They promoted trust and solidarity between community members, internally displaced people, and the authorities and encouraged the creation of a framework for peaceful coexistence that will protect members against violent extremism.



NIGERIA

Engaging young people and women as agents of social cohesion through resilience-building and community peace initiatives: The Vocational Skills and Entrepreneurship Programme

THEME:

Creating livelihoods to help (re)build peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

July 2022 to June 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 999,999

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

NEYIF (North East Youth Initiative for Development)

SUBRECIPIENT:

Al-Yateem Charity Initiative

LOCATION:

Sokoto State

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

510,086

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

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The three main drivers of violent extremism in Nigeria are a limited trust in government, limited socioeconomic opportunities – with unemployment and poverty particularly problematic among young women and young people – and religious conflicts. Sokoto State in north-western Nigeria has seen a surge in violence and a growing threat from the Islamic State’s West Africa Province (ISWAP) and Boko Haram.

NEYIF works to create a peaceful environment in which women and young people are involved in resolving community conflicts and vulnerabilities, supporting locally-led efforts to strengthen the resilience of communities vulnerable to violent extremist infiltration and conflict. Specifically, the organisation supports young people, women, and other vulnerable individuals to improve livelihoods, income, and economic opportunities, and to address the underlying grievances that make target communities vulnerable to the influence of violent extremist organisations and other conflicts.

The NEYIF Vocational Skills and Entrepreneurship Programme worked with 120 people: 80 women and 40 men, aged 18-25, who are returnees to communities or hosts of returnees, or internally displaced people. The identification and selection process involved consultation with and advice from community elders.

In August and September 2023, these beneficiaries were trained in skills such as tailoring, plumbing, shoemaking, and carpentry, by the 12 facilitators whose shops were equipped with training materials. The activity ended in October 2023, and participants who completed the programme will receive a start-up grant in March 2024. Local stakeholders praised the initiative as a key approach due to the levels of poverty in the region.



NIGERIA

Strengthening Advocacy against Violent Extremism (SAVE)

THEME:

Building resilience against climate impact

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2022 to June 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 1,150,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Women Environmental Programme (WEP)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Murna Foundation

LOCATION:

Katsina State

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

510,086

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

8

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In the North West of Nigeria, clashes between farmers and herders, exacerbated by climate change, have led to ethno-religious conflicts and increased food insecurity due to rising levels of internal displacement and land dispossession. This increases the vulnerability of communities to recruitment into violent extremism, with Katsina State among those experiencing an upsurge in the activities of violent extremist groups.

WEP has undertaken training on sustainable agricultural practices and improving food production to mitigate the impacts of climate change, adapting the Farmer Field School (FFS) model, a participatory education approach that promotes interactive learning and knowledge-sharing among participants. To promote sustainable agriculture and contribute to community stability and resilience, WEP also established four climate-smart farmers' cooperatives led by women and young people.

In April 2023, 30 State, local government, and community agricultural experts (24 men and 6 women) received

two days of training on climate change and sustainable agriculture. Twelve of the participants then shared this knowledge with 800 youth and women members of the farmers' cooperatives (422 men and 378 women) in two-day training sessions, conducted 16 times over six months. Session topics included the production of organic fertilisers and pesticides, biodiversity management, composting, water management, and agroforestry. As a result of the training, farmers can produce more food on smaller plots of land and feed themselves and family members. The beneficiaries are also willing to share the methods with other farmers, further increasing local resilience.

In September 2023, WEC conducted training-of-trainers on cooperative governance and financial management for 40 leaders of the farmers' cooperatives (20 women and 20 men). The sessions significantly increased their knowledge (from 98% reporting very low levels of knowledge to 77% reporting very high levels). The training sessions were highly interactive to encourage peer learning and networking among participants.



MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA



TUNISIA

A coordinated response to the rise of violent extremism

THEME:

Critical thinking and online vigilance to prevent violent extremism

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2022 to December 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 999,470

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

We Love Sousse

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Association ADO+; Association Tunisienne de Développement et Formation (ATDeF); and Forum de la Jeunesse, Culture et Citoyenneté (FJCC)

LOCATIONS:

Governorates of Jendouba, Kasserine, Kef, Sidi Bouzid, and Great Tunis

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

19,313

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

36

26

The potential for radicalisation in Tunisia remains high, with an attack on Ghriba synagogue in May 2023 in Djerba and a Tunisian citizen involved in an attack in Belgium in October 2023. Contributing issues – particularly for young people – include unemployment and a lack of sustainable opportunities; limited trust in the government; difficulties in accessing social support systems; and feelings of marginalisation and exclusion.

GCERF's partner consortium – We Love Sousse, Association ADO+, ATDeF, and FJCC – is working to boost social cohesion, strengthen a sense of belonging among community members, and help communities to strengthen inclusion.

The consortium is currently focusing on young people, and has created Local Youth Councils (CLJs) in the target

governorates to serve as intermediaries and facilitate communication between vulnerable young people and local authorities. Elected council members have benefited from capacity-building activities, and the consortium is now leading consultations between CLJ members and other young people on the topics of youth empowerment and civic participation.

It has also established peace clubs to educate students and educators on the prevention of violent extremism. Educators receive training to support students and then run clubs in schools. The clubs help students to take responsibility, increase agency, and build resilience in the face of violent extremism.



WESTERN BALKANS



ALBANIA

Leaving the past behind: Building resilience to violent extremism through support and education

Rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families

PROGRAMME DATES:

June 2021 to December 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 1,150,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Counselling Line for Women and Girls (CLWG)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Albanian Helsinki Committee, Interreligious Council of Albania, Gender Alliance for Development Center and International Association for Solidarity

LOCATION(S):

20 hotspots in Fier, Shkodra, and Tirana

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

12,134

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

89 (joint)

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Since 2020, GCERF has supported the CWLG and other partners to provide rehabilitation and reintegration (R&R) services for men, women and children who have returned from the conflicts in Iraq and Syria. Most returnees are located in rural areas with chronic socioeconomic and political vulnerabilities.

The objective of the programme is to change violent extremist views and behaviours of returning foreign terrorist fighters (RFTFs) and their families through disengagement and deradicalisation, while providing a comprehensive support structure to enable reintegration into society and building alternative narratives. The CLWG focuses its efforts on returning women and children; the family members of individuals who left; communities receiving RFTFs and their families; and individuals in prison for offences related to violent extremism.

The CLWG works in both custodial and community settings, providing psychosocial and family counselling as well as employment and vocational education to promote longer-term economic reintegration, and working with religious leaders to provide alternative narratives to violent extremism. CWLG also offers psychological support and education in prisons to address radicalisation.

By the end of 2023, the CLWG had conducted 16 workshops with religious leaders, providing crucial forums for dialogue, education, and collaboration, and enabling religious leaders to engage project beneficiaries in discussion, exchange ideas, and explore ways to promote reintegration and positive change within their communities. The CWLG had also organised 151 parent coaching sessions for women RFTFs to help ensure family cohesion and foster positive relationships, and the CWLG counselling helpline had addressed 656 calls. The helpline provides programme beneficiaries and survivors of domestic violence with psychoemotional support, guidance, resources, and information on preventing/countering violent extremism and R&R initiatives.

A CWLG YouTube channel provides a vital platform for addressing important issues related to women's rights and religion. It enables the dissemination of progressive perspectives and facilitates discussions aimed at promoting gender equality within religious discourse. By leveraging digital media, the channel creates opportunities to engage with a wider audience, foster dialogue, and advocate for positive changes in attitudes and practices surrounding women's rights within religious contexts.



BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

Strengthening strategic communication and professional capacities to manage the rehabilitation and reintegration process

THEME:

Rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families

PROGRAMME DATES:

March 2022 to December 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 740,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

The Atlantic Initiative

LOCATIONS:

Cantons of Central Bosnia, Sarajevo, Tuzla, Una-Sana, and Zenica-Doboj

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

640

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

89 (joint)

Violent extremism is intricately linked to Bosnia and Herzegovina's complex sociopolitical landscape, marked by its recent history of conflict, ongoing ethnic divisions, and socioeconomic challenges. It also faces the phenomenon of Bosnian fighters joining conflicts in Iraq and Syria – many of whom have returned home and may face stigmatisation and isolation.

