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July: PROFOH AT FINANCING SUSTINABLE DEVELOPMENT IN VULNERABLE COUNTRIES SUMMIT

After two years of the pandemic, and in the midst of multiple international crises, progress on the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) is at risk globally. Achieving the SDGs requires significant investments on human capital, physical infrastructure, and environmental protection. Nevertheless, many countries in the world still struggle to

mobilize the financing needed to achieve the SDGs. The event brought together government and United Nations (UN) officials, as well as representatives of International Financial Institutions (IFIs), civil society and academia, to discuss the issue of financing to take concrete actions for the SDGs. The UN Resident Coordinator of Samoa debated on the role of public expenditure for achieving the SDGs and on the relevance of measuring the scale of financing that countries need to achieve the goals set out in the 2030 Agenda. Representatives of Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs) and other international organizations engagement in on how they can help expand financing for the SDGs, while government officials shared their experience on the use of innovative financing mechanisms such as SDG bonds and blue bonds. The role of private finance in promoting sustainable development was also be discussed.



Photo: A similar summit attended by **PROFOH**

July: PROFOH IS EXCITED ABOUT ITS ENGAGEMENT WITH JAMAICAN GOVERNMENT



Our organization is very pleased with the official engagement with the Government of Jamaica through their Ministry of Health & Wellness to serve the people of that great country under Project CODE CARE. The project aim is to address a backlog of over 5,000 elective surgeries. These surgeries will include: Hernia Repair, Cataract, ENT Procedures, Plastic surgery, Hysterotomies, Myomectomies, Lipomas, Trans ureteral Resection of Prostate, Pterygium, etc. The more than 5,000 surgical backlogs were primarily due to shortage of and perennial loss of Jamaica most skilled medical personnel especially nurses required to.......Cont. next page

Photo: Jamaica Minister of Health Dr. Christopher Tufton during a visit to Bustamante Hospital, one-week medical mission from Congenital Heart Institute of Florida, United States.

support doctors In the operating theatre and exacerbated by COVID 19 shutdown for over two years period. We would like to use this opportunity to call on our strategic partners across the globe, especially those in North America, to join hands to enable the team to move into Kingston Jamaica by first quarter 2023 for Project Code Care. The project will enable us to commence the process of clearing some of the 5,000 surgical cases as we have done in several countries over the past 24 years of our existence. Furthermore, it might interest you to know that as an organization we are currently embarked on several medical missions, and by 1st September 2022 we saw more than 1,300 patients at various locations, Clinics, Worship centers, Schools, etc. Finally, we would like to thank Ambassador Robert Miller who was the former Jamaican High Commissioner to Nigeria and several West African countries, and Ms. Mava Campbell who is currently a senior diplomat at the High Commission, both diplomats are strong believers in humanity..

August: PROFOH GERMANY RISES TO THE CHALLENGE

The Board of PROFOH Germany has been very active lately in terms of development of our activities in Africa. The team from Germany was led by that country Board Chair Dr. Alexander Rochlitz for a one week visit to Nigeria for needs assessment on how effective waste management can impact quality public health care. They were met on arrival by both Dr. Gbemuotor Kama and Allan Martin, PROFOH Executive and Non-Executive Director respectively at the Abuja International Airport. The team immediately flew to Ondo State, Western Nigeria, about 250 kilometres from Lagos, a state also recognised as a leader by high level

educational qualifications in Nigeria.

We met with the State Governor H.E Rotimi Akeredolu, his hospitality was felt by PROFOH, he specifically requested we come back as an organization to conduct free medical mission for his people, even when we explained to him that PROFOH had conducted medical mission in his state in 2013/14, he insisted then he not the elected Governor of Ondo State. Several others issues were discussed in a very, very friendly atmosphere. It was a busy schedule, we had series of meeting with public and private sector stakeholders including courtesy visit with a close friend of PROFOH Ambassador Michael Freeman, Israeli Ambassador to Nigeria, a lavish dinner was held in honour of our German team before their departure



