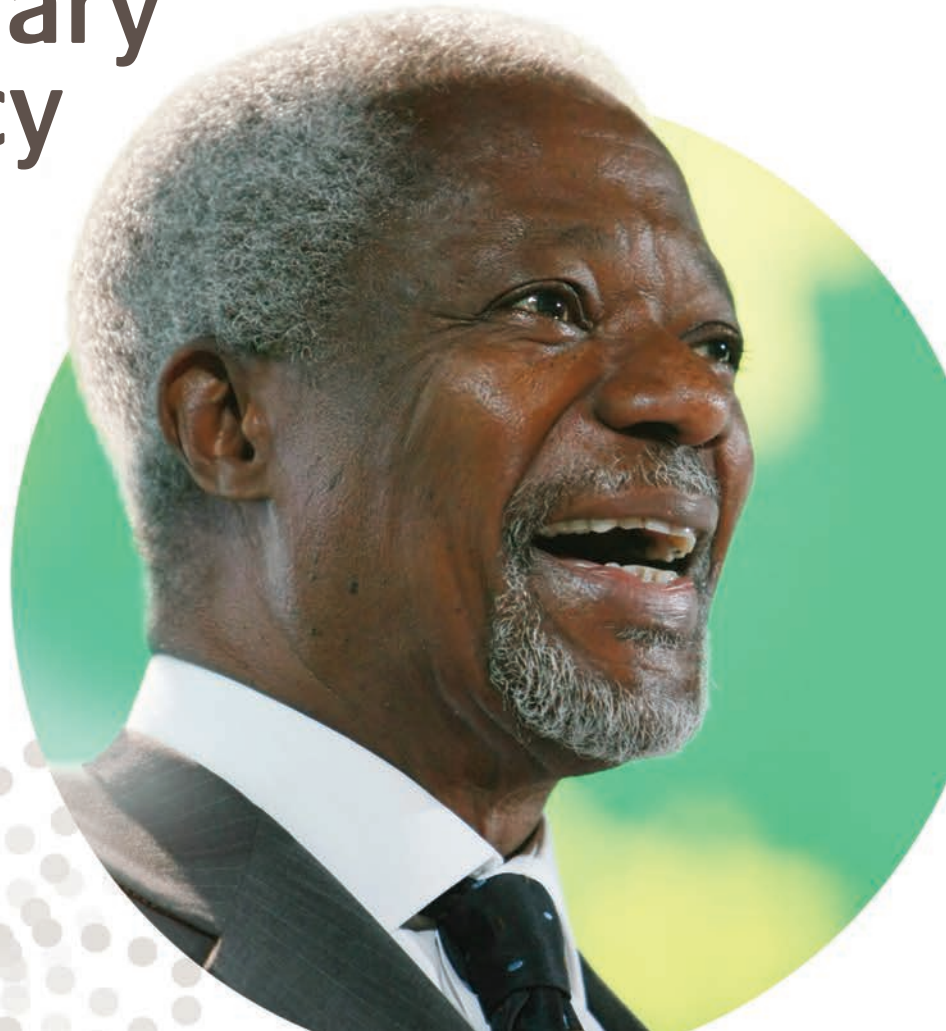


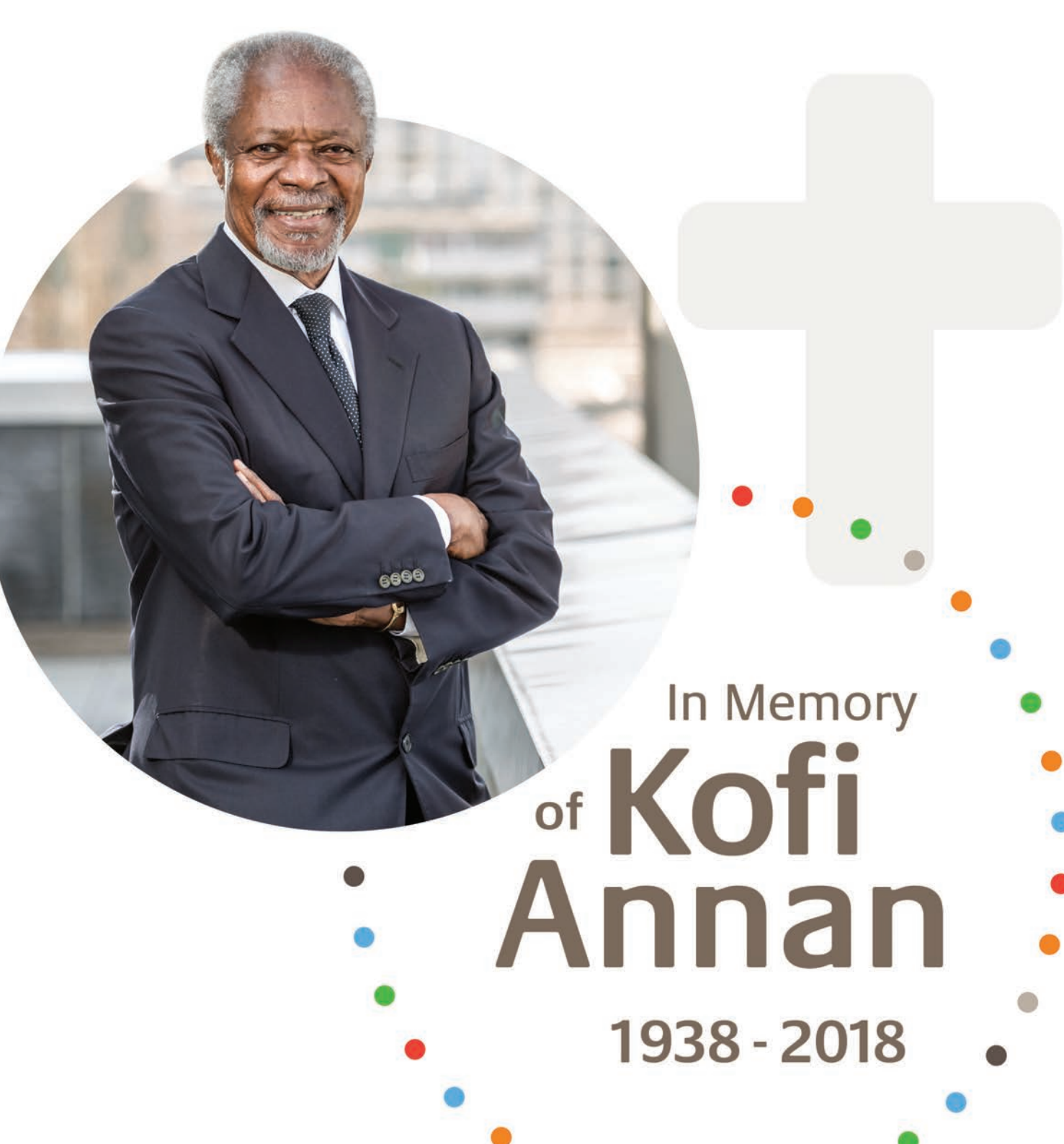
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Towards a fairer, more peaceful world.