The Atlantic Initiative focuses on coordination, strategic communication, and public awareness, leveraging local capacities, networks, and expertise to ensure a cohesive and effective rehabilitation and reintegration process. It works with various groups of adult and child returnees and frontline workers, including social workers, educators, and law-enforcement personnel. It coordinates local mobile teams for R&R and enhances the capacities of frontline workers with targeted training, complementing other support.

By the end of 2023, the Atlantic Initiative had directly benefited 412 people. The local mobile teams organised R&R-related meetings for 103 beneficiaries, and a total of 82 civil society representatives received training in R&R processes.

Prison employees attended interactive workshops run by the Atlantic Initiative on the use of Standard Operating Procedures for pre-release programmes for returnees from conflict zones and post-penal assistance in local communities.

Finally, the organisation assisted the Government's Interagency Working Group to fine-tune sub-laws aligned with the national protocol for actions of institutions for the rehabilitation and reintegration of returnees.



KOSOVO

Resilient and inclusive communities

THEME:

Rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2023 – June 2026

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 1,450,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Advocacy Training and Resource Centre (ATRC)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Balkan Investigative Reporting Network (BIRN), Community Building Mitrovia (CBM), Peer Educators Network (PEN) and Prishtina Institute for Political Studies

LOCATION(S):

Municipalities of Leosavić, North Mitrovia, Skenderaj, South Mitrovia, Vushtrri Zvečan, and Zubin Potok ; Municipalities of Lipjan, Obiliq, Podujevo, and Pristina; Municipalities of Ferizaj, Hani i Elezit, and Kaçanik in Ferizaj and Municipality of Viti in Gjilan District

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

76,773

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

63

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Kosovo has the youngest population in Europe; high rates of poverty and unemployment; and a post-conflict setting characterised by continued political and social tension, including division and polarisation along ethnic, religious and cultural lines and a lack of trust in institutions. Over 250 people have returned to Kosovo from foreign conflicts.

The ARTC aims to provide comprehensive support and opportunities for returning fighters and their families, as well as to increase local community agency and capacity to build sustainable efforts around PVE and rehabilitation and reintegration.

By the end of 2023, the ARTC had achieved significant milestones in supporting returnees and their families in

their rehabilitation and reintegration journey. Psychosocial and spiritual support sessions helped to address the emotional and spiritual needs of 60 returnees and their caregivers and thus facilitate their successful reintegration into the community. In addition, 79 tutoring and educational support activities focused on empowering returnees and their families with the necessary educational resources and skills for their reintegration process. Intercultural understanding and cohesion among young people from different backgrounds and ethnicities were promoted during 41 youth activities, including civil education in schools and exchange visits. A survey on the livelihood interests of young people targeted by the programmes provided valuable insights into their aspirations and needs for future interventions.



NORTH MACEDONIA

Community-based interventions: The path to resilience and community-based reintegration of vulnerable families

Rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families

PROGRAMME DATES:
July 2021 – June 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:
USD 700,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:
Macedonian Center for International Cooperation (MCIC)

SUBRECIPIENTS:
Association of Citizens “NEXUS Civil Concept” (NEXUS), Initiative for European Perspective (IEP), Association for Civic Activism and Encouraging Social Responsibility (Horizon Civitas), Association for Active and Healthy Development of Women and Children “Pleiades” (PLEIADES)

LOCATIONS:
The national level; Municipalities of Aračinovo, Butel, Čair, Gazi Baba, Saraj, and Studeničani in Skopje Region; Kumanovo Municipality in Northeastern Region; and Tetovo Municipality in Polog Region

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:
8081

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:
89 (joint)

An estimated 100 individuals have returned to North Macedonia from conflicts abroad. The majority came from and return to the Skopje area and the neighbouring municipalities of Tetovo and Kumanovo, which face high unemployment rates.

MCIC takes a holistic approach to meeting the needs of vulnerable families, including those with members who have returned from fighting abroad, and achieving their sustainable rehabilitation and reintegration. It provides a range of services aimed at enhancing overall well-being, including psychosocial support and facilitated access to the labour market. By enhancing practical skills and employability, the programme seeks to uplift household socioeconomic status, boost self-esteem, and ultimately enhance resilience. The programme also advocates for increased acceptance of returnees and their families, and actively promotes P/CVE (including by addressing issues such as far-right extremism and ethno-nationalism).

By the end of 2023, 190 actions have promoted access to social services: these include advocacy as well as assistance initiatives ranging from education and job placement to social welfare. The programme also referred clients to psychologists for comprehensive assessment and support, as a result of which 90 women and children accessed mental health evaluations and psychiatric medication where necessary. Another seven actions have contributed to the physical well-being of returning fighters or their family members.

The MCIC is preparing for the handover of support to the authorities and local referral groups. These groups consist of informal local leaders such as religious figures, educators, NGO representatives, and similar community stakeholders, who command authority and benefit from the trust of their communities.



FORTHCOMING GRANT INVESTMENTS

**Grants signed in 2023 with
activity beginning in 2024**



CHAD

Preventing radicalisation and violent extremism in Lac Region

THEMES:

Engaging with religious leadership and communities; Creating livelihoods to help (re)build peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2024 – December 2026

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 855,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Ligue Tchadienne des Droits de l'Homme (LTDH)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

- **ATAHS** - Agence Technique pour l'Action Humanitaire et Sociale
 - **ATPDH** - Association Tchadienne pour la Promotion et la Défense des Droits de l'Homme
 - **LTDH** - Ligue Tchadienne des Droits de l'Homme
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LOCATION(S):

Lake Chad Regio Region: Bagassola; Bol; Doum-Doum; Kouloudia; Liwa

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

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The Lake Chad Basin is located on the border between Cameroon, Chad, Niger and Nigeria and has always been one of the most vulnerable areas in Chad. Boko Haram extended its range of action to Chad in 2015, since when there has been extensive loss of human life, suicide attacks, kidnappings, and a massive displacement of people in the Lake Chad Basin. The Lac Region also suffers from a lack of socioeconomic opportunities and access to basic social, education, and health services, with young people in particular often prey to poverty, marginalisation, un- and underemployment, and a lack of skills. This makes them vulnerable to recruitment by violent extremist groups.

LTDH and its subrecipients will target young people (aged 15 to 25) and leaders of youth organisations; women and leaders of women's organisations; traditional and religious leaders and members of conflict-management and vigilance committees; and local authorities. It aims to improve socioeconomic conditions for vulnerable populations, particularly young people and women, by mapping potential opportunities in various employment sectors and by providing: professional and

entrepreneurship capacity- and skills strengthening; installation and support kits for professional integration; and coaching.

The programme will also support the involvement of young people and women in the management of community affairs. It will strengthen the ability of communities to manage community assets, establish community development plans, and organise inclusive General Assemblies.

To increase participation, trust, tolerance, and social cohesion among community members (including people who have been demobilised), LTDH will organise training on PVE for stakeholders (including religious leaders, community leaders, and local authorities); strengthen inter- and intra-community dialogue mechanisms and hold community awareness sessions; and support citizen actions to raise awareness of PVE and the fight against radicalisation. Relevant legal texts and policies in local languages will be disseminated to increase knowledge about and trust in the legal system.



GHANA

Building Resilience Against Violent Extremism (BRAVE) in vulnerable communities

THEME:

Creating livelihoods to help (re)build peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

December 2023 – November 2024

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 350,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Star-Ghana Foundation

LOCATION(S):

Bawku West, Garu, and Sissala West Districts

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

NA in 2023

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

89 (joint)

34

The BRAVE emergency programme will promote preventive approaches to radicalisation and violent extremism, with a particular focus on addressing rising tensions between Burkinabe refugees and host communities and provide youth with digital literacy and critical thinking skills. BRAVE will be implemented in northern Ghana, which faces socioeconomic challenges, the impacts of broader security dynamics in the region and hosts tens of thousands of refugees. Violent extremist attacks in the Sahel, and notably in neighbouring Burkina Faso, have escalated the security situation and resulted in an influx of refugees into northern Ghana. This has heightened concerns about possible violent extremist infiltration and tensions with local communities over resources and social services that may lead to radicalisation.

