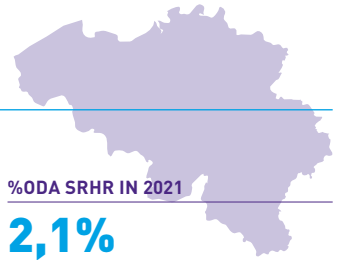


# BELGIUM



**B**elgium actively promotes sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), including access to family planning (FP). This has been reflected in the country's federal law on international cooperation (2013) and in several operational federal policy documents on health and on gender in international cooperation. This commitment to SRHR has been further confirmed by the 'Response Strategy' and 'Economic Support and Recovery' notes of the Belgian response to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a frontrunner for SheDecides, Belgium hosted the She Decides +5 conference in 2022, which brought together SRHR activists from all over the world to discuss challenges and opportunities to promote SRHR globally.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

1,6%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

2,1%

LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2021, Belgian contributions to SRH/FP amounted to an unprecedented 34 million Euros, equivalent to 1,6% of total ODA. This is the third consecutive year that the country increases investments in SRH/FP, this time by 16%. To operationalise its SheDecides commitments, Belgium has been prioritising government-to-government cooperation since 2019: in 2021, this stream represented 57% of overall contributions to advance access to SRH/FP. In addition to these direct expenditures, more than half of Belgium's total expenses for health contributes to reproductive, maternal, neonatal and child health (RMNCH).

In 2021, Belgium spent 47 million Euros on SRHR - including those 34 million Euros specifically allocated to SRH/FP -, which is equivalent to 2,1% of its ODA. Belgian support to the broader SRHR agenda is mainly reflected in core funding, including to the GFATM and UNAIDS, followed by government-to-government cooperation, in line with SRH/FP financial trends.

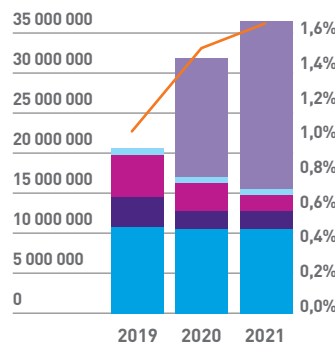
Even though Belgium has been prioritising government-to-government cooperation, overall support to UNFPA has remained steady, except for earmarked programmes. The country has kept core support to UNFPA at a high level of 9 million Euros since 2017, in addition to 2 million Euros in contributions to the Supplies Partnership. As with other bodies, Belgium prefers providing core funding over earmarked funding, in order to respect the agencies' decision-making.

## FORECAST

Belgium is expected to keep increasing its support to SRH/FP in 2023, as this is the last year of the multi-annual bilateral cooperation programmes with Burkina Faso, Benin, Senegal, Rwanda and Guinea Republic. It remains however unclear if SRH/FP will be equally highlighted in the new cooperation agreements with those partner countries after 2023.

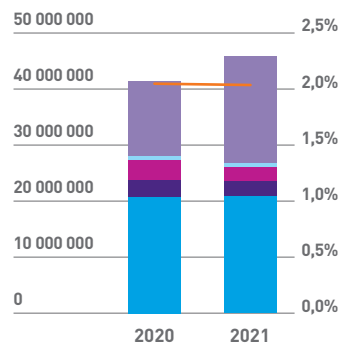
## BELGIUM'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

### SRH/FP SPENDING



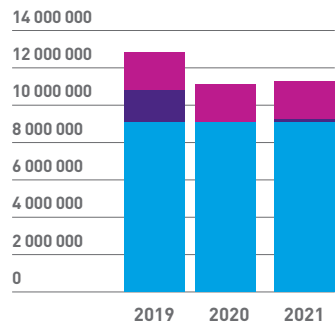
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### SRHR SPENDING



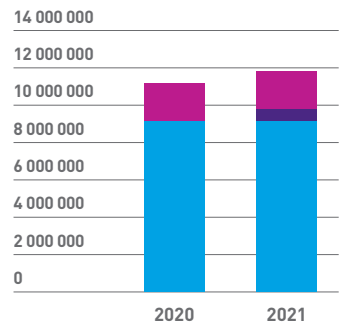
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### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP

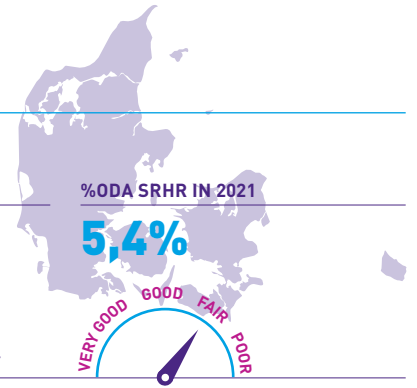


Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



# DENMARK



**D**enmark continues to be a strong political and financial supporter of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). The country was among the co-initiators of the SheDecides initiative, co-hosted the ICPD+25 Summit in Nairobi and led the Action Coalition on SRHR and Bodily Autonomy under the Generation Equality Forum. In 2021-2022, the country adopted "The World We Share", - Denmark's strategy for development cooperation", and the Foreign and Security Policy Strategy, both of which confirm SRHR as a focus area. A new coalition took office in 2022, and it remains to be seen if and how this will impact the country's support to the agenda.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Denmark continues championing sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP), at a similar rate as in 2021. The country spent over 107 million Euros on SRH/FP, which represented 4.4% of total ODA – and compared to 4.7% in 2020. This is the second highest share of ODA included in this analysis, together with Finland. Danish support was mostly observed through the multilateral system. The only reduction was observed in government-to-government support (about €7 million less), in addition to earmarked multilateral funds - to be noted that in 2020 the country supported the French Muskoka initiative, which did not happen in 2021.

Denmark spent almost 132 million Euros on SRHR in 2021, equivalent to 5.4% of total ODA and 8% more than the total expenditure in the previous year, Denmark thus surpassed its 101 million Euros pledge (755 million DKK) to SRHR made at the Generation Equality Forum. SRH/FP represents the bulk of the country's contributions to the SRHR agenda, in addition to broader support to HIV and gender-responsive governance programmes, which include access to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) responses.

In 2021, Denmark continued supporting UNFPA through all channels. While core contributions were kept at the same level as in the previous year, amounting to 30 million Euros, support to the Supplies Partnership was raised by 18%. Danish disbursements to UNFPA earmarked programmes also increased by 9%, benefitting SRH/FP, and 19%, benefitting SRHR. Denmark and UNFPA signed the 'Strategy for Denmark's Engagement with United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) 2022-2025', under which the country commits to core contributions, an earmarked contribution to UNFPA Supplies Partnership and a contribution to UNFPA's humanitarian work.