# Building on an Extraordinary Legacy

2018 Annual Report





In Memory  
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1938 - 2018

## In Memory of Kofi Annan

Kofi Annan 1938 - 2018

Kofi Annan, former Secretary General of the United Nations and Nobel Peace Laureate, passed away peacefully on Saturday 18th August 2018, after a short illness.

Kofi Annan was a global statesman and a deeply committed internationalist who fought throughout his life for a fairer and more peaceful world. During his distinguished career including leadership of the United Nations and as Founder and Chair of the Kofi Annan Foundation, he was an ardent champion of peace, committed to, sustainable development, human rights and the rule of law. The Kofi Annan Foundation remains determined to advance Kofi Annan's vision for a fairer, more peaceful world.

- A world built on three mutually reinforcing pillars: peace and security, sustainable & inclusive development, and human rights & the rule of law.
- A world that has the needs and the dignity of the individual and their communities at its centre.
- A world where we are governed democratically and engage in multilateral cooperation to solve pressing issues.
- A world that upholds the values dear to Kofi Annan: dialogue, tolerance, servant leadership.
- A world that has developed a deep understanding that there is much more that unites us than there is that divides us.

**This was his wish, and this is our mission.**

## Building on an extraordinary legacy

In April of 2018, we celebrated a double anniversary: Kofi Annan's 80th birthday and the 10th anniversary of the founding of his Foundation.

We marked this milestone by inviting people to join us on the "Road to Peace" – a recognition and celebration of Kofi Annan's life-long commitment to making the world a more peaceful place.

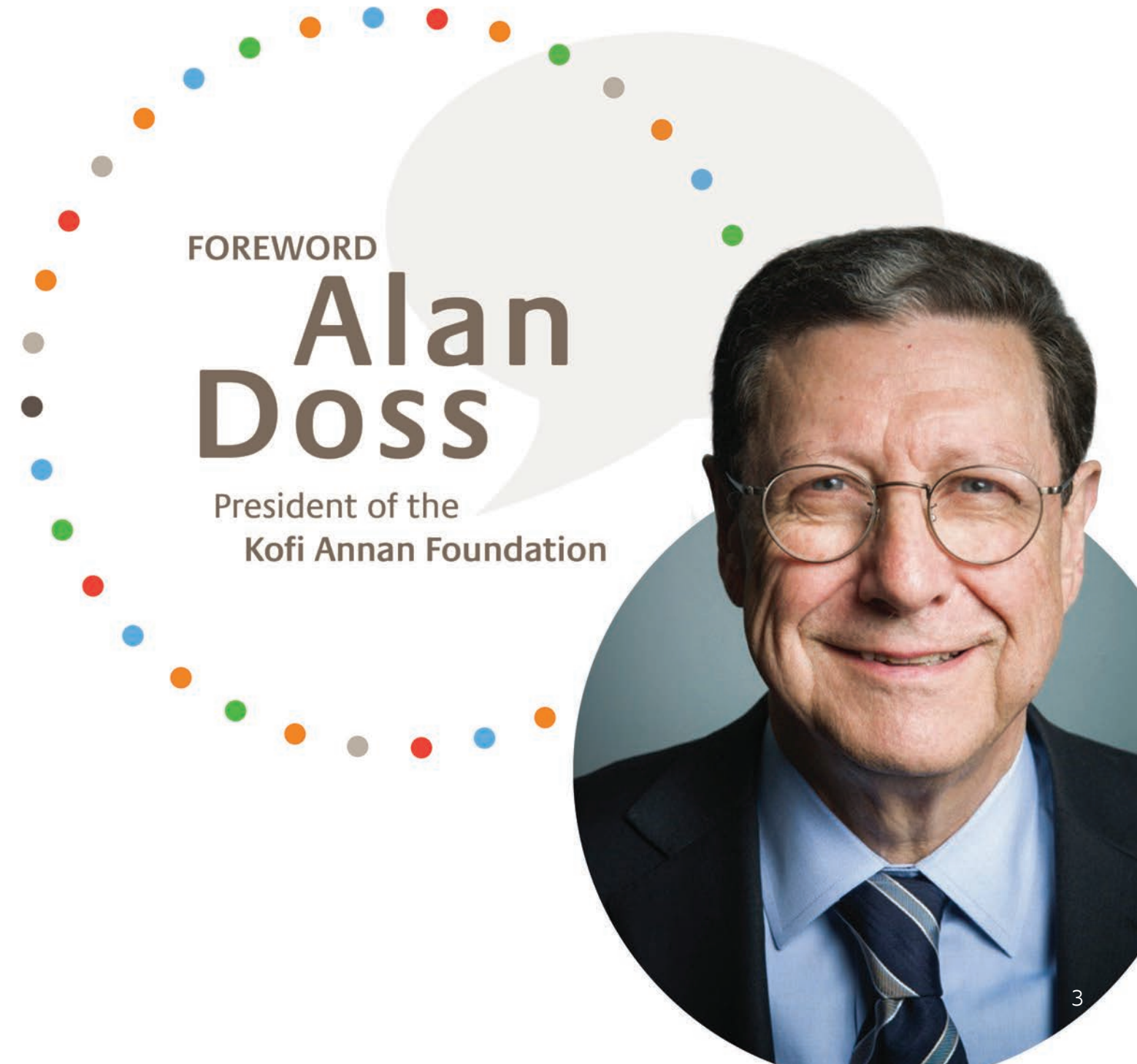
Sadly, the time of celebration was cut short when Kofi Annan passed away on the 18th of August last year.