BRAVE aims to build resilience against violent extremism by addressing socioeconomic marginalisation and online radicalisation through initiatives that bring together antagonistic groups in the target communities with specific focus on women and youth.

The BRAVE programme will increase the economic resilience of 200 vulnerable women from refugee and host communities who are caring for their children single

handedly and receive no other support, fostering their capacity to sustain themselves and their families. A rapid needs assessment will evaluate demand for skills in the target communities, and Star-Ghana will then partner with local service providers to provide women with skills training and seed funding for small business ventures. A revolving fund scheme will be set up to further increase capital for women's micro-enterprises. Beneficiaries will benefit from continued mentoring to help ensure the sustainability of income-generating activities. By both providing both economic support to, and sensitising host and refugee communities alike, the programme will help address discrimination and marginalisation and thus reduce susceptibility to radicalisation and recruitment.

BRAVE also aims to enhance critical thinking skills and a positive sense of purpose among 600 young individuals from both host and refugee communities, including through digital literacy training to empower them to navigate digital information. Star-Ghana will establish three digital clubs for host community and refugee youth that will build social cohesion and address the religious and ethnic identity-based differences that are manipulated by violent extremists.



INDONESIA

Became a GCERF partner country in 2023, with strategy development, grant funding allocation and programme activity forthcoming

THEME:

Digital literacy; Community-based reintegration; livelihoods

PROGRAMME DATES:

September 2024 to December 2027

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

Forthcoming

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Forthcoming

LOCATION(S):

West Nusa Tenggara Province, Central Sulawesi Province, Jakarta and Sumatra

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

NA, programmes to begin in 2024

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

31

Following initial agreements in August of 2023, GCERF has begun to collaborate with Indonesian partners to develop an investment strategy for grant-funded programmes for prevention of violent extremism.

While its GTI ranking (31) places Indonesia among countries where the impact of terrorism is considered low, certain types of violent extremism have persisted since the early 2000s, including international terrorism, a multi-generational militant Islamist movement and Indonesians fighting abroad.

Ongoing security sector insights indicate that violent extremist groups affiliated with Al Qaeda and ISIL/Daesh remain active in recruitment, fundraising and spreading extremist narratives. Furthermore, there are indications that Jamaah Islamiyah (JI) has entered a rebuilding phase in preparation for an eventual armed jihad campaign to forcibly establish an Indonesian Islamic State[1].

Indonesians have also joined the ranks of Islamist foreign terrorist fighters abroad: During the period of 2014 – 2017, hundreds of Indonesians responded to the call of the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) to join extremist activities in Iraq and Syria. Currently, Indonesian women and children are also known to be among those nationals detained in Syrian camps.

In response to these factors, the Government of Indonesia has been working on de-radicalisation and counterterrorism for many years and significant achievements have been made. The anti-terrorism law in 2018 (Law Number 5) was revised to address individuals participating in military training at home or abroad with the intent of committing terrorist acts. To follow up on the law and to strengthen prevention and response, President Joko “Jokowi” Widodo signed Presidential Regulation Number 7 of 2021 on the National

Action Plan (NAP) through 2024 for Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism that Leads to Terrorism.

Since 2020, the Coordinating Minister has adopted a decree of establishing a Task Force for Handling Indonesian FTFs, and in 2023 the Task Force was altered to the Task Force for Handling Indonesian Citizen Abroad Associated with Foreign Terrorist Fighters. Its main task is to prepare operation stages covering “before, at, and after border”, which includes efforts of rehabilitation and social reintegration for the FTF and their Family members. The Task Force is chaired by Head of BNPT and its members consist of 15 Ministries/Agencies. However as of date, no Indonesians have been returned from the two camps in Northeast of Syria.



IRAQ

- 1. Community Resilience and Reintegration: Empowering Returnees from Northeast Syria and Vulnerable Youth in Iraq with Aid Gate Organisation**
- 2. TAZEEZ (Reinforce) with Ashour for Relief and Development**
- 3. United Voices: Strengthening Communities against Violent Extremism in Nineveh, Basra, and Kirkuk.**

THEMES:

Rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families; Creating livelihoods to help (re) build peaceful communities; Capacity-building of civil society organisations

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2024 – December 2026

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 3,000,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENTS (PR):

Aid Gate Organization (AGO), Ashour for Relief and Development (ARD), Y-Peer for Youth Development (Y-Peer)

** Grants signed in 2023; grant activity beginning in 2024

In 2023, as Islamic State in Iraq and Syria (ISIS) continued to lose influence in the country, Iraq moved out of the top ten countries most affected by terrorism and had the world's fourth largest decrease in deaths from terrorism (2022-2023). Investing in prevention is crucial to maintaining this trend. The drivers of radicalisation include competition over resources; the effects of the war on the economy and society; sectarian and ethnic dynamics; and the loss of livelihoods caused by climate change.

The three programmes in Iraq will support the implementation of the national Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) strategy, with a special focus on addressing the loss of livelihoods caused by climate change among displaced populations. They will also assist with the rehabilitation and reintegration of those vulnerable to radicalisation and recruitment, including internally displaced people and people returning from northeast Syria, including by strengthening community trust, tolerance, and social cohesion and by building economic resilience.

Specifically, ARD will foster knowledge production on violent extremism and prevention and share knowledge

SUBRECIPIENTS (SR):

- **Y-Peer is Implementing with** Platform Center for Sustainable Development and With Me Organization
- **Ashour is Implementing with** Bent Al-Rafedain Organization (BROB) and Hebaa Foundation for Sustainable Development (HFSD)
- **Aid Gate Organisation is implementing with** Dream Organization and Human Line Foundation (HLF).

LOCATION(S):

Governorates of Anbar; Baghdad; Babylon; Basra; Diyala; Kirkuk; Ninawa; Salah Al-Din

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

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among civil society, education, and government stakeholders; build the technical capacity of local civil society organisations; support livelihoods among young people and women in areas affected by violence and/or climate change by increasing market skills and opportunities; and strengthen community acceptance following the return of people from Syria.

AGO will enhance the capacity of returnees to (re)integrate into communities; improve community social cohesion and acceptance of returnees; and bolster action by youth and community stakeholders on prevention of violent extremism (PVE) and reintegration.

Y-Peer will enhance coordination and engagement among key governmental and non-governmental stakeholders in the implementation of the National Strategy to Combat Violent Extremism Conducive to Terrorism and plans of action at the governorate level. It will also build capacity and knowledge on PVE among local youth- and women-led organisations; local government actors; and influential community leaders.



KYRGYZSTAN

Rehabilitation, reintegration and resocialisation of returnees and their family members

PROGRAMME DATES:

2024-2027

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 2,000,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT(S):

2 grants under development and expected for signature by June 2024.

SUBRECIPIENT(S):

TBD

LOCATION(S):

Regions of Chui, Issyk-Kul, Jalal-Abad, and Osh

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

NA, programmes to begin in 2024

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

89 (joint)

Radicalisation in Kyrgyzstan is profoundly influenced by the country's socioeconomic conditions, social assistance mechanisms, its proximity to Tajikistan and religious dynamics. At least 850 Kyrgyz citizens have left to participate in armed conflicts as part of violent extremist groups in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria, and other countries. Many are now returning with the help of the government and will – alongside people released from domestic prisons having been charged with the offense of extremism and terrorism – need long-term rehabilitation and reintegration (R&R) support.