## FORECAST

As confirmed by the country's Financial Act, and in line with commitments made at the Generation Equality Forum, Denmark is expected to allocate a total of 101 million Euros (755 million DKK) to SRHR also in 2022. The country has committed to provide a core-contribution of 30 million Euros (225 million DKK) to international organizations working for the ICPD agenda and with SRHR. This contribution is estimated to last at least until 2025.

**%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021**

**4,4%**

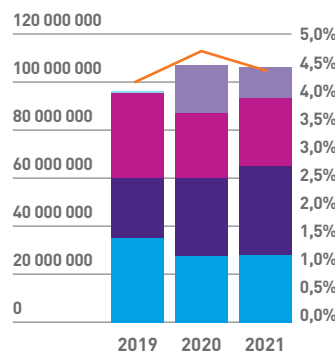
**%ODA SRHR IN 2021**

**5,4%**

**LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY**

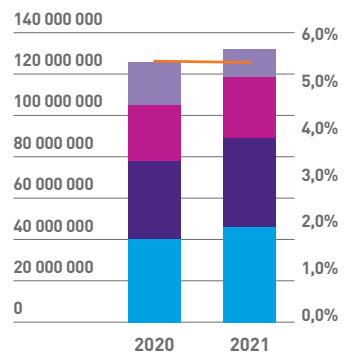
## DENMARK'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

**SRH/FP SPENDING**



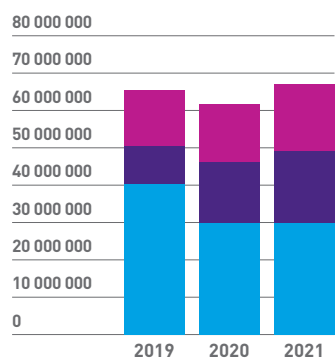
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**SRHR SPENDING**



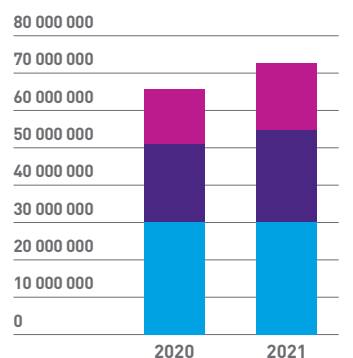
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**CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP**

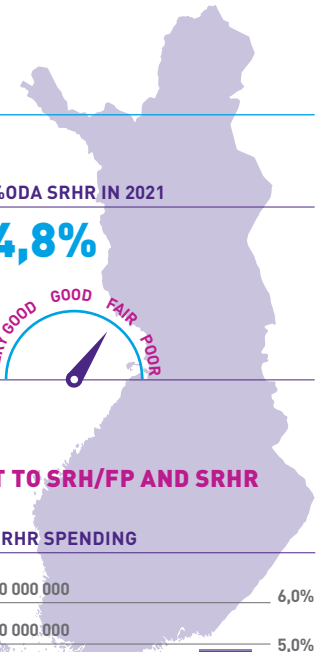


Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR**



# FINLAND



**F**inland is politically and financially committed to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), as the country upholds that this is a pre-condition to achieve the SDGs. This commitment to SRHR has been reflected in the 2019 Humanitarian Policy and the 2021 Report on Development Policy across Parliamentary Terms, which confirms SRHR as a priority for the promotion of the rights of women and girls.

**%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021**

**4%**

**%ODA SRHR IN 2021**

**4,8%**

**LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY**



## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Finland sustained financial support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021. The country allocated almost 49 million Euros to SRH/FP in 2020, equivalent to 4% of total ODA. This is the second highest share of ODA included in this analysis, together with Denmark. Finland is one of the European donors that mostly relies on the multilateral system to advance access to SRH/FP: only 15% of the country's ODA to the agenda is channelled outside the system. Traditionally, Finland does not support SRH/FP through research or government-to-government funding.

Finland also kept the same support level to SRHR compared to the previous year: this amounted to almost 59 million Euros in 2020 or 4.8% of the country's total ODA. The same funding trends can be observed as in the Finnish spending on SRH/FP. In addition to the investment on SRH/FP, Finland supports accountability programmes, on top of abortion-focused NGO IPAS.

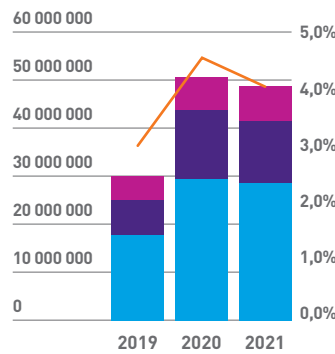
Finland is the country that mostly allocated international cooperation funding to UNFPA as a share of the ODA, amounting to 3.7%. Following the Nairobi ICPD+25 Summit, Finland has been providing 33 million Euros as core funding to the agency, making UNFPA the largest receiver of Finnish core funding among UN organisations. Even so, the country slightly decreased support to the agency benefitting SRH/FP in 2021, with a difference of 1.4 million Euros.

## FORECAST

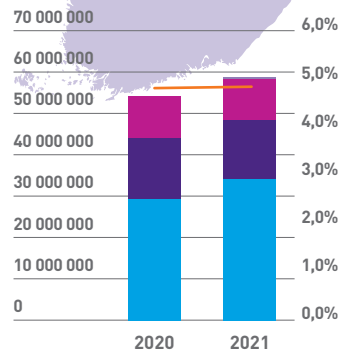
In 2022, Finland set SRHR as one of the priorities for funding of international organisations and initiatives, so at least the same level of funding can be expected. 2023 will be a year of general elections, so it remains to be seen how support to the SRHR agenda will shape in the future.

## FINLAND'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

**SRH/FP SPENDING**



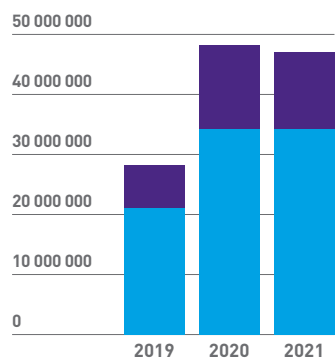
**SRHR SPENDING**



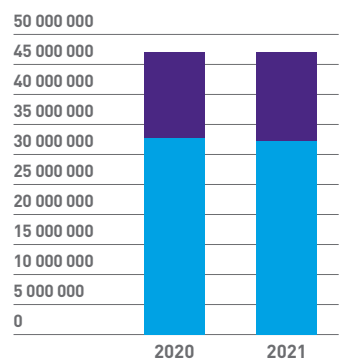
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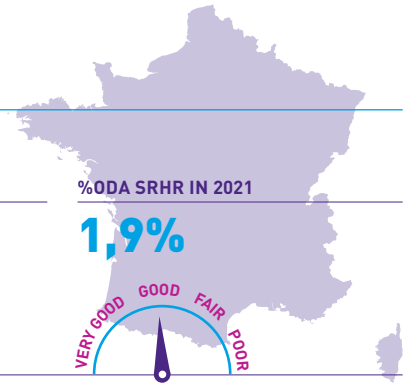


**CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR**



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

# FRANCE



After President Macron made gender equality a “great cause” of his presidency, France has launched a feminist foreign policy and co-hosted the Generation Equality Forum (GEF), which boosted the country’s support to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). In 2021, France adopted its National Law on Development which establishes free and equal access to SRH services as a priority and FP as an indicator.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

France was the European donor that mostly increased support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021, both in nominal and relative terms. The country provided 114 million Euros to SRH/FP, 47% more than in 2020, and which represented 0.8% of ODA. Funding more than doubled to organisations and initiatives and tripled to earmarked multilateral projects. Funding channelled through government-to-government, however, remains the most significant stream (40% of total contributions).