Since then, the Annan family and the staff of the Foundation have been, and continue to be, deeply moved by the many messages of condolence, sympathy and encouragement that we have received from people around the world.

We mourn the loss of a great statesman, a committed internationalist and a compassionate human being, but we remain determined to advance Kofi Annan's vision for a fairer, more peaceful world.

He intended that the Foundation continue his work.

**Our task now is to build on his extraordinary legacy and the values and principles which he upheld.**





“Healthy societies”, he would say, “are built on peace, inclusive development, and human rights: there can be no peace without inclusive development, and there can be no lasting development without peace. And no society can long remain prosperous without the rule of law and respect for human rights.”

Under Mr Annan’s leadership, the Foundation has designed and launched initiatives to assist countries and communities in achieving those objectives and moving forward on the road to peace.

We do this by safeguarding elections and democratic practices, encouraging reconciliation after conflict, deploying youth leadership to counter violent extremism, and supporting peace processes that produce real and lasting peace.

These initiatives, as well as others that may follow, serve the cause of peace by promoting inclusive governance and economic development – for the many, not just a few.

Unfortunately, Kofi Annan’s time on earth has come to an end, but his moral voice is not stilled. The Kofi Annan Foundation will take forward Kofi Annan’s vision and values. As one of the Young Leaders of the Foundation’s Extremely Together Initiative said at a commemoration “Mr Annan was not the past, he is the future.”

Do join us on that journey to the future.

Thank you,

**Alan Doss**

President, Kofi Annan Foundation





# About Us

## Our Mission:

The Kofi Annan Foundation mobilises political will to overcome threats to peace, development and human rights. In most cases, the expertise and evidence needed to solve the world's most pressing problems such as poverty, armed conflict and poor governance already exist. What holds us back is a lack of leadership or political will to identify and deliver solutions. The Foundation mobilises those who are in a position to influence and bring solutions to those problems.

## Our Values:

Impartiality, Independence, Inclusiveness

## How the Kofi Annan Foundation works:



### Private diplomacy

The Foundation provides counsel and participates in diplomatic initiatives to avert or resolve crises.



### Public advocacy

Through targeted public interventions, the Foundation helps shape public discussion of global issues and threats.



“To live is to choose.  
**But to choose well,**  
you must know  
who you are and what you stand for,  
**where you want to go**  
and why you want  
to get there.”

– Kofi Annan



### Convening power

The Foundation brings together leaders in diplomacy, business, politics and civil society to jointly tackle threats and crises.



### Mediation & Crisis resolution

The Foundation provides its good offices, mediates, or intervenes in crises when it can make a difference.

The three pillars of a fairer, more peaceful world:



### Peace and security

There can be no long-term peace without development.



### Sustainable development

There can be no long-term development without security.



### Human rights and the rule of law

No society can long remain prosperous without respect for human rights and the rule of law.





# Our Activities in 2018

The work of the Foundation reaches all corners of the globe.

Our work depends on donors and partners from around the world, and in addition to our Geneva headquarters, our team have relationships with organisations and partners on the ground in over 25 countries. Below is a selection of our activities throughout 2018.

## North and South America

### UNITED STATES

Kofi Annan met with leading figures from the technology industry and social media companies in Silicon Valley to discuss the impact of digital technology on electoral integrity.

Extremely Together partnered with the Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund (GCERF) to organise an event on Youth perspectives on preventing violent extremism during the United Nations General Assembly.

### MEXICO

The Foundation's Electoral Integrity Initiative, in association with six partners from Mexico and the region, hosted a conference on Electoral Integrity in Latin America in the run-up to the most significant vote in the country's history. During the conference, Kofi Annan and Laura Chinchilla, former President of Costa Rica, met with political leaders and the Mexican Electoral Commission to discuss how to avoid electoral violence and strengthen the integrity of the elections.



## Europe

### UNITED KINGDOM

Extremely Together Young Leaders Fatima Zaman and Ilwad Elman each spoke about their experiences preventing and countering violent extremism at several events across the country.

### FRANCE

The Extremely Together team hosted training sessions at the Youth Platform of the European Commission's Radicalisation Awareness Network (RAN) in Nice.

### NORWAY

Extremely Together's Bjørn Ihler pursued creative ways to counter extreme right-wing narratives, including the submission of opinion editorials, training sessions and talks, on behalf of Extremely Together.

### GERMANY

Mr Annan participated in the Munich Security Conference and announced his intention to convene a high-level Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age.

### DENMARK

In association with the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Foundation presented a report of the **Lessons Learned from the Rakhine Advisory Commission**, aimed at assisting and strengthening peacebuilding efforts in Rakhine State, Myanmar.

### GREECE

The Foundation participated in the 2018 Athens Democracy Forum where, in conjunction with the New York Times and Facebook, it held a special memorial for Mr Annan and hosted a discussion on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age.

### SWITZERLAND

The Foundation launched its report 'Challenging the Conventional: Making Post-Violence Reconciliation Succeed' in partnership with Interpeace during Geneva Peace Week.

