

# An Update from the six CRG Regional Platforms

Engaging civil society and communities in the development of the new Global Fund Strategy (2023+)

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## FRANCOPHONE AFRICA

On 30 November, the Platform held a virtual consultation for the new Global Fund Strategy, in partnership with the CSO Institute for HIV and Health in West and Central Africa (see [event flyer](#) and email [newsletter](#)). The consultation had more than 50 participants. The flyer details the three-stage consultation process, which also includes small social-distanced in-person consultations in six countries: Burkina Faso (10 December – [see TOR](#)), Côte d'Ivoire, Gabon, Guinée, DRC and Tchad. A final summative reporting stage will also take place before the end of December 2020. The Platform and the CSO Institute are also conducting an [online consultation](#) with civil society and community groups in Africa to gather concrete recommendations, contributions and perspectives to guide the Global Fund's strategy for the post-2022 period. These consultations build on the findings of [a survey report](#) (88 respondents from 18 countries) that the Platform published back in August 2020.



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## ANGLOPHONE AFRICA

The Platform is moving forward with its efforts to consult Anglophone African communities on the development of the new Global Fund Strategy 2023+. They developed a [draft agenda](#), which lays out a five-day program from 30 November to 4 December (two hours each day: 1-3pm Geneva time), with breakaway sessions per constituency. A [newsletter](#) was circulated to publicize the consultations, which attracted approximately 50 participants per day. A set of [preliminary outcomes and recommendations](#) have been developed. These online consultations build on the findings of [a survey report](#) (144 respondents from 20 countries) published by the Platform back in August 2020.



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## EASTERN EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA

The Platform is moving forward with its efforts to consult EECA communities about the development of the new Global Fund Strategy 2023+. They have developed a [draft concept note](#), which describes the four-phase consultation approach of an online survey (27 November – 8 December), key informant interviews (26 November – 8 December), regional focus group discussions (3 - 8 December) and a final regional event (11 or 12 December). These online consultations build on the findings of a [joint input report](#) from 10 regional networks that unite hundreds of national community-based entities as well as civil society groups in 29 countries of the region.



## MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

The Platform will support community engagement in the new Global Fund strategy development process. The Platform plans to engage a consultant to facilitate three round table discussions (2-3 hours each), in three different languages (French, English and Arabic). This will be followed up with discussions among key regional partners, through working sessions, to review and shape the recommendations. A report will be produced. Activities will be concluded by December 2020.



## LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

The LAC Platform is conducting [a survey](#) to consult civil society and communities on the priorities for the new Global Fund Strategy for 2023 and beyond. The survey was disseminated through the Platform's [newsletter](#), and will remain open until 15 December 2020. The Platform developed [three videos](#) (English and Spanish) to support the development process of the Global Fund's new Strategy (timeline, link with SDGs, and Communities Delegation's position paper – the latter used during the GNP+, W4GF and Delegation consultation on 26 November). The Platform also developed an [information note](#) (English and Spanish) with key timelines and engagement entry points. The Platform published [a newsletter](#) to share the key dates, timelines, and resources for the Strategy development process. On 26 November, the Platform hosted a virtual consultation for South American communities (17 participants), followed by a sub-regional consultation for Central America and then for the Caribbean. A summative report will be produced before the end of 2020.

## ASIA-PACIFIC

As part of its efforts to mobilize civil society and communities around the development of the new Global Fund Strategy for 2023 and beyond, the Platform supported the dubbing of "[An Introduction to the Global Fund](#)" video into Sinhala. The Platform convened [three thematic engagements](#) which had a dual focus on COVID-19 policy implications and priorities for the new Global Fund strategy development: (1) Civil Society & Community Mobilization (24 Nov), (2) Universal Health Coverage (UHC) (26 Nov), and (3) Mental Health of Key, Vulnerable & Marginalized Populations (4 Dec). The Platform is hosting its regional consultation for the new Global Fund Strategy on 9 December 2020 ([see event flyer and agenda](#)). The Platform circulated [a newsletter](#) to alert communities of this engagement opportunity. A summative report will be produced before the end of 2020.