Contributions to SRHR reached a level of 270 million Euros in 2021, or 11% more than in 2020. As for SRH/FP funding, this increase was mostly observed on earmarked programmes and organisations & initiatives. Despite this higher level of support, SRHR funding as a share of total ODA was slightly smaller in 2021, as ODA significantly increased compared to the previous year. France provides significant core contributions to the Global Fund to fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) and its focus on essential HIV services. In addition to this HIV prevention and control, the French government has been further supporting the SRHR agenda through comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) initiatives, promoted by both the multilateral system and international organisations and initiatives.

France has significantly increased its support to UNFPA in 2021. The biggest surge is observed in support to the UNFPA Supplies Partnership, which received 18 million Euros, marking new funding since 2017 and the second highest contribution across the board.

## FORECAST

France seems to be on track with its pledge made at the Generation Equality Forum: 90 million Euros to UNFPA Supplies, 5 million Euros to the SEMA initiative and 5 million Euros to the ODAS programme for access to safe abortion. Increased funding is expected in 2022.

**%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021**

**0,8%**

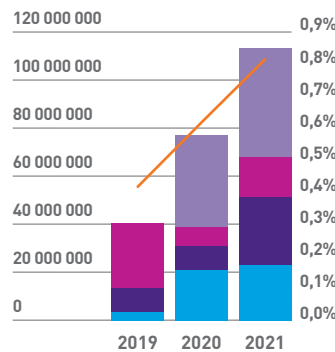
**%ODA SRHR IN 2021**

**1,9%**

**LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY**

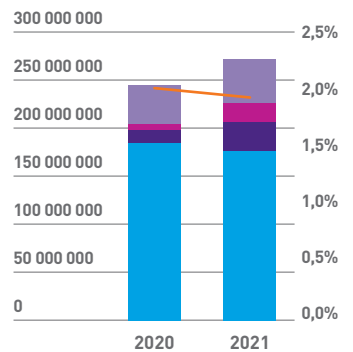
## FRANCE'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

**SRH/FP SPENDING**



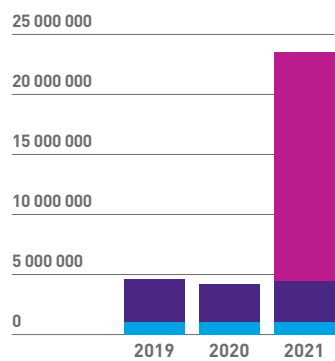
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**SRHR SPENDING**



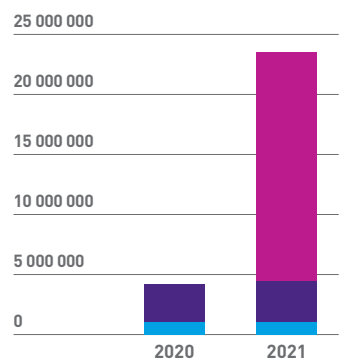
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**CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP**



Core Other UNFPA projects

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR**



Supplies Partnership

# GERMANY

Over the last years, the leadership of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) has continued its support for sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). In 2020, the BMZ started a structural reform process entitled "BMZ 2030" that included family planning as one of ten 'initiative themes' on which the Ministry will continue its bilateral cooperation. During its G7 presidency in 2022, Germany together with its G7 partners reaffirmed commitment to achieve comprehensive SRHR for all and recognized the essential and transformative role of SRHR in gender equality.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Germany decreased support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021 by 15%, amounting to 96 million Euros in total. This reduction followed a significant increment in 2020 as part of the BMZ budget in response to the COVID-19 pandemic; but even with this decline, overall levels of funding remained significantly higher compared to 2019.

Contributions to SRHR reached a level of almost 341 million Euros in 2021, which represents sustained levels compared to 2020 (-2%). This is equivalent to 1.1% of the country's ODA that year. All funding streams increased in 2021, except for core multilateral funding, which was kept at the same level as in the previous year.

At the Nairobi Summit in 2019, Germany pledged 100 million Euros annually in government-to-government cooperation for the BMZ Initiative on Rights-based Family Planning and Maternal Health until 2023. Data on disbursement of such funding is however only available for 2020: 188 million Euros. This inclusion in the above analysis would have changed SRH/FP and SRHR support as a share of the country's ODA from 0.4% to 1.1% and from 1.3% to 1.9%, respectively. In the absence of such data, core funding continues to be by far the main stream for Germany's support to both SRH/FP and SRHR.

Germany reduced support to UNFPA by 41%, totalling 43 million Euros in 2021. This was mainly due to a reduction of core contributions and support to the Supplies Partnership, both of which had increased in the previous year.

## FORECAST

German funding is expected to be kept at the same levels at least until 2023, given commitments done under the BMZ Initiative on Rights-based Family Planning and Maternal Health. A new strategy that anchors the area of "Population Policy and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights" as a field of action in the BMZ 2030 reform process will also be published in 2023, and it is to be confirmed how it will influence future funding.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

0,3%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

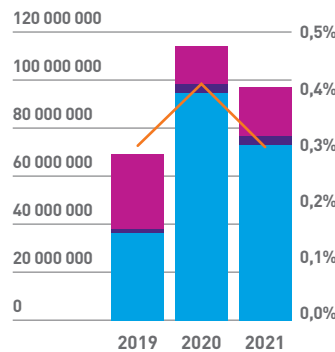
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LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY <sup>1</sup>

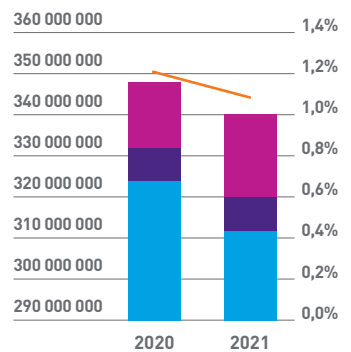


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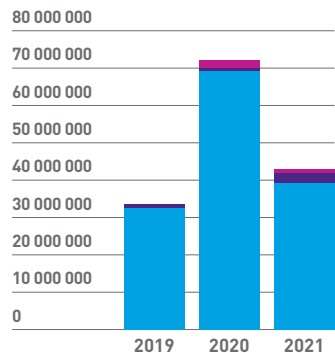
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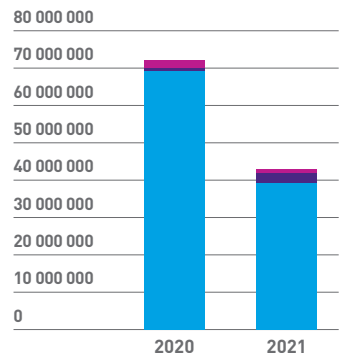
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### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



