

Ouagadougou's
Partnership

15 Achievements Over 15 Years (2011-2026)



Context

In celebration of the PO's 15th anniversary, we're highlighting 15 major achievements that have shaped the past 15 years.

These successes were made possible because countries, donors, and partners trusted this unique regional platform for family planning.

To the nine countries, directors of maternal and child health, civil society, women, youth, and technical and financial partners, thank you!

These results and successes are also yours !

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A UNIQUE REGIONAL GOVERNANCE

9 countries, one voice. The OP is the only multi-stakeholder mechanism that systematically brings together the governments of **Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Guinea, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, and Togo** around a common vision: where easy access to quality family planning saves and improves the lives of women and young people and serves as a catalyst for sustainable development for all.



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CUMULATIVE IMPACT OF THE OP (2011-2025)

Thanks to the increased use of modern contraceptive methods between 2011 and 2025, OP countries have helped avert:

Approximately

30,3 M

UNINTENDED
PREGNANCIES

Approximately

8,9 M

UNSAFE
ABORTIONS

Approximately

1,8 M

MATERNAL
DEATHS

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A REGIONAL COORDINATION TO SUPPORT COUNTRIES

The Ouagadougou Partnership Coordination Unit facilitates improved collaboration among all stakeholders—including **governments, donors, civil society, and technical partners**—to enhance support for countries and accelerate progress in family planning within the sub-region.

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COSTED IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (CIPS) AND FP2030 COMMITMENTS IN ALL NINE COUNTRIES

A key achievement of the Ouagadougou Partnership is assisting each of the nine member countries in creating and revising their Strategic Plans (Costed Implementation Plan, SRMNIA plan). These plans turn political commitments into specific, funded, and measurable actions. At the same time, all nine countries have officially committed to **FP2030**, reaffirming their long-term focus on family planning.

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TARGETS EXCEEDED

1.3 million additional users reached, exceeding the 1 million target set for 2015



2.4 million additional users reached, exceeding the 2.2 million target set for 2020



resulting in a total increase of over 4 million users. This growth contributed to preventing 18.8 million unintended pregnancies and averting 63,740 maternal deaths.



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A STRONG INSTITUTIONAL FOUNDATION

- ✳ The OP is acknowledged by the leading health authorities in the sub-region and is supported by the ministries themselves, through high-level government focal points in each of the nine member countries.
- ✳ The OP has driven the establishment of family planning structures within the ministries of health.
- ✳ The OP has helped develop Costed Implementation Plan (CIPs) and formal commitments under FP2030, turning family planning into well-funded and monitored national priorities.
- ✳ The OP's efforts have also influenced political and budget decisions.

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FREE FAMILY PLANNING SERVICES IN BURKINA FASO AND CÔTE D'IVOIRE

Two historical decisions that demonstrate the strength of the Partnership's advocacy efforts.

Burkina Faso set a precedent by making FP free nationwide through a decree, with Côte d'Ivoire following suit in 2024, taking a similar decisive step.



Although these decisions are made by the States, the OP played a crucial role in fostering a supportive political environment and advocating for this progress.

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FLEXIBILITY IN RESPONDING TO GLOBAL CHANGES

Amid geopolitical upheavals, shrinking international funding, and humanitarian crises transforming the sub-region, the Ouagadougou Partnership has proactively adjusted its strategy to stay resilient and relevant as a regional leader, guided by an engaged and visionary advisory council.

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STRONG AND RENEWED PARTNERSHIPS

Over the years, the partnership has established strong and structured partnerships. These are made possible by results and the dynamism of the regional collaboration.

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THE RESEARCH AGENDA

The OP has become a leading regional center for evidence and learning in family planning, contributing to evidence-based decision-making and advocacy.



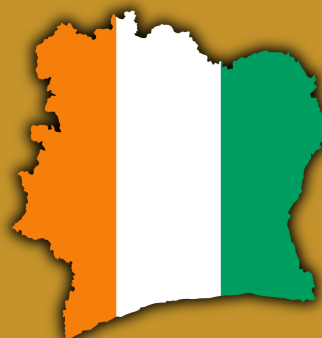
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A HISTORIC PLEDGE BY CÔTE D'IVOIRE

The Family Planning budget has increased from 400 million to 2.5 billion CFA francs.

At the 2023 Ouagadougou Partnership Annual Meeting (OPAM) in Côte d'Ivoire, the Prime Minister announced a significant commitment: the national budget for family planning product and commodity procurement **rose from 400 million to 2.5 billion CFA francs**. This historic move exemplifies what the OP strives to achieve: strong political will translated into tangible and sustainable budgetary measures.



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YOUTH LEADERSHIP REMAINS CENTRAL TO THE PARTNERSHIP

Young people make up most of the population in Francophone West Africa, making their needs a top priority. The OP has created two supportive structures: **Youth Leads**, who serve within the UCPO for two years, and **Youth Focal Points**, stationed across nine countries to lobby at the national level. **The Youth Think Tank** (YTT) organizes young individuals from the region to shape reproductive health policies, emphasizing their role as active change agents rather than just beneficiaries.



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CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE MEDIA, STRATEGIC ALLIES OF THE PARTNERSHIP

Aware that sustainable transformations are also built from communities, the OP has made engaging civil society and the media a strategic priority. A new strategy dedicated to civil society has been developed to adapt and sustain this engagement in the new regional context. Simultaneously, the **Journalists' Competition**, held every two years, rewards the best media productions on FP and helps embed the topic in public debate well beyond institutional circles.

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A STRONGER FRENCH-SPEAKING VOICE, FROM THE REGIONAL TO THE INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

The Ouagadougou Partnership Annual Meeting (OPAM) is the only regional forum that brings together all family planning stakeholders each year to take stock, align priorities, and make collective decisions.



On the international stage, the OP has transformed the role of French speakers: **at ICFP 2025 in Bogotá, 617 abstracts were submitted in French, compared to 320 in 2022; there were 40 sessions featuring French-speaking participants; and six young people from the Think Tank Jeunes were recognized as Youth Trailblazers.**

The voice of the French-speaking community, which for a long time went largely unheard, now resonates powerfully on the global stage.



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AIMING FOR 13 MILLION USERS BY 2030

A course that remains steadfast. By increasing the target from 6.5 million in 2020 to **13 million** in 2030, the OP shows it can set ambitious yet achievable goals.

6,5 M

13 M



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