Extremely Together's Mimoun Berrissoun shared his work to prevent youth crime and radicalisation in Germany at the Geneva Peace Week event.

Mr Annan participated in a high-level session on water hosted by the World Meteorological Organisation in Geneva to discuss the links between water, food security and climate.

At the World Economic Forum in Davos, Mr. Annan participated in a discussion on the Africa Agriculture Transformation Scorecard, which was hosted by Bill Gates, the then chairman of the African Union, Paul Kagame and the then Prime Minister of Ethiopia, Hailemariam Dessalegn.

### BELGIUM

Extremely Together's Bjørn Ihler joined the EU Conference on Youth, Peace and Security in Brussels to advocate for the empowerment of young people to prevent violent extremism.

### THE NETHERLANDS

Extremely Together trained the One Young World (OYW) Peace Ambassadors in using communication campaigns to prevent violent extremism at the OYW Summit in The Hague.



## SWEDEN

Extremely Together's Ilwad Elman shared best-in-class examples of Somali youth engagement in peace and countering violent extremism (CVE) processes during Almedalen Week – one of the world's largest democratic forums.

## PORTUGAL

The Foundation and Extremely Together participated in the development of policy recommendations on the use of education to prevent violent extremism at the Club de Madrid's policy dialogue for Shared Societies in Lisbon.

## Africa

### WEST AFRICAN REGION

With our partners, the Foundation promoted evidence-based drug policy reform in West Africa.

Together with the Global Commission on Drug Policy (GCDP), the Foundation launched a Model Drug Law to support the design and implementation of evidence-based drug policies and laws across West Africa.

## RWANDA

The Foundation and the African Development Bank co-hosted a panel discussion on intra-African food trade and market integration at the 2018 African Economic Conference in Kigali, Rwanda.

## NIGERIA

Extremely Together's Jonah Obajeun advocated for education-based solutions to prevent radicalisation and extremism.

## UGANDA

Extremely Together's Ndugwa Hassan and Ilwad Elman provided training to young civil society activists in preventing violent extremism in Kampala and set up a Uganda Chapter to continue raising awareness of the threat of violent extremism and of the need to address current youth marginalisation.

## SOMALIA

Extremely Together Young Leader Ilwad Elman led an Extremely Together training in Mogadishu. The participants have established themselves as a Somalia Chapter to disseminate their PVE knowledge among vulnerable youth living in IDP camps.

## LIBYA

Extremely Together Young Leader Hajer Sharief worked to engage women and young people in peacebuilding.

## DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

At the request of the main opposition political parties in the Democratic Republic of Congo, the Foundation invited leading presidential candidates to Geneva and mediated an accord by which they agreed to unite behind one candidate for the presidential election.

## MOROCCO

The Extremely Together team led training to empower young Moroccans, including students, school children, Imams and social entrepreneurs, to prevent violent extremism.

## SOUTH SUDAN

An Extremely Together workshop was held in Juba with young civil society activists, journalists and human rights defenders on CVE in South Sudan, and combatting violent extremism on a regional and global scale.

## BENIN

The Foundation and Extremely Together ran an awareness raising workshop on violent extremism at the Junior Chamber International Africa and the Middle East Conference in Cotonou.

## ZIMBABWE

In partnership with the Elders, Mr Annan travelled to Zimbabwe with Mary Robinson and Lakhdar Brahimi to urge all voters and candidates to reject violence at all stages in the electoral process and work together to ensure a free, fair and transparent election.

## The Middle East and Asia

### PAKISTAN

Extremely Together's Syed Ali Abbas Zaidi focused on the role of civil society to counter extremism through mass mobilisation campaigns, arts and culture.

### THE PHILIPPINES

Extremely Together's Arizza Nocum promoted education and interfaith dialogue to prevent violent extremism.

### UNITED ARAB EMIRATES

Extremely Together Young Leader and Syrian refugee Zaid Al Rayes worked to create economic opportunities for vulnerable youth to show alternatives to violent extremism.

### INDIA

The Foundation and Extremely Together shared their lessons on advocacy for PVE and how young people lead change at the Junior Chamber International's global congress in Goa.

### MALAYSIA

The Foundation and local partners presented the report of the Foundation sponsored conference on Democracy in Southeast Asia.

Following the victory of the Pakatan Harapan and the first change of the political party in power in Malaysia's history, the Foundation convened a roundtable on electoral reform with local stakeholders to identify steps necessary to improve the integrity of the Malaysian electoral process.

## Work Area: Supporting Democracy and Elections with Integrity

### Initiative: Electoral Integrity Initiative (EII)

As part of its work in support of democracy and elections with integrity, the Foundation's [Electoral Integrity Initiative](#) convenes some of the world's most respected elder statesmen and women, as well as the world's foremost experts on electoral integrity. With the help of this unique network, the Kofi Annan Foundation works with countries on how to strengthen the integrity and legitimacy of their electoral processes and avoid election-related violence, so that elected officials can govern peaceably in a climate of trust.



#### A threat to peace:

- In 2018, seventy-one countries suffered net declines in political rights and civil liberties, with only 35 registering gains, according to Freedom House.<sup>1</sup>
- In 2019, over 80 countries face critical elections.

<sup>1</sup>: Freedom House (2018) *Freedom in the World 2018*. Retrieved from: <https://freedomhouse.org/report/freedom-world/freedom-world-2018>





- Kofi Annan and the Kofi Annan Foundation emphasised that the digital age poses a new set of challenges for elections and democracy, particularly in the Global South.