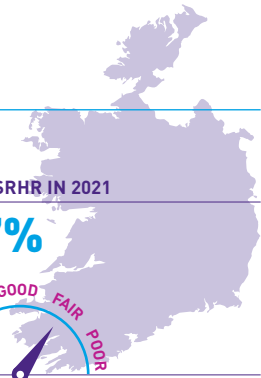
### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

1. Germany improved its rating, as a result of an average between the Aid transparency index and Publish What You Fund.

# IRELAND



The Irish government launched a new international cooperation policy in 2019, entitled 'A Better World', which strongly signals that Ireland will take a proactive, rights-based approach to SRH and work towards the fulfilment of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). In a significant departure from previous policies, SRHR is mainstreamed throughout the document, which includes a commitment to a new initiative on SRHR.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

2,9%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

4,7%

LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Ireland disbursed 28 million Euros to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021, which is 2.9% of total ODA. This also represents a 42% increase of funding compared to the previous year, making Ireland one of the countries with the highest surge in support to SRH/FP. This increase is mostly due to more comprehensive reporting methods from Irish Aid, in addition to new funding of a joint programme from UNICEF-UNFPA, which justifies the double amount allocated to earmarked programmes. Government-to-government cooperation was the stream mostly used by the country.

As in 2020, contributions to SRHR increased significantly given Irish support also to HIV prevention and control and prevention of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV): total funding in 2021 amounted to 45.6 million Euros or 4.7% of total ODA. This is also an increase in absolute terms compared to the previous year of about 25%. As with SRH/FP, the country does not invest in research for SRHR.

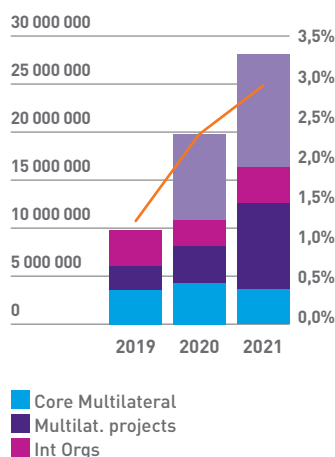
UNFPA remains a key partner to support the implementation of Irish policy on SRHR. In 2018, the Tánaiste (Deputy Prime Minister) and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade committed to bringing the annual core contribution to UNFPA up to 3.5 million Euros, which remained the level of disbursement up to 2021. Support to UNFPA earmarked programmes however decreased in 2021, partially due to the new reporting methods.

## FORECAST

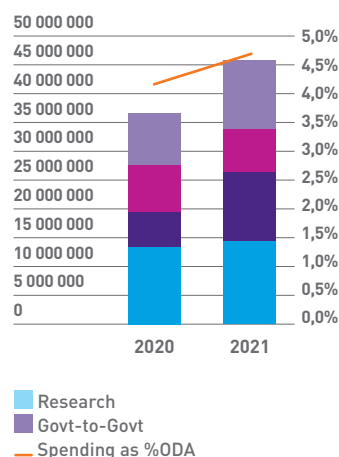
Ireland has committed 1.2 billion Euros to ODA for 2023, an increase of 200 million compared to the previous year and the eighth consecutive year that ODA funding has grown. It remains to be seen how this will be translated into funding for SRH/FP and SRHR.

## IRELAND'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

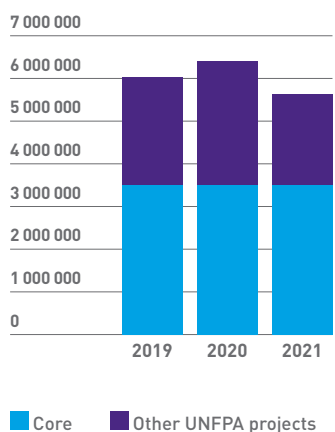
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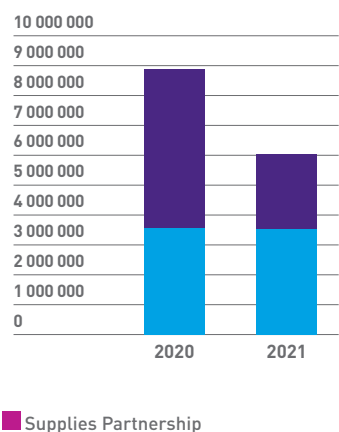
### SRHR SPENDING



### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



### CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



# ITALY

Italy's strategic priorities for international cooperation are spelled out in the 'Three-year cooperation programming and policy orientation plan 2021 – 2023'. Priority is given to initiatives aimed to promote gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls, combating all forms of violence and ensuring access to sexual and reproductive health, among others. Following the 2022 general elections in Italy, a right-wing government came into office with a conservative view on the SRHR agenda which might impact both the policies relating to women's rights in Italy and in international cooperation.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2021, Italy disbursed 19 million Euros for sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP), equivalent to 0,3% of the country's ODA. Most of these funds was channelled through the multilateral system (77%), mainly as core funding.

In 2021, Italy's contributions to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) reached a level of 50.5 million Euros, more than double than what the country spends on SRH/FP. This represented 0.9% of Italy's ODA that year. Such difference is mainly due to the emphasis that Italy places in preventing sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) and fighting HIV/AIDS.

In 2021, Italy disbursed 8 million Euros to UNFPA benefitting SRH/FP and 10 million benefitting SRHR. This was mostly channelled through earmarked programmes focused on the fight against harmful practices and SGBV, in addition to humanitarian aid.