GCERF is laying the groundwork for an initial four-year investment in the country. It will support local civil society organisations (CSOs) to implement R&R and complementary PVE interventions, including through capacity strengthening to ensure the sustainability of their work beyond GCERF's involvement. One of our primary focuses will be working with schools where children are returning and preparing the enabling environment in communities for sustainable return, rehabilitation, and reintegration.

The work will enable the rehabilitation and reintegration of people returning from Iraq and northeast Syria (with a special focus on women and children). GCERF plans support grants in the future for persons exiting prisons to readapt to daily life, including through resocialisation (a process through which a person is taught new norms, values, and practices that foster their transition from one social role to another).

PVE work in at-risk communities will provide much-needed services to promote social cohesion and more equal access to economic and social opportunities. This will help to create an enabling environment that in turn will reduce stigmatisation and prevent radicalisation and new departures, particularly among vulnerable children and young people in the communities of return.

Finally, those who work with returnees and communities – frontline workers (including psychologists, social workers, prison staff and education staff) and local and national authorities – will receive capacity-strengthening support to ensure sustainable R&R. Returnees, people released from prison, and those who directly engage with them will also receive psychosocial support.



MAURITANIA

Citizen Action for Peace (ACP)

THEMES:

Engaging with religious leadership and communities;
Creating livelihoods to help (re)build peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2024 – December 2025

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 610,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENT:

Initiatives pour le Développement (ID)

SUBRECIPIENTS:

Réseaux Régional des Associations de Jeunes (RERAJ)
Association Mauritanienne de Développement de Recherche et de Suivi (ADRES) and Association Mauritanienne pour la Promotion de l'Éducation des Filles (AMPEF)

LOCATION(S):

Awoynatt, Bouilly, Lahraj, Ould Yengé, and Tektake communes in Ould Yengé Department (*moughataa*), Guidimakha Region (*wilaya*); Baidiam, Khabou, and Souvi communes in Khabou Department, Guidimakha Region.

NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS REACHED DIRECTLY:

Programme activity beginning in 2024

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

89 (joint)

38

In Mauritania, young people lack sufficient access to education, health, leisure, professional training, jobs, and gender equity. They, and other marginalised people, feel excluded and have tense relationships with authority, with demonstrations frequently suppressed. Local and regional elections in 2023 exacerbated cultural, racial, ethnic, and tribal tensions. In Guidimakha Region, the consequences of slavery fuel land and religious conflicts, and many people are not registered in the civil registry, restricting their participation and access to services. All of these factors, coupled with widespread poverty, drive violent extremism.

The Citizen Action for Peace (Actions Citoyennes pour la Paix (ACP)) project will implement activities to improve access to opportunities and participation for young people, and to bolster social cohesion. These will target young people (15-17) in formal and non-formal school environments; young adult (18-25) heads of household living in poverty; religious and community leaders; local authorities and elected officials.

The programme will develop professional integration, careers and personal development, and life-skills training, and provide mentoring and coaching, for young people. It will also establish a financing and support mechanism for young people and provide training for stakeholders on inclusive approaches to providing young people with opportunities.

The ACP will organise intergenerational conflict-resolution and experience-exchange meetings, produce narratives and messages to counter hate speech, and train influential stakeholders on hate speech and prevention of violent extremism. It will hold mass intra- and inter-community business fora, as well as panel discussions, conferences, and rap concerts alongside traditional cultural, religious, and sports events to promote a culture of peace.

Finally, the programme will run campaigns to facilitate access to civil identity documents, support target populations to register, and establish a mechanism for consultation between communities and political authorities.



MOZAMBIQUE

Creating livelihoods and social cohesion to rebuild peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2024 – December 2026

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 2,500,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENTS (PR):

- ActionAid Mozambique
 - Association for Support and Legal Assistance to Communities (AAAJC)
 - Mechanism for Civil Society Support (MASC) Foundation
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SUBRECIPIENTS (SRS):

- ASSOCIAÇÃO ASSANA
 - Conselho Cristão de Moçambique - Delegação de Cabo delgado (CCM - CD)
 - Associação Para o Desenvolvimento Sustentável (OLIPA – ODES)
 - União das Cooperativas Agro-Pecuarias do Distrito de Lichinga (UCA)
 - Fórum das organizações Femininas do Niassa (FOFeN)
 - Associação de Desenvolvimento Comunitario Mukhaleiro (Mukhalihero)
 - Associação Multisectorial para o Desenvolvimento Sustentavel (AMULTSDS)
 - Centro de Promoção à Cidadania - CEPCI
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LOCATION(S):

Northern Provinces of Cabo Delgado, Nampula, and Niassa

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

15

Conflict in Cabo Delgado Province broke out in 2017 and has since spread to neighbouring provinces in the north of the country. While there has been military progress in stopping violent extremist groups, there are limited interventions for prevention of violent extremism (PVE) in Cabo Delgado, Nampula, and Niassa Provinces. Violent extremism is a relatively new phenomenon in Mozambique, with many stakeholders only now beginning discussions on PVE programming.

The three consortia will work to support the resilience of communities in northern Mozambique to violent

extremist groups by building social cohesion and providing economic alternatives.

Interventions will enhance social cohesion and inclusion in communities affected by violent extremism. They will also provide economic alternatives for children and young people between the ages of 15 and 35 to prevent their recruitment and radicalisation and to promote youth participation in decision-making.



YEMEN

Supporting the rehabilitation and community-based integration of children formerly associated with armed forces and groups and young soldiers

THEMES:

Rehabilitation and reintegration of former combatants and their families; Engaging with religious leaders and communities; Creating livelihoods to help (re)build peaceful communities

PROGRAMME DATES:

January 2024 – December 2026

FUNDING COMMITMENT:

USD 2,000,000

PRINCIPAL RECIPIENTS:

Deem for Development and Resonate! Yemen

SUBRECIPIENTS:

- **Deem for Development is implementing with** ESTIJABAH Foundation for Humanitarian Aid and Relief (ESTIJABAH) and Qatarat Foundation for Development (Qatarat)
- **Resonate! Yemen is implementing with** Martyr Bin Habrish Foundation for Development -BHF, Psychiatric Care Development Foundation -PCF and Afaq Shababia Foundation -ASF

LOCATION(S):

Governorates of Aden, Dhale, Hadramaut, Taiz, Lahj, Abyan and, Ma'rib.

2023 COUNTRY GTI RANKING:

23

40

Yemen is beginning the long process of transitioning from years of civil war and humanitarian emergency, with an unofficial ceasefire between the Houthis and the internationally recognised Government of Yemen extending into 2023. This followed the end of the UN-brokered truce in October 2022, and included the release of nearly 900 prisoners of war from both sides in April 2023.

However, recovery will take time and expectations must be managed during the transition from humanitarian emergency towards stabilisation efforts. Key drivers of violent extremism in Yemen include ongoing violence; terrorism; regional dynamics; the economic situation; different interpretation of religious dogma, and the recruitment of children by all warring sides.