#### What we did in 2018:

- As part of the strategy to support electoral integrity in Latin America, Kofi Annan travelled to Mexico City in May, ahead of the country's presidential elections. Joined by the former president of Costa Rica, Laura Chinchilla and a delegation from the Foundation, Mr Annan met with President Enrique Peña Nieto, members of his cabinet, leadership of Mexico's Electoral Commission and the Electoral Court and engaged the country's political parties ahead of the largest democratic exercise in the country's history.
- While in Mexico, Mr Annan and President Chinchilla presented the Foundation's landmark report entitled "[Electoral Integrity in Latin America.](#)"
- In April, Mr Annan travelled to Silicon Valley to meet leaders from the tech industry to discuss the challenges to electoral integrity in the digital age. He paved the way for the formation of a Commission which will identify policies and tools to mitigate the risks while harnessing the opportunities of the digital age.
- In what was to be his last mission, Mr Annan and a delegation from the Foundation met key actors from political life and civil society in Zimbabwe, working towards free, fair and transparent elections. Mary Robinson and Lakhdar Brahimi of The Elders joined Mr Annan.
- In November, the Foundation facilitated a coalition agreement between opposition parties in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The deal saw the opposition come together around a single candidate for the first time in Congolese history.

- In December, the Foundation co-hosted a roundtable discussion in Kuala Lumpur on electoral reform in Malaysia. The conversation sought to unite Malaysia's main political actors, such as members of parliament, civil society representatives and political parties, behind a common electoral reform agenda. The recommendations were presented to the government in early 2019.

#### What we are doing now:

- In early 2019 we launched the Kofi Annan Commission on Elections and Democracy in the Digital Age – made up of political leaders, technology experts and academics who will examine the perils and prospects for electoral integrity and democracy in the digital era.
- The Commission will build on the work done by the Global Commission on Elections, Democracy and Security, who presented a roadmap in 2012 for safeguarding electoral integrity worldwide.
- Simultaneously we are monitoring potentially fraught and violent elections around the world and are ready to deploy high-level delegations to work for peaceful, free and fair elections on the spot.
- The Foundation will also continue to assess democratic trends on a regional basis and support regional networks of electoral stakeholders through engagements across Southern and Eastern Africa.

## Work Area: Mediation and Crisis resolution

### Initiative: The Advisory Commission on Rakhine State

The Foundation provides policy support based on thematic and country monitoring and analysis, aided by an informal network of national leaders, multilateral organisations, business leaders, international non-government organisations (NGOs), and civil society activists, including women's groups and faith organisations.



The Advisory Commission on Rakhine State, a partnership of the Kofi Annan Foundation and the office of the State Counsellor of Myanmar, which was chaired by Mr Annan, was an innovative and unique peacebuilding effort. Shortly after the completion of its mandate in August 2017, at the direction of Mr Annan, the Foundation undertook a lessons-learned report project to document the work of the Advisory Commission and capture teachings of use to future generations of policymakers, mediators and peacebuilders – within Myanmar and across the globe.

#### A threat to peace:

- The Council on Foreign Relations lists 25 ongoing conflicts.
- As of today, seven of these conflicts are worsening.



25  
active  
conflicts  
worldwide.



## What we did in 2018:

- The Foundation produced a **lessons-learned report** on the Advisory Commission on Rakhine State, how it operated, and how it arrived at the recommendations aimed at building lasting peace in Rakhine State.
- This ‘lessons-learned’ report is designed to identify how such a unique approach to peacebuilding can inform other efforts to prevent and resolve conflict in the region and around the world.



## What we are doing now:

- The Foundation receives regular requests to mediate or resolve crises around the world and considers each individually. Some of these crises may require a sustained intervention, as in Myanmar, for example. Others may consist of a limited or discreet diplomatic engagement, public advocacy, or the mobilisation and application of technical expertise.





## Work Area: Transitions to Peace

Preventing the recurrence of conflict and making peace last is a paramount challenge of our time. When supporting a country as it transitions out of a war, the international community promotes truth commissions, reconciliation and, or, accountability mechanisms. However, there is little knowledge of what can make these mechanisms succeed and what the traps are to avoid. With this programme, the Foundation seeks out and shares insights from past experiences to make these practices more productive and resilient.

### A threat to peace:

- On average, post-conflict reconciliation lasts only seven years and roughly 60% of all conflicts recur.<sup>1</sup>
- The cost of armed conflict amounted to \$1.02 trillion in 2017.<sup>2</sup>
- The cost of armed conflict has increased by 106 per cent over the last 11 years.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>: Gates, Scott; Håvard Mokleiv Nygård & Esther Trappeniers (2016) Conflict Recurrence, *Conflict Trends*, 2. Oslo: PRIO.

<sup>2</sup>: Institute for Economics and Peace (2018). *Economic Value of Peace 2018*. Retrieved from: <https://reliefweb.int/report/world/economic-value-peace-2018>

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## What we did in 2018:

- The Foundation launched its landmark study **“Challenging the Conventional: Making Post-Violence Reconciliation Succeed”** in partnership with Interpeace.
- Based on case studies of reconciliation processes in Guatemala, South Africa, the Democratic Republic of Congo and Northern Ireland, the report poses critical questions that need to be asked by national and international actors engaged in reconciliation efforts.
- The study was the second in a series of three examining the three essential constituents of peace processes: the first looked at the role of truth commissions, the second at reconciliation efforts. The third will focus on justice and accountability for past human rights abuses.



## What we are doing now:

- We will share the findings of “Challenging the Conventional: Making Post-Violence Reconciliation Succeed” with governments, international organisations, civil society and practitioners leading reconciliation efforts in various countries, including Colombia.
- We will begin work on a study on justice and accountability in post-conflict countries.





## Work Area: Promoting Youth Leadership

### Initiative: Extremely Together

Violent extremism is a serious threat to our societies, affecting young people disproportionately, both as perpetrators and victims. However, the critical role youth play in preventing violent extremism is often ignored. Young people can spot early signs of radicalisation and can create safe dialogue spaces for their peers to express their frustrations and feelings of marginalisation.