## FORECAST

Given the orientation of the right-wing government in office since October 2022, with a more domestically oriented agenda and the current conflict in Ukraine, resources allocated to international cooperation are expected to decrease in the years to come, with a high probability to affect the SRH/FP and SRHR agenda. Contributions to SRHR through the UN system are however expected to be kept at the same level, in line with Italy's multilateral vocation and Italy's commitments made at the Generation Equality Forum.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

0,3%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

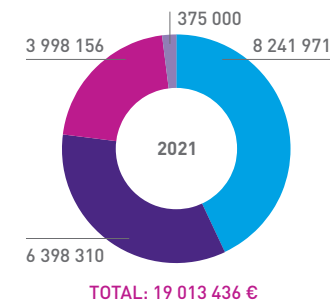
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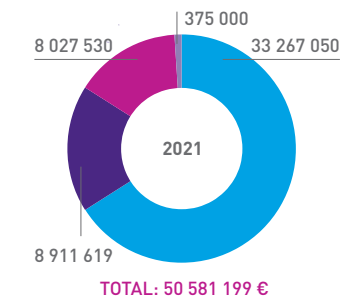


## ITALY'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

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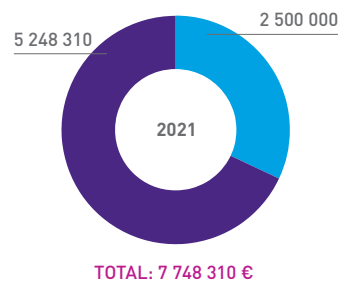
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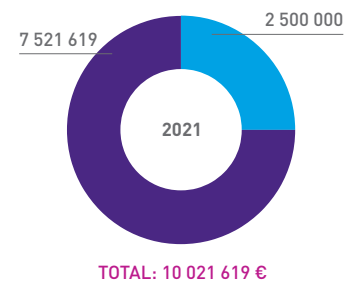
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership



# THE NETHERLANDS

The government of the Netherlands implements a policy that combines international cooperation with trade and investments. This policy entitled "Investing in Global Prospects" was renewed, adapted and launched in 2018, and it confirmed sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) as a priority. In 2022, the Netherlands launched the policy document "Do what we do best" and the "Dutch Global Health Strategy 2023-2030", both of which mention SRHR as a priority theme.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

5,7%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

7,5%

LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Dutch investments on sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) remained steady in 2021, with the country spending 254 million Euros. This is equivalent to 5.7% of the country's ODA, which is the highest ratio of SRH/FP spending within the country's total assistance among European donors. The Netherlands significantly contributed to the agenda through international organisations and initiatives, as the Dutch government started implementing Strategic Partnership Agreements with alliances of NGOs since 2016.

Investments on SRHR have instead increased: in 2021, the Netherlands disbursed 337 million Euros for SRHR, which represented 7.5% of the country's ODA. Once again, this is highest weight attributed to European donor countries. In addition to UNFPA, the country's most significant core contributions to SRHR were allocated to the GFATM and UNAIDS. This allocation reflects the Netherlands' commitment to include HIV/AIDS related issues in the country's respect for, protection and provision of universal access to SRHR.

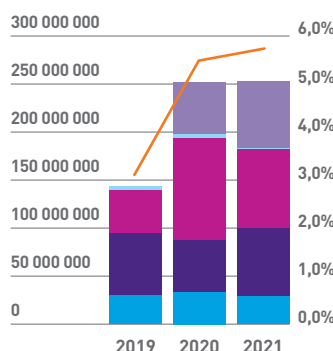
The Netherlands increased financial support to UNFPA in 2021, be it for SRH/FP (+28%) or SRHR (+33%). This was mainly due to contributions to the Supplies Partnership, which almost tripled compared to the previous year, and making the country the highest contributor to the Partnership in 2021. Core support remains stable since 2018, at the level of 33 million Euros.

## FORECAST

Starting in 2023, the budget line covering SRHR also includes global health. Total official expenditure by the Dutch government for SRHR including HIV/AIDS is expected to continue to increase in 2022, amounting to 579 million Euros, still to be discussed in parliament. This level of investment is however expected to decrease in 2023, down to 530 million Euros.

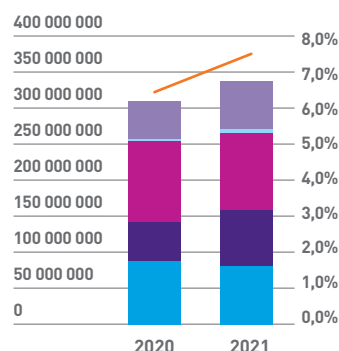
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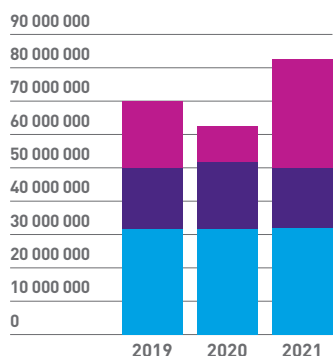
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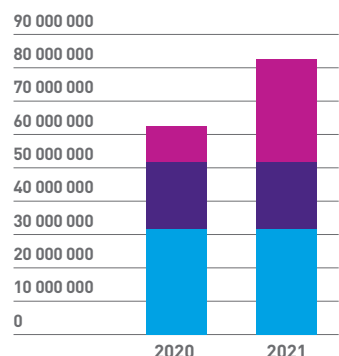
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR





# NORWAY

In September 2021, Norway held parliamentary elections that led to a change of government. The newly elected leadership defined six priority areas for Norwegian ODA in the upcoming period, one of which is women's bodily autonomy. In 2022, the country adopted earmarked funding for comprehensive sexuality education (CSE), in line with the vocal support from the Minister of Development.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Norway kept (-2%) its level of funding to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021, totalling 136 million Euros, or 3.4% of total ODA. Funding to all streams was kept at the same level as in 2020. Norway mostly relies on the multilateral system to promote access to SRH/FP (65%).

In line with the financial commitments made during the Nairobi Summit in 2019<sup>1</sup>, Norwegian support to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) is significantly higher than only looking at SRH/FP, given Norwegian support also to comprehensive sexuality education (CSE), safe abortion and prevention of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV): total funding in 2021 amounted to 230 million Euros, equivalent to 5.7% of total ODA. Once more, government-to-government and research were the only channels that Norway did not use to advance SRH/FP or SRHR.

In 2021, Norway increased support to UNFPA benefitting both SRH/FP and SRHR, amounting to 85 and 89 million Euros, respectively. This was mainly due to enhanced support to earmarked programmes and to the Supplies Partnership, which increased by about 50%. A significant portion of disbursed funds through these initiatives was allocated to humanitarian assistance, in line with the country's ICPD+25 commitments.

## FORECAST

Norway is expected to increase core contributions to UNFPA, in addition to support to the Supplies Partnership, in 2022, as announced at the Generation Equality Forum. Contributions to SRHR are expected to be at least sustained, in line with the pledge done in the context of ICPD+25.