Photo: Dinner in honor of PROFOH Germany Board members

August: DR. RANIA IHAB APPOINTED VOLUNTEER PROFOH EGYPT COUNTRY DIRECTOR

The Great Country of Egypt has a new director, the third within a decade, the first was Dr. Ahmed Adel Ragab \ was our organization first country director in 2012/3, few years later he relocated to the Europe for additional training as a PHD

candidate at the Erasmus University Rotterdam The Netherlands. As a cardio-thoracic surgeon. That decision enabled Dr. Mustapha Sabra to seat in an acting capacity until he also moved to Germany for additional training, Sabra is a highly talented ophthalmologist. He is a mission driven physician; Sabra is currently on the board of PROFOH Germany. Finally, here comes a woman of great substance Dr. Rania Ihab, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery Consultant, she also teaches medical students at the MSA University at Cairo.

Dr. Ihab is Also Known As "The African Dentist" due to her passion to make African smiles and use their mouth in several African countries. She has a very rich humanitarian service across middle-east and Sub Saharan Africa since 2008, it includes Egypt, Malawi, Uganda, Jordan, Kenya, Tanzania, etc. The Rania will also be joining PROFOH for the next plan medical missions in Ghana, Jamaica, Nigeria,



Photo: Dr. Rania Ihab PROFOH Egypt Country Direct

etc.

August - PROFOH MARKED WORLD HUMANITARAIN DAY:

As a leading organization in humanitarian interventions PROFOH join others and the United **Nations** family celebrate this year World Humanitarian Day. our members work with passion and compassion in high risks communities, striving to bring the best in humanity. The Day falls on 19 August, the day in 2003 when 22 aid workers were killed in a bombing at the UN Headquarters in Baghdad. It's a day to honor both those who have lost their lives in humanitarian service and those who continue to bring relief and assistance to populations affected by disaster, every hour of every day, humanitarian work continues around the world, and saves lives.



Photo: World Humanitarian Day flyer

PROFOH is on the frontline. Collectively, we need prayers, humanitarian workers are operating under increasingly dangerous circumstances. According to data from Humanitarian Outcomes, more than 140 aid workers were killed in 2021 while helping others – the highest number of aid worker fatalities since 2013.

As an organization, we believe its a shared responsibility to raise awareness and help to inspire humanity on record level humanitarian need." According António Guterres, The Secretary-General of the United Nations, to mark the day. "Far from the spotlight and out of the headlines, humanitarians work around the clock to make our world a better place. Against incredible odds. Often at great personal risk, they are suffering in some of the most dangerous circumstances imaginable,". PROFOH mark the day, by issued a press statement and conducted a free medical mission.

August: PROFOH WELCOME FIRST UKRAINIAN HUMANITARIAN SHIPMENT TO THE HORN OF AFRICA

The first vessel transporting Ukrainian wheat grain to support humanitarian operations run by the World Food Program (WFP) has left the port of Yuzhny, also known as Pivdennyi, the UN agency reported on Tuesday. The *MV Brave Commander* _departed with 23,000 metric tons of wheat grain for WFP's response in the Horn of Africa, where the threat of famine is looming due to severe drought.

This is the first shipment of humanitarian food assistance under the Black Sea Grain Initiative signed by Ukraine, Russia, Turkey and the UN in July. The first WFP ship with wheat grain left Ukraine an important step to reduce food prices and provide a lifeline to humanitarian operations. The shipment was made possible with emergency funding from USAID Saves Lives donors like the Howard G Buffett Foundation. It marks another important milestone in efforts to get much-needed Ukrainian grain out of the war-torn country and back into global markets, to reach people worst affected by the

global food crisis.

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"Getting the Black Sea Ports open is the single most important thing we can do right now to help the world's hungry," said WFP Executive Director David Beasley. WFP will use the wheat grain shipment to scale-up its efforts in southern and south-eastern Ethiopia, supporting more than 1.5 million people affected by drought. Globally, a record 345 million people in more than 80 countries are currently facing acute food insecurity, while up to 50 million people in 45 countries are at risk of being pushed into famine without humanitarian support. The current hunger crisis is being driven by several factors including conflict, climate impacts, and the COVID -19 pandemic.