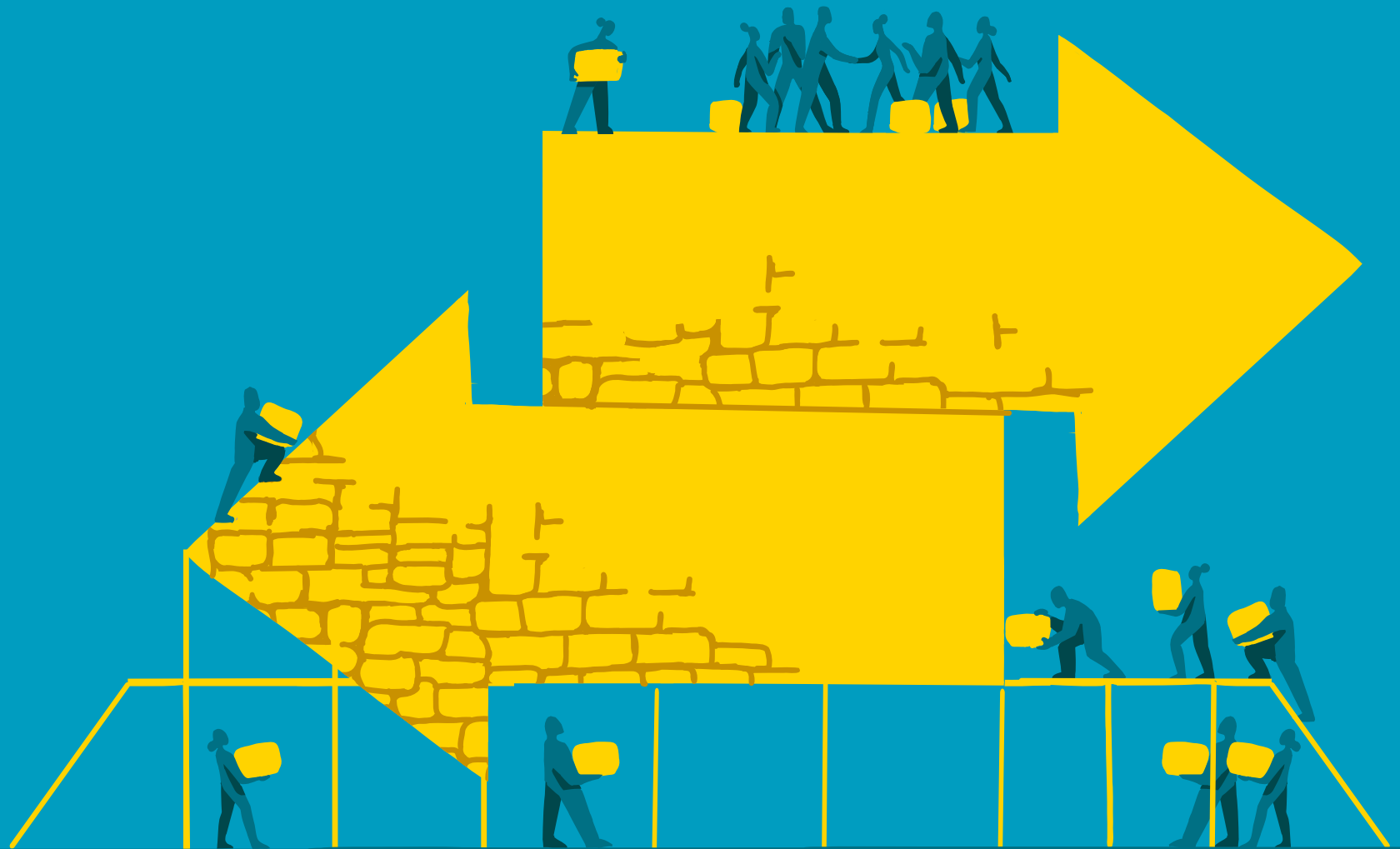
Deem for Development and Resonate! Yemen and their subrecipients will use a holistic approach to support the rehabilitation and integration of children and youth disengaging from non-state armed groups. They will support the capacity of staff in rehabilitation centres and in formal and informal educational institutions to provide comprehensive rehabilitation services for children and young people. They will help children and young people to build confidence and provide resources, skills, and labour-market opportunities to prevent them joining non-state armed groups. They will also work with communities to build knowledge and acceptance as children and young people reintegrate. Their objective will be to support the integration of children in formal and semi-formal education institutions while also engaging with at-risk and vulnerable children in the communities of return.



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وَلَوْ بَدَّضَ
عَمَّا إِسْتِنَارَ
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4 EXTERNAL AFFAIRS



The Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF): 13th Ministerial Meeting

As one of three GCTF-inspired institutions, GCERF participated in the Forum's 13th Ministerial Meeting, held on 20 September 2023 in New York. During his opening speech, Josep Borrell, the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy/Vice-President of the European Commission, recognised GCERF and its sister institutions as “key vehicles for actions to prevent and counter terrorism [and violent extremism] across the globe”.

The three sister institutions – GCERF, Hedayah, and the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law (IIJ) – co-organised a [side event](#) on “Women as Drivers of Peace and Innovation in Responding to Terrorism and Violent Extremism”. This was held on 19 September 2023 and hosted by the GCTF Co-Chairs, represented by Mr Borrell and H.E. Sameh Shoukry, Egypt's Minister of Foreign Affairs. The Co-Chairs emphasised that promoting women's participation and gender-sensitive policies in responding to terrorism and violent extremism is a strategic priority for the GCTF as articulated in a [video](#) developed for the event, and highlighted the importance of cooperation with GCERF and other GCTF-inspired institutions. During the event, Dr Khalid Koser, GCERF's Executive Director, pledged that by 2025 at least 40% of GCERF's grantees will be women- or youth-led.

Launch of the GCTF Recommendations for Funding and Enabling Community-Level P/CVE

The GCTF published [Recommendations for Funding and Enabling Community-Level P/CVE](#) which were formally launched at another side event on the margins of the 22nd Coordinating Committee and the 13th

Ministerial Meetings. These were developed by GCERF, acting for the first time as an implementing partner for the GCTF, for the 2021-2023 [Initiative on Funding and Enabling Community-Level P/CVE](#), under the GCTF CVE Working Group co-chaired by the governments of Australia and Indonesia.

The Initiative aimed to help identify solutions to overcome funding barriers to supporting community-level P/CVE interventions. As implementing partner, GCERF facilitated discussions on investing in local actors, frameworks, and programmes to enable these interventions. GCERF organised six workshops for a total of 300 participants representing a broad range of stakeholders, including national and local governments; intergovernmental and non-governmental organisations; local civil society and community-based organisations; think tanks; academics; and the private sector.

The Initiative collated and discussed the diverse experiences shared by stakeholders at the workshops, using them to identify good emerging practices and to develop concrete guidance and recommendations on investing in local actors, frameworks, and programmes.

Climate change and violent extremism

GCERF, the Government of Iraq and Coventry University co-hosted an event in the margins of the 78th Session of the United Nations General Assembly Session on “Climate Change and Violent Extremism: Causes, Consequences and Solutions” (20 September 2023). The event featured interventions from affected communities, as well as a panel that provided insights from academia, policy, and practice on the relationship between climate change and violent extremism.