1. To be noted that Norway's commitment to ICPD+25 separates SRHR from harmful practices and SGBV, which are instead aggregated in this analysis.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

3,4%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

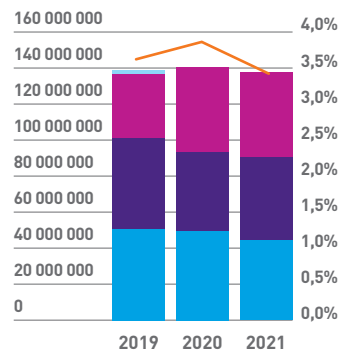
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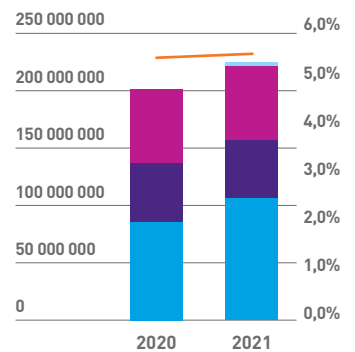


## NORWAY'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

SRH/FP SPENDING



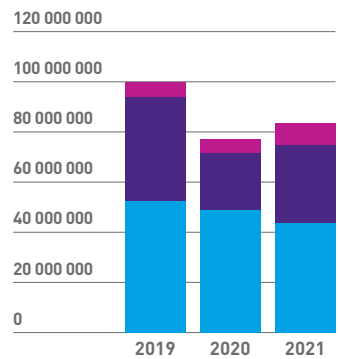
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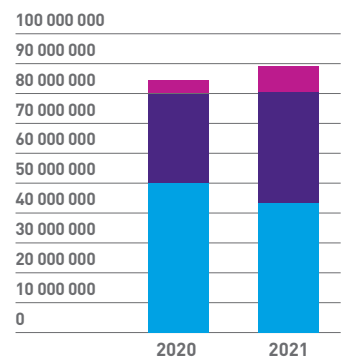
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership



# SPAIN

Since a new progressive governmental coalition entered office in 2019, Spain has been increasingly committed to greater international leadership. The current government has consistently expressed commitment to a feminist approach in international cooperation and, subsequently, to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). This positioning led to the adoption in 2021 of a new 'Feminist foreign policy' and its guidelines in 2022, which includes the active promotion of gender equality as a fundamental axis of Spanish foreign policy.

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2021, Spain increased support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) compared to the previous year, amounting to almost 8 million Euros, and equivalent to 0.3% of total ODA. The country's support to the agenda was mainly done through the country's use of the multilateral system and support to international organisations and initiatives. Part of the Spanish support to SRH/FP is channelled through integrated responses to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) including in humanitarian contexts, in line with the country's commitments in ICPD+25.

Spanish contributions to SRHR were more than triple than SRH/FP in 2021, amounting to around 24 million Euros or 0.8% of total ODA of the country. This was also due to the country's core contributions to the Global Fund to fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM), which also tripled since 2020. The country's focus on approaches that change social norms and prevent SGBV, going beyond SRH/FP, also justify this difference of spending levels.

Spain substantially increased its SRH/FP support to UNFPA compared to 2020 (21%), bringing it to 3.7 million Euros. This was mainly due to increased support through earmarked programmes and to the Supplies Partnership (25%), and despite the absence of core funding, for the first time since 2016. Spanish support to SRHR via UNFPA also increased by 33%, amounting to 5 million Euros, and illustrating the country's focus on changing norms.

## FORECAST

The Spanish government is expected to increase its 2022 budget for international cooperation by 60% compared to 2021. Available information indicates that the country will at least sustain the level of funding benefitting SRH/FP or SRHR, with new core funding going to UNFPA and IPPF, and a significant part to be channelled through the GFATM. It remains to be seen if this positive forecast will however be impacted by Spanish general elections, expected in the end of 2023.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

0,3%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

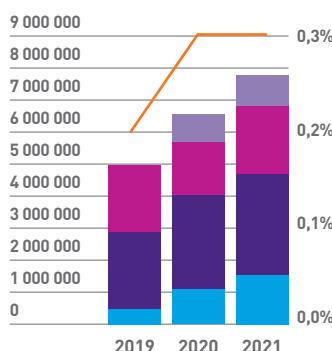
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LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



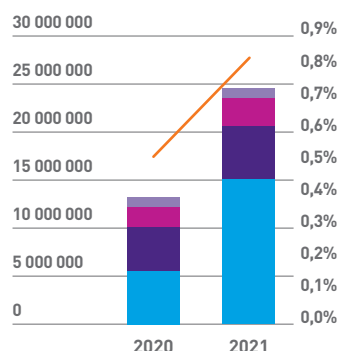
## SPAIN'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

SRH/FP SPENDING



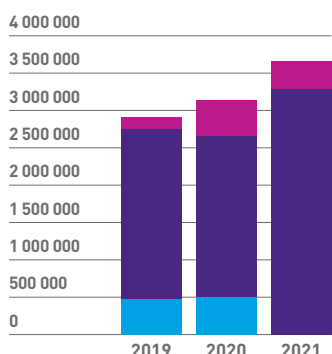
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRH/FP



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



# SWEDEN

Sweden has remained committed to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) as a priority area within international cooperation and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. Swedish general elections in 2022 resulted in a minority government with the unprecedented support of the far-right Sweden Democrats. Right after the elections, it was announced that Sweden will no longer use the nomenclature 'feminist foreign policy' as it had been the case since 2014, being the first country implementing a policy of the kind. The country also adopted the Strategy for SRHR in Africa 2022-2026, which was approved with a total budget of 3.5 billion SEK (about €345 million).

## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

Sweden kept the same level of support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021 as in the previous year, amounting to 176 million Euros and equivalent to 3.5% of total ODA. The country reduced support through the multilateral system, but this was offset by increased contributions through international organisations and initiatives.

Contributions to SRHR increase significantly compared to those on SRH/FP, given Swedish support also to safe abortion, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex or Questioning (LGBTIQ+) people and prevention of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV): total funding in 2021 amounted to over 282 million Euros or 5.6% of total ODA. Government-to-government is the only stream that Sweden does not use in this context.

As in 2020, Sweden was the European country under this analysis that mostly funded UNFPA, with a total contribution of 114 million Euros for SRH/FP and 116 million Euros for SRHR – and even though the country does not support the Supplies Partnership. The country thus sustained the level of funding to the agency in 2021, which had increased compared to 2019, due to the additional "SRHR and COVID-19" programmes at country level.