A Kofi Annan Foundation Initiative

Extremely Together is the Foundation's youth leadership initiative, which brings together ten Young Leaders, all active in preventing violent extremism (PVE) in their communities and beyond. After the publication of their landmark guide **"Countering violent extremism – A guide for young people by young people"**, the Young Leaders set out to train peers and inspire them to take action against violent extremism.

This group serves as an inspiration for those who feel disempowered; they offer instead a positive vision of what young people's energy and idealism can achieve when they work "extremely together". By doing so, Extremely Together provides to young people who are in transitional stages of their lives a different path towards building an independent identity and finding a sense of purpose – based on dialogue, tolerance and acceptance.

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## A threat to peace:

- In 2017, 45% of those arrested for terrorist offences in the European Union were between 20-30 years old.<sup>1</sup>
- According to the World Youth Report, the ‘jihadism’ promoted by al-Qaeda and Daesh is “almost exclusively associated with young men under the age of 25...”
- The number of deaths from terrorism associated with far-right groups and individuals has increased from three in 2014 to 17 in 2017.<sup>2</sup>

## What we did in 2018:

- Provided training and workshops in Morocco, Uganda, Pakistan, Somalia, South Sudan and the UK to equip youth globally to take action against extremism. Many of the young people trained have become very actively engaged against extremism in their respective communities, especially in Uganda and Somalia, where Extremely Together Chapters have been set up.
- Helped give young people a seat at the decision-making table. Our Young Leaders addressed the Commonwealth Youth Forum and met with decision makers such as the United Kingdom’s Prime Minister Theresa May. They contributed to German inter-ministerial working groups on the prevention of extremism and participated in the 73rd Session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).

<sup>1</sup>: Europol (2018) *European Union Terrorism and Situation Trend Report 2018*. Retrieved from: <https://www.europol.europa.eu/activities-services/main-reports/european-union-terrorism-situation-and-trend-report-2018-tesat-2018>

<sup>2</sup>: Institute for Economics and Peace (2018) *Global Terrorism Index 2018: Measuring the impact of terrorism*. Retrieved from: <http://visionofhumanity.org/app/uploads/2018/12/Global-Terrorism-Index-2018-1.pdf>

- We co-organised “Listen! A Youth Perspective on Preventing Violent Extremism”; a side-event at the UNGA by the Kofi Annan Foundation, the Global Community Engagement and Resilience Fund, and the European Union, where the Young Leaders shared some of the obstacles they face as young people combating violent extremism and the strategies they use to overcome those hurdles.

## What we are doing now:

- Following the training sessions piloted in 2018, Extremely Together will launch a new network of young “Extremely Together Champions” in the native countries of some of the Young Leaders.
- This extended network will expand the reach of the Young Leaders and support each region to do more against extremism.
- The Foundation will continue to use its access and leverage at the policy level to ensure youth voices are represented in key international conferences.



20%  
of people in Africa  
suffer from  
hunger.<sup>1</sup>

## Work Area: Combatting Hunger

Africa is the world's most food-insecure region, which has broader implications not just for food security, but also for peace and stability on the continent. The Foundation's Combatting Hunger programme advocates for the transformation of African agriculture and food systems to improve food and nutrition security and drive socio-economic development. We mobilise leadership and high-level commitment, using our convening power to bring together leaders from across sectors to trigger cooperation that benefits African farmers and their communities.

### A threat to peace

- For the third year in a row, there has been a rise in world hunger.<sup>1</sup>
- In Africa alone, more than 256 million people suffer from hunger.<sup>1</sup>
- Climate change could increase hunger and malnutrition by up to 20 per cent by 2050.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup>: Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (2018) *State of Food Security and Nutrition in the World 2018*. Retrieved from: <http://www.fao.org/state-of-food-security-nutrition/en/>

<sup>2</sup>: World Food Program (2018) *Climate Action*. Retrieved from: <https://www1.wfp.org/climate-action>



## What we did in 2018:

- The Foundation co-hosted a dialogue on intra-African food trade and market integration with the African Development Bank during the 2018 African Economic Conference.
- Mr Annan published an editorial in *Nature Magazine* as a companion to a new study by the Institute of Health Metrics and Evaluation of the University of Washington on “Mapping child growth failure in Africa between 2000 and 2015”. Mr Annan emphasised the importance of data for policy-making, particularly in the global development context. He stressed that robust data is critical to ending malnutrition in Africa.
- In his final article, Kofi Annan drew attention to snakebite – a serious, but largely neglected public health issue. He highlighted that snakebite is a ‘disease of the poor’, which disproportionately affects smallholder farmers and their families in rural communities of Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia, Oceania and Latin America, and called for immediate action to confront this threat to life and livelihoods in poor communities.

- The Foundation advocated for the transformation of African agriculture and food systems to improve food and nutrition security.

## What we are doing now:

- The Foundation has plans to join a group of partners in Ghana to contribute to the promotion of the highly nutritious orange-fleshed sweet potato.
- Together with the African Development Bank, we are producing a study on the state of the food market in Africa to identify policy options and strategies to boost food trade within the continent.







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## Work Area: Changing Drug Policy

Drug trafficking and consumption undermines institutions, threatens public health and damages development efforts. The Foundation speaks out on drug policy reform and advocates for an evidence- and health-centred approach, with a particular focus on West Africa.

### A threat to peace:

- The yearly value of cocaine transiting through West Africa is at about US\$ 1.25 billion – significantly more than the annual national budgets of several countries in the region.<sup>1</sup>
- Africa's drug laws are outdated and have not equipped the continent with effective responses to drug-related problems.<sup>1</sup>
- In West Africa, trade in drugs undermines development and fosters corruption.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup>: West Africa Commission on Drugs (2014) Not Just in Transit, Drugs, the State and Society in West Africa. Retrieved from: [http://www.wacommissionondrugs.org/WACD\\_report\\_June\\_2014\\_english](http://www.wacommissionondrugs.org/WACD_report_June_2014_english)

## What we did in 2018:

- The Global Commission on Drug Policy (GCDP), the West African Commission on Drugs (WACD), and the Kofi Annan Foundation launched a Model Drug Law in Dakar, Senegal.
- Over 80 participants, including representatives of West African governments, the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS), and civil society, attended the launch event.
- The presentation of the law was the culmination of several years of effort by political actors and civil society organisations and represents an unprecedented opportunity for West African states to deal with the challenges drugs pose in their region in a contemporary legal framework.