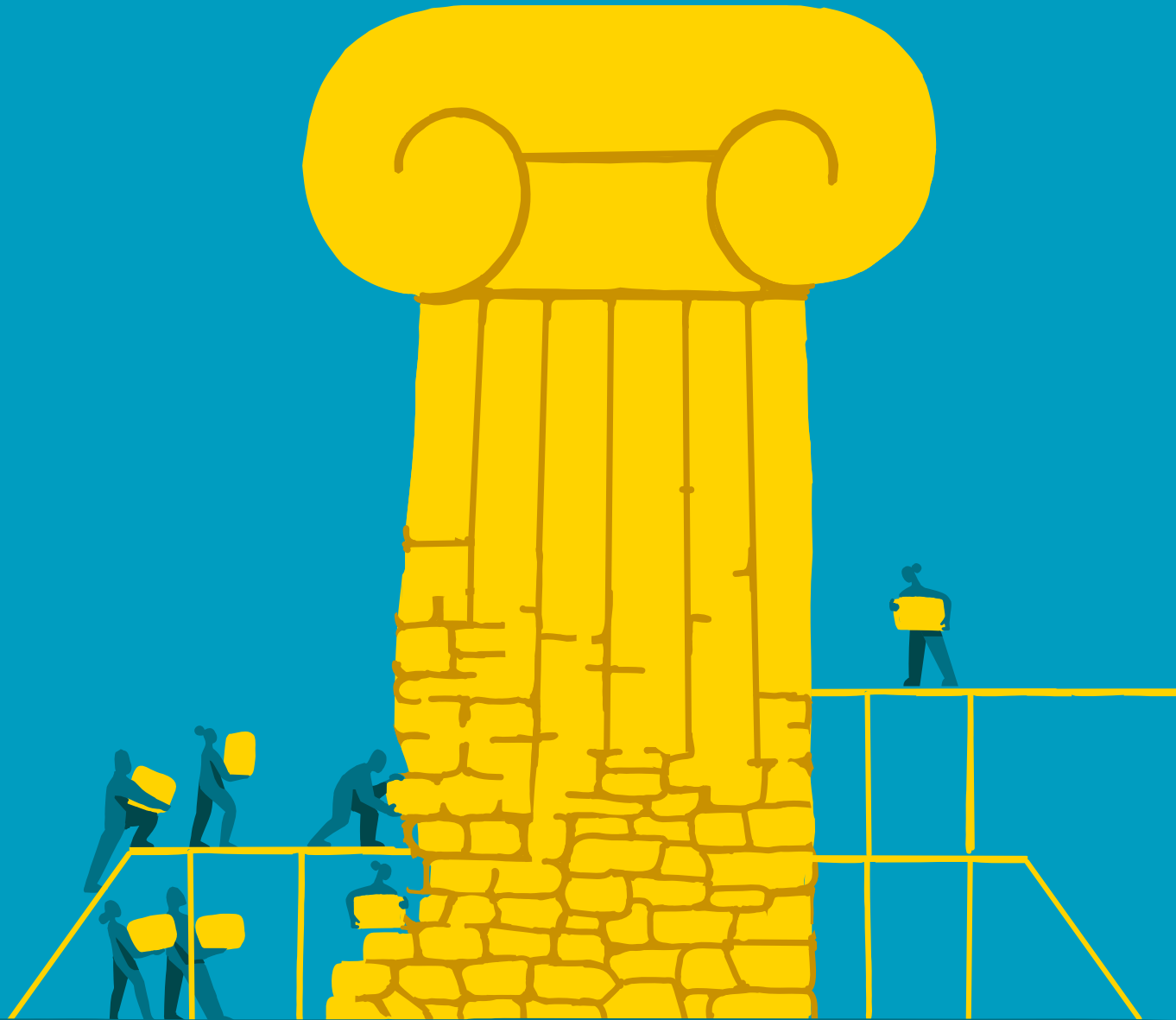
The Carol Bellamy Fellowship (CBLA)

In April 2023, GCERF launched the second round of the [Carol Bellamy Leadership Award](#) (CBLA) (formerly the Carol Bellamy Fellowship). Carol Bellamy was the first and founding Chair of the GCERF Board and is an ardent supporter of women's empowerment. The award supports small local and grassroots organisations led by women and others working towards women's empowerment in the field of preventing violent extremism in GCERF partner countries.

Through the CBLA, GCERF has awarded grants of CHF 2,000 to 10 organisations in Bangladesh, Iraq, Kenya, Kosovo, Mali, and Somalia. GCERF also provides awardees with support for monitoring, evaluation, and learning and connects them to virtual networks through which they can build connections and share best practices.



5 GOVERNANCE



THE GCERF GOVERNING BOARD

The Governing Board is GCERF's decision-making body. Its responsibilities include guiding GCERF's strategic direction, promoting GCERF's principles and activities, and mobilising donors in support of GCERF's mission. The two meetings of the Board in 2023 were held in Tunis, Tunisia (13-15 June) and Geneva, Switzerland (29-30 November).

The meeting held in Tunisia featured GCERF's first Board Retreat as well as field visits to sites in northern Tunisia operated by three grantees - Forum El Jahedh (FEJ), We Love Sousse (WLS), and Friguia For Strategies. Specifically, during their site visits, Board members witnessed the impacts of GCERF's investment in grantee efforts to strengthen the capacity of frontline workers, increase youth participation in public decision-making, and provide alternatives to criminality and radicalisation to children and youth.

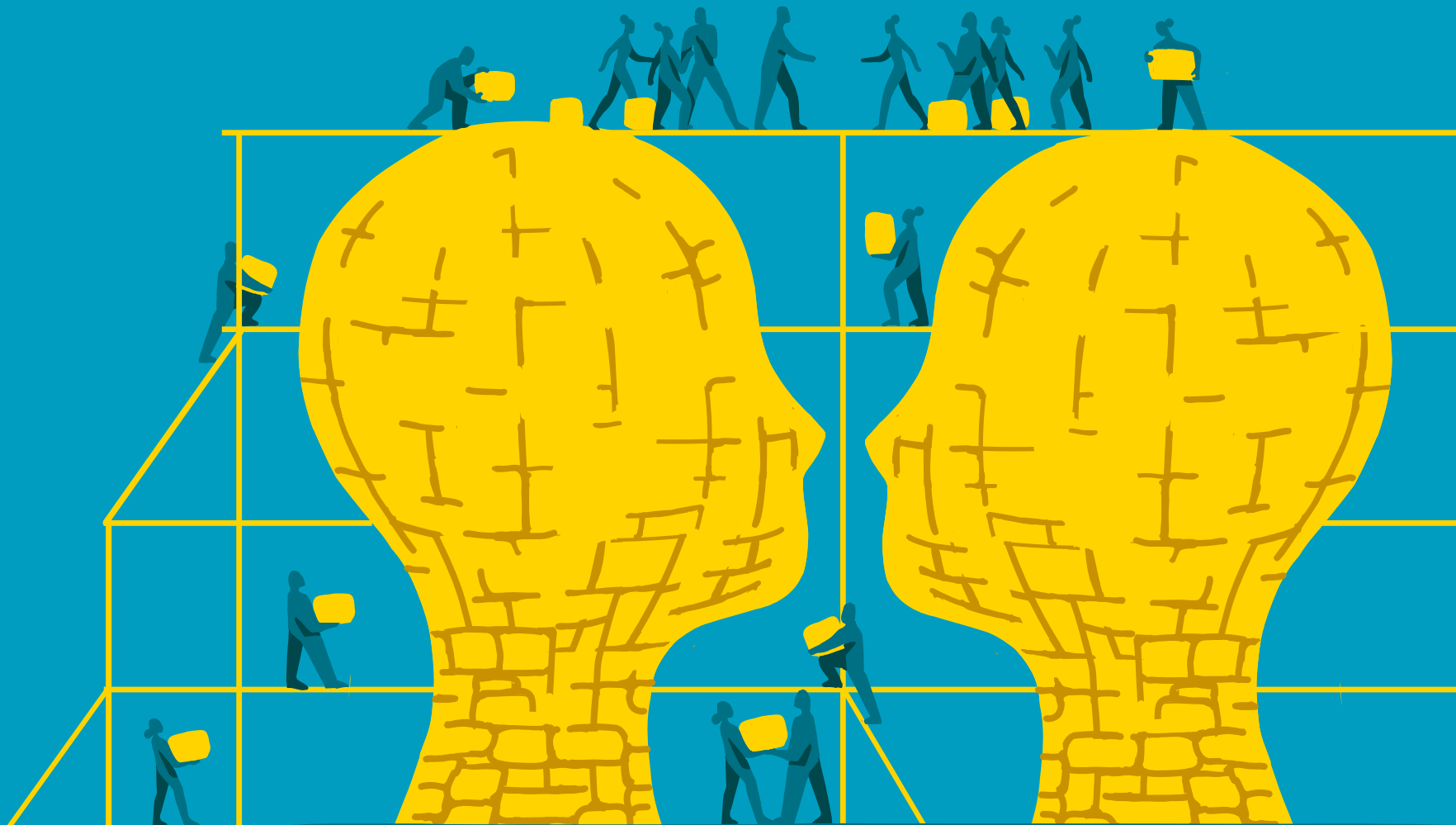
In 2023, the Board took 27 decisions on issues critical to the evolution and work of GCERF, including: the extension of the terms of the Executive Director and the Chair of the Board; the approval of new Governing Board Constituencies and country investment strategies; and the expansion of grant making to new partner countries: Ghana, Indonesia, Iraq, Kyrgyzstan, and Yemen. All Governing Board decision [documentation](#) are published on the GCERF website.

Governing Board members are listed in Annex 1.

Independent Review Panel members are listed in Annex 2.