## FORECAST

The new Government announced that there will be a gradual decrease of the ODA level, aiming at reaching 0.7% of GNI spent on ODA by 2025, abandoning the 1% minimum. Moreover, in December 2022, it was announced that Sweden will reduce core support to multilaterals, in detriment of the crisis in Ukraine. Cuts have been made in core support to UNFPA, UNAIDS and UN WOMEN, which will lead to the reduction of SRHR funding. However, at the same time, the Government gave SIDA a mandate to develop a new global SRHR strategy. Once approved and resourced, this strategy may result in additional funding to global SRHR initiatives.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

3,5%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

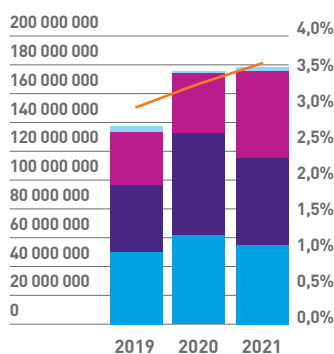
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LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY

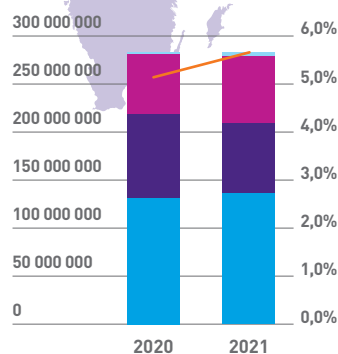


## SWEDEN'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

SRH/FP SPENDING



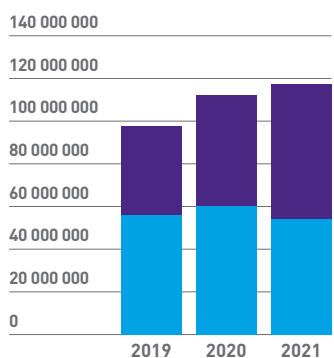
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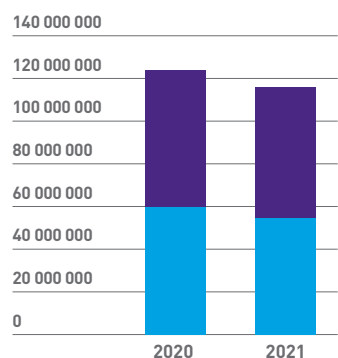
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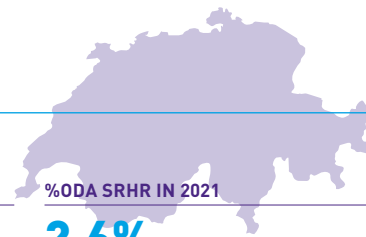


CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



Core Other UNFPA projects Supplies Partnership

# SWITZERLAND



Switzerland contributes to the improvement of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) through concrete programmes and active collaboration with international organisations. The promotion of SRHR is framed under three different angles: health, human rights and gender equality. The Global Programme Health, which is the programme framework for 2021-2024, includes access to modern methods of family planning as a key indicator. In 2022, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC) published the "Health Guidance 2022-24", which includes interventions for strengthening health systems to better respond to public health challenges, including SRHR.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

1,3%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

2,6%

LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2021, Switzerland kept the same level of funding to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP), amounting to almost 42 million Euros and equivalent to 1.3% of total ODA. Support to earmarked programmes was slightly reduced compared to 2020, but this was offset by increased contributions via government-to-government.

The country mostly relies on the multilateral system to advance the SRHR agenda: 61% of Swiss support was channelled through core or earmarked multilateral programmes. Contributions to SRHR more than double compared to SRH/FP given the country's support also to HIV prevention and control and integrated preventive and responsive solutions to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV): total funding in 2021 amounted to 87 million Euros, representing 2.6% of total ODA.

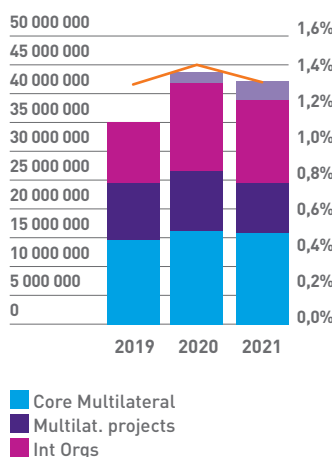
Switzerland's support to UNFPA has also remained stable across the years. Core support to the agency has been kept at a high level of approximately 14 million Euros since 2014. Investments on earmarked programmes for SRH/FP and SRHR increased in 2021, by 13% and 21%, respectively. The increase of the latter has been mainly focused on initiatives on SGBV prevention.

## FORECAST

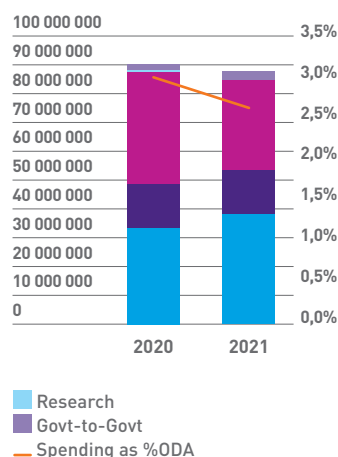
There is no available information for a financial forecast, but Swiss support is expected to be at least sustained given the commitment expressed in the different policy frameworks.

## SWITZERLAND'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

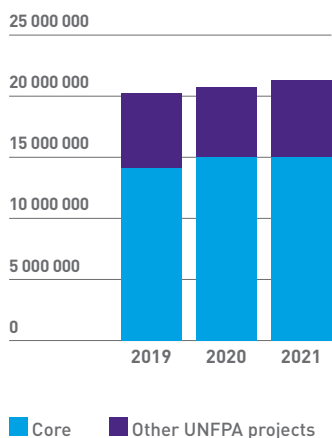
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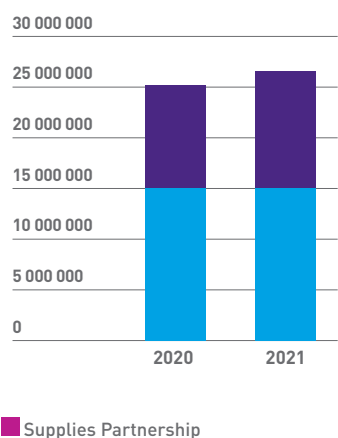
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# UNITED KINGDOM

The UK has been one of the largest European donors of ODA and has repeatedly been the largest contributor to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) in monetary terms. In 2020, the Department for International Development (DFID) and Foreign and Commonwealth Office merged to form the new Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO). The UK reduced its commitment of 0.7% GNI to ODA to 0.5% for 2021 and beyond until fiscal tests are met. The UK government currently predicts this will be in 2027/28.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

2,6%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

5,3%

LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

The UK curtailed funding levels for sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) in 2021, amounting to 242 million Euros, or 2.6% of total ODA. This is the second consecutive decrease observed in UK's contributions to the agenda, this time amounting to -35% of investments. This decrease was observed in all streams, with the most significant cut coming from government-to-government, followed by international organisations and initiatives.

Contributions to SRHR also decreased by 23%, reaching a level of 503 million Euros in 2021, equivalent to 5.3% of total ODA: this significant difference from SRH/FP spending is due to core contributions to the Global Fund to fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) and its focus on essential HIV services, as the UK was one of the major donors supporting the Fund. The UK has recently announced its intention to restore a level of funding to GFATM from 2023-2025. The British government has been further supporting the SRHR agenda through other HIV initiatives, in addition to sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) prevention and safe abortion. The country mostly invests in the multilateral system to advance the SRHR agenda (80%).

