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BACKGROUND AND MISSION

Enfants du Monde (EdM) is a Swiss non-profit organization based in Geneva, and has been providing quality education and health services to children and their mothers in some of the poorest countries of the world for over 50 years. EdM provides basic education focusing in improving the quality of teaching and facilitates access to qualified health services and care for pregnant women, mothers and their babies and children. The organization emphasizes local ownership and long term support and thus ensures the sustainability and lasting positive impact of the projects it supports, in close collaboration with local actors, including state and non-state actors.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Quality education and community empowerment
- Access to health care for mothers and children
- Promotion of child rights and participation
- Financial and technical assistance

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

Enfants du Monde organizes health education processes and materials for pregnant women, their families and communities to increase their awareness of ways to stay healthy and prevent diseases, as well as of how to identify complications commonly linked to pregnancy and childbirth. In addition to this, EdM supports solutions and actions to improve the timely access to health facilities, and trains healthcare providers for example in counseling, thus improving the access to and quality of healthcare. All work is conducted on a participatory basis, with EdM partnering with local governments, local and regional organizations, communities and civil society, and international actors as the World Health Organization (WHO). Currently projects in Bangladesh, Burkina Faso, El Salvador and Haiti improve the health of pregnant women, mothers and babies, and a project in Colombia supports a university training course (certificate level) in community maternal and newborn health.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF

Carlo Santarelli is the Secretary General of Enfants du Monde. The Geneva office employs approximately 20 full time staff members. The organization is headquartered in Geneva and has regional coordination offices in Bangladesh, Burkina Faso and Guatemala, as well as a coordination office in Chad.

FUNDING SOURCES AND BUDGET

The total income of EDM in 2018 was CHF 8.9 million. 70% of the annual funding came from the Swiss Agency of Development and Coordination (partly mandates), followed by several philanthropic foundations, communes and cantons of Switzerland.

PUBLICATIONS

For EdM's annual reports, magazine, newsletter and other publications see:
<http://www.edm.ch/en/media-publications>

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