## What we are doing now:

- After the launch of the “**West African Commission on Drugs**” and the model drug law, the Kofi Annan Foundation, with the support of the Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA), is encouraging local civil society actors and the Global Commission on Drug Policy (GCDP) to carry the conversation forward.



# The Foundation Board

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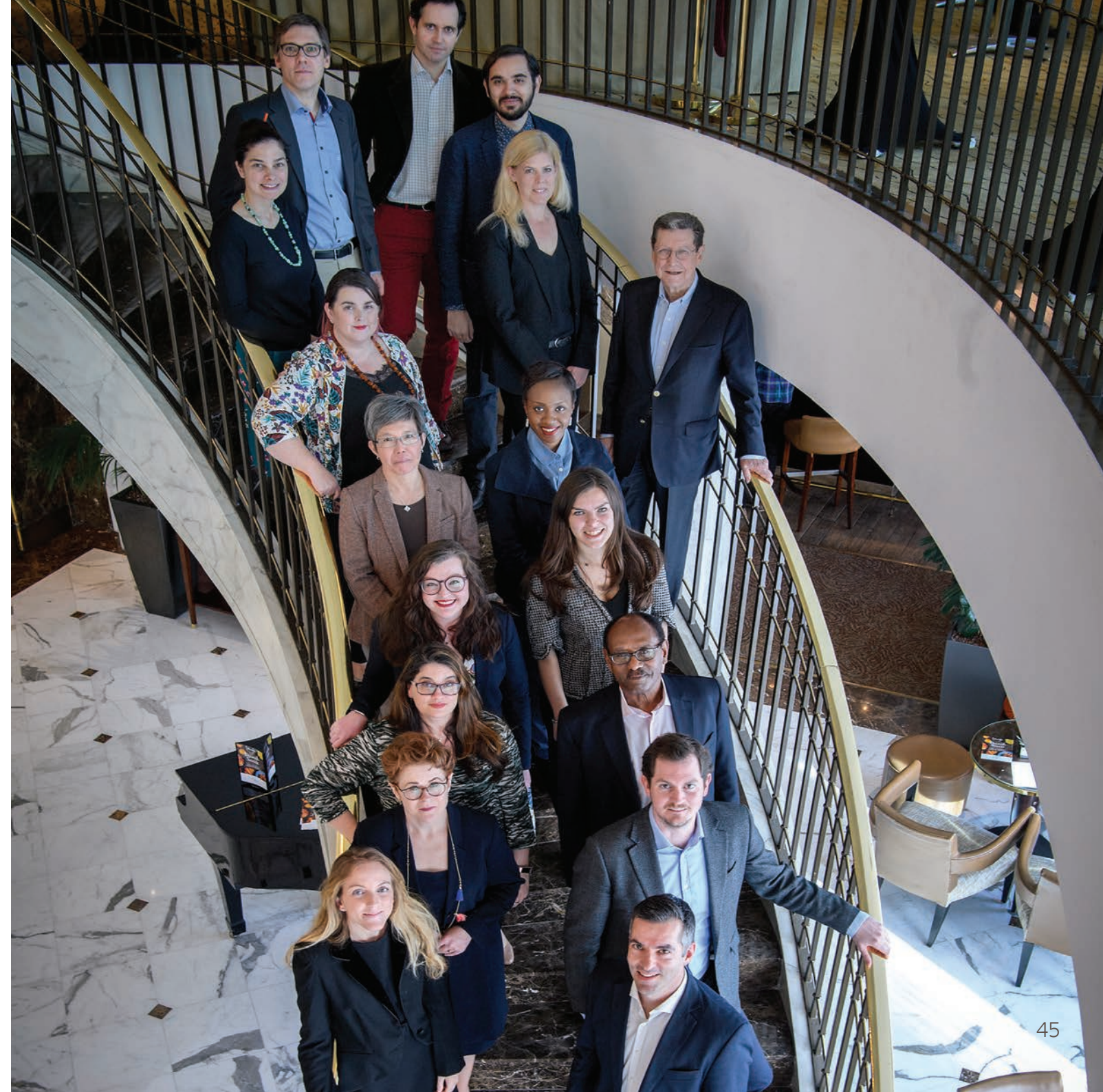
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\*Mrs Lagergren passed away peacefully on Friday, 5 April 2019. We will be forever grateful for her loyal support.

We warmly thank all those who made donations to the Foundation in honour of Mr Annan’s 80th birthday, which we celebrated in April 2018, with great joy. We would especially like to thank the Fondation pour Genève, the Maison de la Paix and the World Meteorological Organization for the exceptional partnership to create this memorable evening.

Sadly, we must also sincerely thank all those who made donations in memoriam following Mr Annan’s sudden passing just a few months later in August of 2018 – your commitment to Mr Annan’s vision for a fairer more peaceful is greatly cherished and appreciated.

We wish to give special thanks for the great collaboration around the various events for Mr Annan after his passing, including the President and the Government of Ghana, the United Nations office in New York and the Director-General and the staff at the United Nations offices in Geneva.