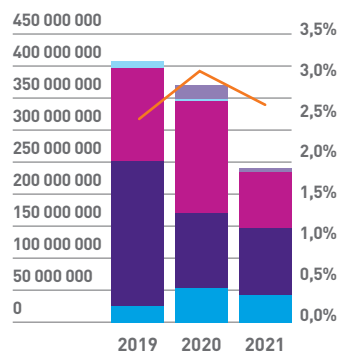
British contributions to UNFPA decreased by 15% compared to 2020; this followed a reduction of 61% observed between 2019 and 2020, mainly due to curtailed support to the UNFPA Supplies Partnership. Support to the Partnership amounted to 24 million Euros, which is almost five times more than in the previous year. This increase is still below the UK's ICPD+25 commitment of 484 million Euros (£425 million) for UNFPA Supplies between 2020-2025. Core support and earmarked programmes, both for SRH/FP and SRHR, decreased in 2021.

## FORECAST

Overall British investments in SRHR are expected to continue to decrease given the country's announcement of reducing both the 0.7% ODA/GNI target to only 0.5% for 2021 and beyond and increase of ODA being spent outside of the FCDO on in-donor refugee costs.

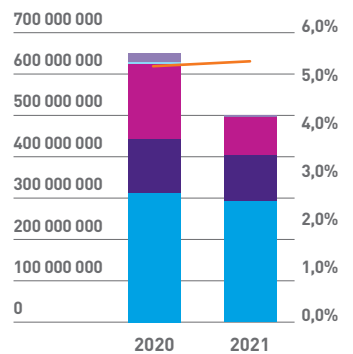
## UK'S FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO SRH/FP AND SRHR

SRH/FP SPENDING



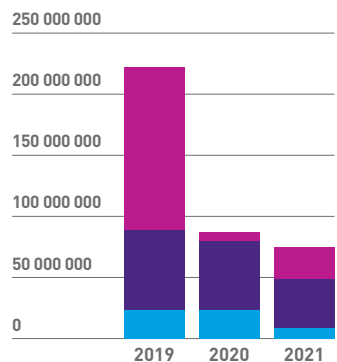
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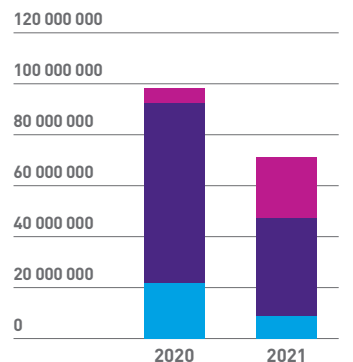
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CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNFPA - SRHR



# EU INSTITUTIONS



The EU is a unique actor: through contributions from its Member States, it is the biggest multilateral donor worldwide. The EU institutions remain committed to the promotion of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), as reflected in the European Consensus on Development. Recently, the EU reaffirmed this commitment in the new funding instrument for EU cooperation – the 'Neighbourhood, Development, and International Cooperation Instrument/Global Europe (NDICI/GE)' and the new EU's Gender Action Plan, among others.

%ODA SRH/FP IN 2021

0,4%

%ODA SRHR IN 2021

2%

LEVEL OF ODA TRANSPARENCY



## MATCHING POLICIES TO FINANCING TRENDS

In 2021, EU support to sexual and reproductive health and family planning (SRH/FP) amounted to 78 million Euros, a substantial decrease compared to 2020 (23%). Curtailed support was mostly observed in funds channelled through international organisations and initiatives, and government-to-government cooperation. This may be partially justified by the fact that 2020 marks the end of a financial period for the EU institutions, and overall support had significantly increased in 2020. To note that the EU only provides core funding to the Global Fund to fight AIDS Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM).

In 2021, EU contributions to SRHR reached a level of 372 million Euros, which is almost five times what it spends on SRH/FP. Such difference is mainly due to support to the GFATM, which was thirty times bigger compared to 2020. It is also due to EU contributions to the EU-UN Spotlight Initiative, which aims to eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls. Although it is expected that only a small share of this Fund will directly benefit SRH/FP, this has been considered a major EU initiative to advance SRHR, by preventing and protecting against sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV). In addition to this initiative, the EU further promotes change of social norms, including for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Intersex or Queer (LGBTIQ+) people, through international organisations and initiatives.

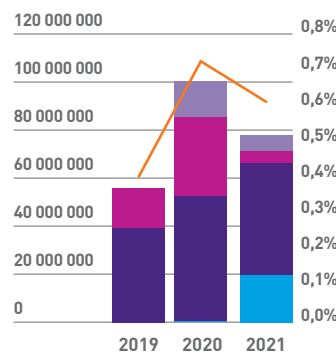
UNFPA is a recurrent recipient of EU funding, having received around 34 million Euros for SRH/FP in 2021, and 38 million for SRHR, all of which was channelled through earmarked programmes, namely for humanitarian assistance. This was the second year that the EU did not contribute to UNFPA Supplies Partnership, supported since 2012, as disbursements to its multiannual pledge came to an end in 2019.

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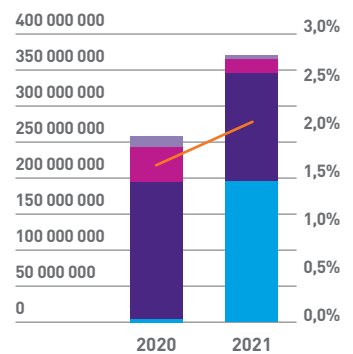
Even though it is not possible to identify a financial forecast for SRH/FP or SRHR, support from EU institutions is expected to be at least sustained given the commitment expressed in the different multiannual EU policy frameworks, and the new Team Europe Initiative on SRHR in Sub-Saharan Africa, which will include 60 million Euros for 2023–2027. It is also expected that the EU will continue funding the UNFPA Supplies Partnership through the NDICI/GE instrument, with a new funding commitment for the next three years.

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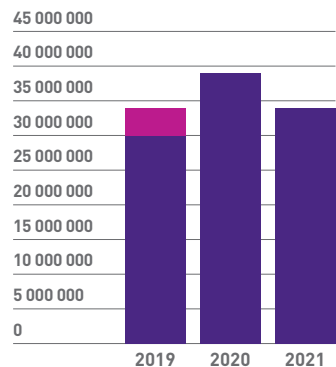
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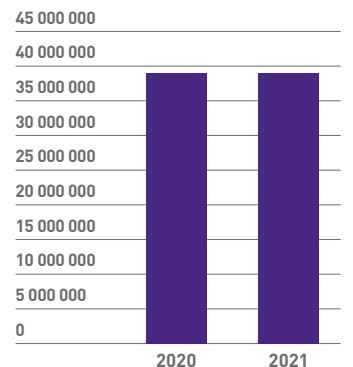
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