



About the IHF

Established in 1929, the IHF’s founding ambition was for the world’s hospital and healthcare systems to learn from each other to improve health service delivery. As the voice of the international healthcare community, we have come a long way; connecting healthcare leaders to share knowledge, ideas, and good practices for over 90 years. Today, we have membership representation from over 130 different organizations in more than 60 countries across the world. Through these members, we are connected to over 20,000 hospitals and healthcare systems. We are united by the simple truth that well-managed hospitals improve health outcomes for everyone, everywhere. This IHF Strategic Plan establishes our course for 2023–2025.

Overview

The IHF Strategic Plan 2023–2025 is a framework that sets out: **our vision** (why we do what we do), **our mission** (what we do and how we do it), **our goals** (what we need to achieve to realize our mission and vision) and **our priorities** (where we need to focus our resources to make this happen).

This strategic framework will enable the IHF to better meet its members’ needs and become a stronger voice for hospitals on the global stage ahead of the organization’s 100th year anniversary. The IHF Secretariat will oversee the overall implementation of this strategic plan, and will report back on progress annually to the IHF Governing Council and the IHF General Assembly.

Our vision	Our vision is a world of healthy communities served by well-managed hospitals and healthcare services, where individuals can reach their highest potential for health.		
Our mission	We connect healthcare leaders and their hospitals through international knowledge exchange and showcasing good practices. We support healthcare leaders to excel with training and professional development opportunities. Through our members, we are the voice of hospitals on the global stage.		
Our goals	To enhance and build upon the IHF’s value proposition for our members.	To strengthen the voice of hospitals on the global stage.	To maximize the organizational capacity and impact of the IHF.
Our priorities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish the World Hospital Congress as the 'go to' global event for healthcare leaders. Enhance and sustain high-value deliverables for IHF members; Continue to develop and offer training and professional development opportunities. Identify and test new offerings for IHF members. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a deeper understanding of what topics matter to healthcare leaders within our global community. Advocate on these issues for our members, and continue to strengthen relationships with influential global healthcare organizations, such as the World Health Organization. To secure new members in underrepresented regions. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Broaden strategic partnerships across the healthcare sector and beyond to advance the mission of the IHF. Diversify the IHF’s funding channels. Enhance the IHF’s organizational structures and resources to ensure the successful realization of our mission and vision.