6 GCERF'S PEOPLE AND CULTURE



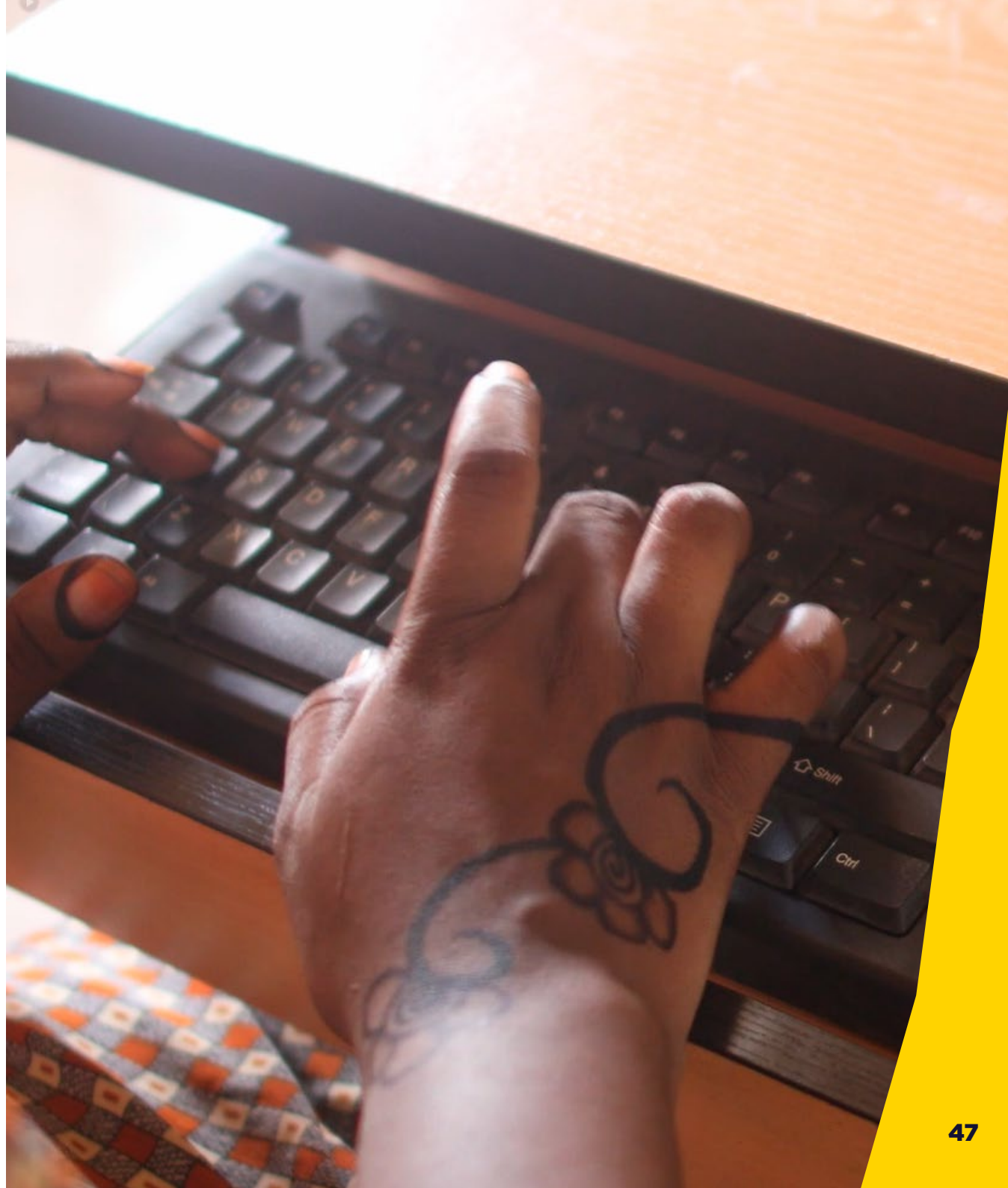
THE SECRETARIAT

In 2023, the Secretariat's Human Resources and Administration Unit facilitated the move to a brand-new, purpose-built office. It was designed to accommodate GCERF's growth as a maturing global fund, to foster collaboration, and to optimise working conditions for our diverse team in Geneva. The new office is still located in the UN district but better reflects our values with its high environmental standards, adaptable workspaces, and facilities for large in-house meetings and learning events.

The creation of a new Resource Mobilisation Unit was prioritised in 2023 to enhance GCERF's strategic fundraising capacities, and a Head of Resource Mobilisation has been recruited.

GCERF created an internal working group on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in the Secretariat and in our programming activities. The Human Resources and Administration Unit also concluded contracts with new travel and IT service providers to enhance operational efficiency, while the review and improvement of processes to mitigate and address risk continued to be a priority.

At the end of 2023, GCERF employed 57 people, with 41 staff members and interns in Geneva and 16 National Advisors and Monitors based in countries where grant implementation is underway. They represent 29 nationalities and 58% are women.



7 FINANCE UPDATE



The Finance and Compliance Unit plans and organises GCERF's financial resources and manages annual and project audits while complying with international accounting standards. It also provides technical support to grant-making, grant-management, and grant-closure activities, as well as regular financial training and support for grant recipients in countries.

The Finance and Audit Committee continued to oversee and advise the Secretariat on finance, audit, risk-management, and internal control matters.

In 2023, an external company (BDO SA Ltd, Switzerland) conducted an annual audit of GCERF's 2022 financial statements. The auditors reported an unqualified opinion with no issues or findings in their report, including on the internal control system.

In 2023, 29 financial examinations conducted by BDO LLP (United Kingdom) and 12 financial spot checks conducted by the Secretariat monitored the finances of grant recipients. Whenever necessary, an implementation plan was developed based on the findings to correct errors and weaknesses and improve the financial capacity of recipients.

Internal control and risk-management systems continued to be strengthened in accordance with the Committee of Sponsoring Organizations of the Treadway Commission (COSO) model of internal control and the Secretariat developed a new organisational risk register. Current procedures and processes continued to be reviewed and improved on a regular basis. The grant-management software developed between 2022 and 2023 was tested during the last quarter of 2023 and will be launched in the first quarter of 2024.