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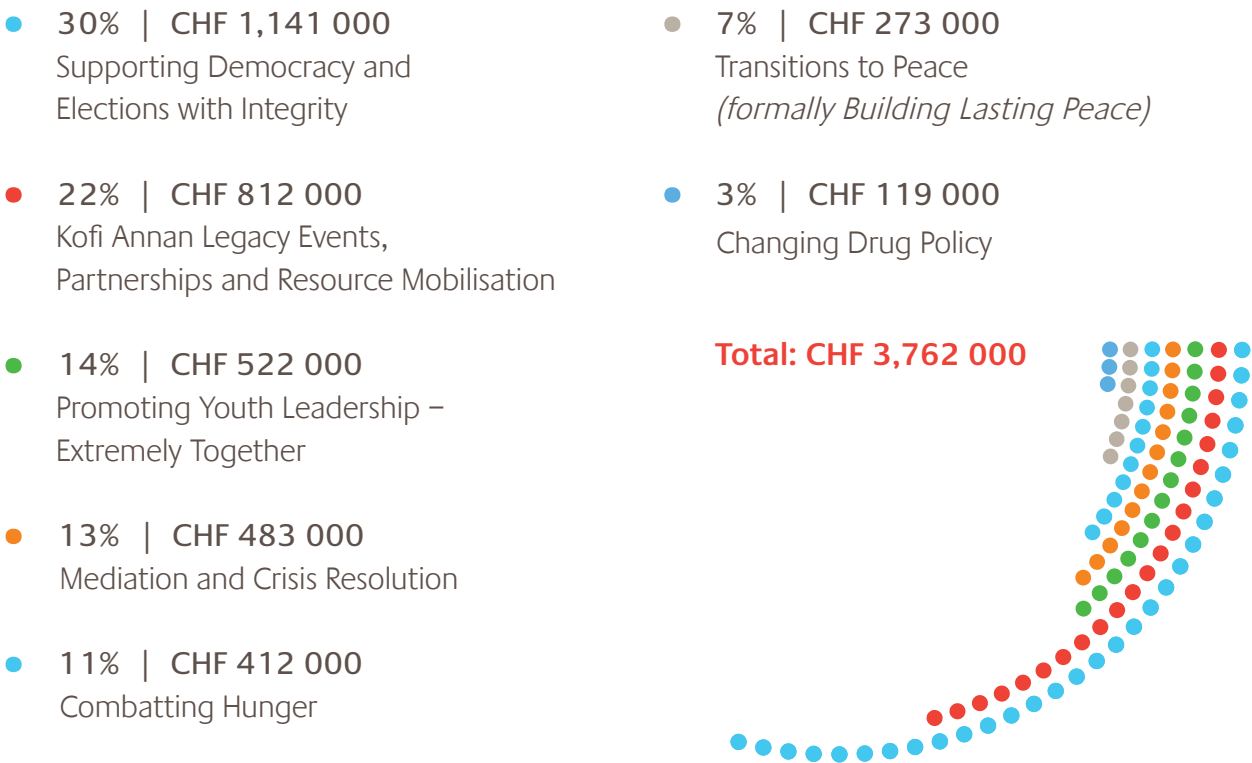




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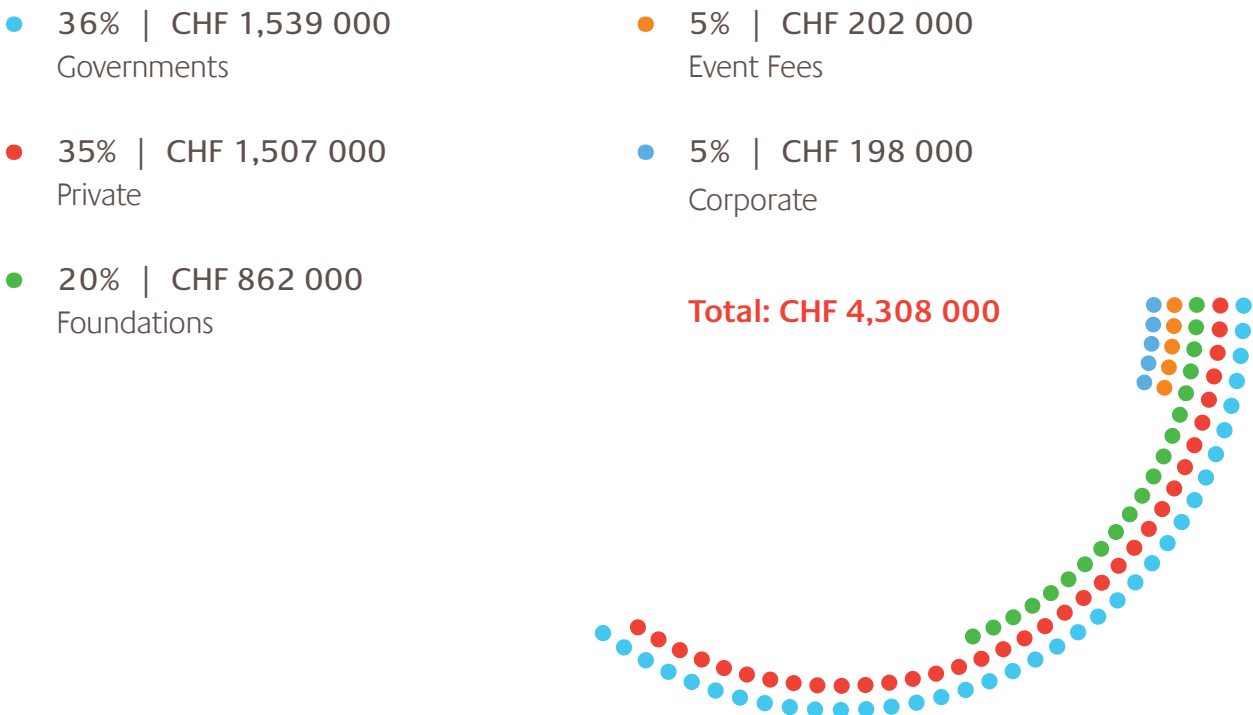
## 2018 Expenditure

(Unaudited)



## 2018 Source of Funds

(Received)



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