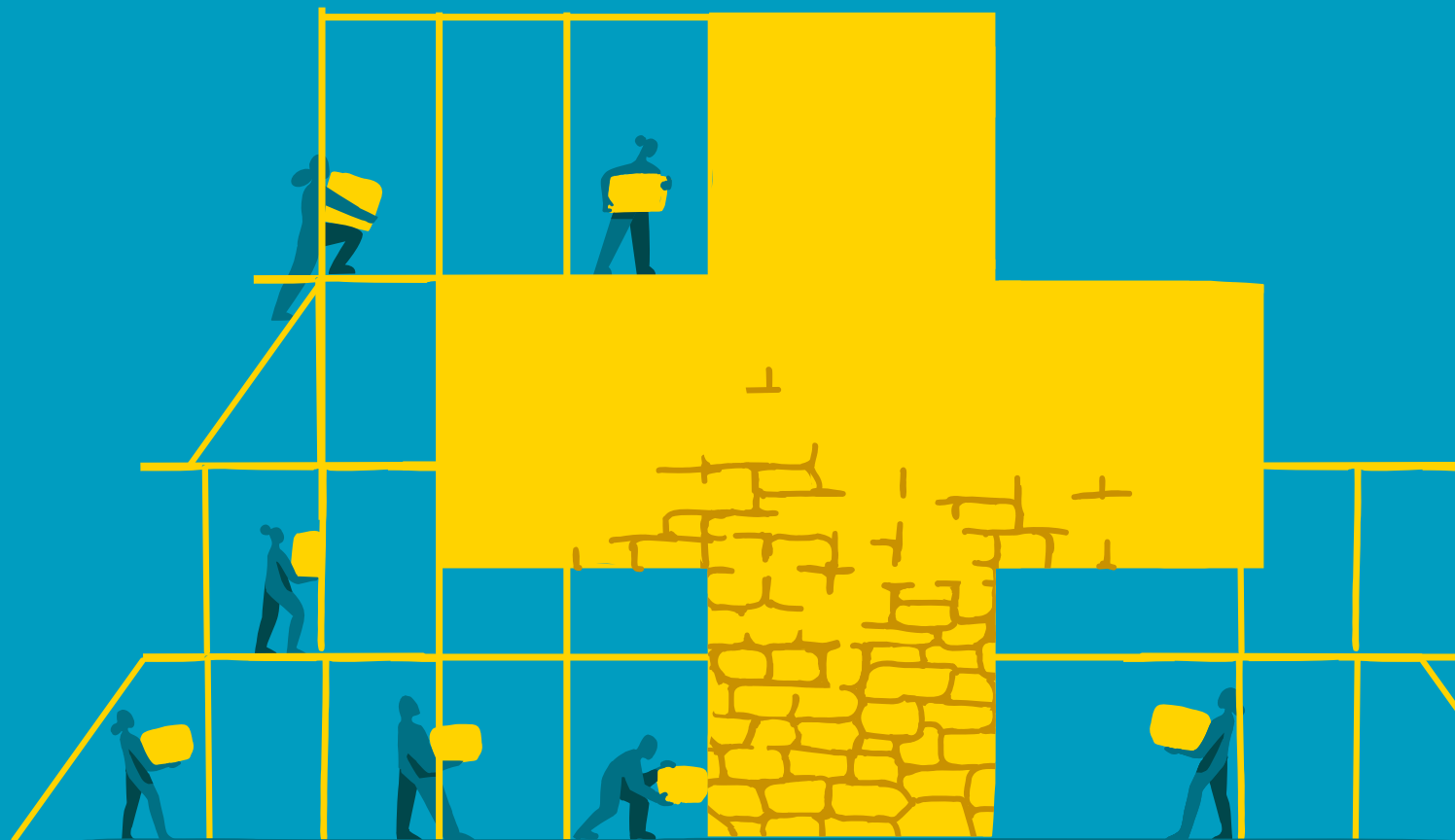


FINANCE TABLE - DONOR CONTRIBUTIONS

Country	Total contributions confirmed in 2023 (in millions USD)	Total contribution 2014-23 (in million USD)	Cash	In-kind contribution
United States of America	2.7	28.5	26.2	2.3
European Union	-	26.5	26.5	-
Netherlands	-	17.1	17.1	-
Germany	3.2	16.4	16.4	-
Switzerland	1.8	14.9	12.7	2.2
Qatar	-	10.0	10.0	-
Norway	4.5	9.1	9.1	-
Japan	-	8.3	8.3	-
Australia	1.3	7.9	7.9	-
France	0.9	4.7	4.7	-
Italy	0.8	4.1	4.1	-
Canada	1.1	4.5	4.5	-
Denmark	1.4	3.5	3.5	-
New Zealand	-	3.2	3.1	<0.1
United Kingdom	0.2	2.8	2.8	-
Liechtenstein	-	0.3	0.3	-
Sweden	-	0.2	0.2	-
Finland	0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Kofi Annan Foundations	-	0.1	0.1	-
Spain	<0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Kenya (Partner Country)	0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Albania (Partner Country)	0.1	0.1	0.1	-
Morocco	-	0.1	<0.1	<0.1
Kuwait Danish Dairy Company	-	0.1	0.1	-
Niger (Partner Country)	-	0.1	0.1	-
Kosovo (Partner Country)	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	-
Burkina Faso (Partner Country)	-	<0.1	<0.1	-
GCSP own funds	-	<0.1	-	<0.1
Portugal	<0.1	<0.1	<0.1	-
Private sector	-	<0.1	-	<0.1
Grand Total	18.4	162.9	158.2	4.7



8 ANNEXES



ANNEX 1: Board Constituencies and Members (as of 31 December 2023)



ALBANIA, BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA, KOSOVO, AND NORTH MACEDONIA

BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Mr Xhelal Sveçla, Minister of Internal Affairs of Kosovo

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Zlatko Apostoloski, National Coordinator for Prevention of Violent Extremism and Counter-Terrorism of North Macedonia



AUSTRALIA, JAPAN, AND NEW ZEALAND

BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Koichi Warisawa, Director, International Safety and Security Cooperation Division, Foreign Policy Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Mr Jeffrey Roach, Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations Office in Geneva



BANGLADESH, KYRGYZSTAN, AND THE PHILIPPINES

BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Mr Mohammad Sufiur Rahman, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the People's Republic of Bangladesh to the United Nations Office in Geneva

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Ms. Margarita Gutierrez, Undersecretary, Department of the Interior and Local Government of the Philippines (DILG)



BURKINA FASO, CHAD, MALI, MAURITANIA, AND NIGER

BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Ms Madeleine Alingué, Minister and Secretary of State for Economy, Development Planning and International Cooperation of the Republic of Chad

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Saleck Ould Mohamed Ainatt, Advisor in charge of Regional Integration and National Coordinator of G5 Sahel, Ministry of Economic Affairs and Promotion of Production Sectors of the Islamic Republic of Mauritania



CIVIL SOCIETY AND POLICY, THINK, AND DO TANKS

BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Fulco Van Deventer, Vice-Director, Human Security Collective

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Eelco Kessels, Executive Director, Global Center on Cooperative Security



DENMARK, FRANCE, AND ITALY

BOARD MEMBER:

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ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Christian Bunk Fassov, Counterterrorism Coordinator, Department of Security Policy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark



EUROPEAN UNION

BOARD MEMBER:

Ms Maria Rosa Sabbatelli, Head of Unit, FPI.1 –Peace and Stability – Global Threats, Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (FPI), European Commission



FINLAND, GERMANY, THE NETHERLANDS, AND NORWAY

BOARD MEMBER:

Ms Naomi Yorks, Deputy Head of Section, Counterterrorism & National Security Division, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Ms Anka Feldhusen, Director for Civilian Crisis Prevention and Stabilisation, Federal Foreign Office of Germany



FOUNDATIONS AND PRIVATE SECTOR

BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Tony Carroll, Founding Director, Acorus Capital; Adjunct Professor, Johns Hopkins University

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Dr Emman El-Badawy, Head of Research - Co-existence, Tony Blair Institute for Global Change



GHANA AND NIGERIA

BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Mr Abiodun Richards Adejola, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Federal Republic of Nigeria to the United Nations Office in Geneva

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Edward Asomani, National Security Coordinator, Ministry of National Security of the Republic of Ghana



IRAQ AND TUNISIA

BOARD MEMBER:

Ms Neila Feki, Vice-President, National Counter Terrorism Commission of the Republic of Tunisia

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Ali Abdullah Abbas Al-Bdair, Head of the National Committee to Combat Extremism, Office of the National Security Adviser (ONSA) of the Republic of Iraq



KENYA, MOZAMBIQUE, AND SOMALIA

BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Dr Cleopa Kilonzo Mailu, Ambassador and Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Kenya to the United Nations Office in Geneva

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Abdullahi Mohamed Nor, Director General, Tubsan National Centre for Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism; Senior Advisor to the President of the Federal Government of Somalia



QATAR

BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Dr Mutlaq Majed AlQahtani, Ambassador and Special Envoy of the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the State of Qatar for Counterterrorism and Mediation



SWITZERLAND

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

Dr Daniel Frank, Head Coordinator for International Counter-Terrorism, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs of Switzerland



UNITED KINGDOM AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

BOARD MEMBER:

Mr Ian Moss, Deputy Coordinator for Counterterrorism, Bureau of Counterterrorism, U.S. Department of State

ALTERNATE BOARD MEMBER:

H.E. Ms Hema Kotecha, Ambassador and Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations Office and other international organizations in Geneva

ANNEX 2: Independent Review Panel Members (as of 31 December 2023)



MS GAZBIAH SANS

IRP Chair and Director, PVE Works



MS HUMERA KHAN

President, MUFLEHUN



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