Photo: WFP First Shipment to the Horn of Africa

August PROFOH MEDICAL MISSION TO MARK WORLD HUMANITARIAN DAY

PROFOH and its partners celebrated this year **World Humanitarian Day** with an impressive Medical Mission in Etsako Central, Edo State, Nigeria. The team of Medical experts was led by our very own, ranking member Dr. Chuks Gods power. The activities included Medical mission, (clinical consultations and treatments) Rehabilitation of Out of School girl Child (instant scholarship was provided) deworming of Children and distribution of mosquitos treated nets. Board Chair and members would like to express our profound gratitude to all those who participated and supported this successful medical and educational mission, especially Dr. Chuks Gods power and his team, NYSC leadership, and the top officials of Anegbete community, the Local Government Council, volunteers, etc. Nearly 150 patients were seen, which include clinical consultations and treatment, deworming of Children and distribution of mosquitos treated net.



Photo: PROFOH officials led by Dr. C. Godspower at Edo State Medical Mission, Nigeria

September: PROFOH SIGNED PARTNERSHIP MOU WITH LEADING UK AGENCIES

As a member of several international bodies including the United Nations agencies one of our objectives is to seek viable partnerships and collaborations. Last year, we recorded highest level MoUs signed in our history with organizations and institutions in a dozens of countries including United States, Sweden, China,





Photo: UKIHMA and PROFOH official logos

Benin, Kenya, United Kingdom, Cameroon. As PROFOH continues to expand its social engagements and public health activities in underserved communities globally, using strategic partnerships as the vehicle to reach that goal. Again, we are delighted to announce the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU), with United Kingdom International Health Care Management Association (UKIHMA) and the British Integrated Solutions Export Network (BISEN), two leading UK organisations, partners of the HM Government. This partnership is already in discussion with several countries' Ministries of Health on how to support and assist with their quality health care delivery. We intend to reach out to developing countries with medical missions, hospitals, pharmaceutical supplies, mobile hospital deployment, training, etc.

September: PROFOH & SLS CONDUCT MEGA MEDICAL MISSION IN EGYPT

Social Leaders Society (SLS) carried out a medical mission in Farafra Oasis in South West Egypt in New Valley Governorate. The Mission took place from 19th to the 23th of September 2022 the convoy was dedicated to honoring Prof. Dr. Mohamed Gaber. A brilliant leading member of the medical team for the charity medical mission who always participated with the Social Leasers Society and supported them. He was the Chair leader of Oncology surgery department in Alexandria Faculty of medicine and he is like a father surgeon to many of our young doctors and surgeons in the Society and in Alexandria.

The final report of the Farafra mega Medical Mission include the following:

- 2377 patients were examined in various specialties (ophthalmology internal medicine dentistry orthopedics pediatrics surgery gynecology dermatology Pneumology).
- 690 Lab Tests were performed on 199 patients.
- ❖ 1462 free prescriptions have been delivered to patients.
- ❖ 225 Eye Glasses were made and delivered for free.
- 6 cases of Splinting, Fracture fixation and intra-articular injections were made
- 167 surgeries were performed as follows:
- 103 ophthalmic surgeries between pterygium and cataracts with IOL implantation

- 62 general, pediatric, anal and colon surgeries under general and Spinal anesthesia between (cholecystectomy, appendectomy, umbilical hernia, congenital hernia, hemorrhoids, fistula, and circumcision)
- 2 cesarean deliveries.
- ❖ A medical survey was conducted for blood pressure, diabetes and kidney diseases for 250 individuals
- ❖ A health awareness has been done about Risks of high blood pressure, diabetes, kidney diseases and lazy eye diseases for 500 people.
- Humanitarian Aid played an important role in the Mission as well:
- School bags were distributed to 80 children.
- Complete school supplies were distributed to 80 Kids.
- Children's school fees of 14,000 EGP have been paid.
- Financial Aid of 6000 EGP were given to Families in need.



Photo: PROFOH/SLS and Partners mega Medical Mission

On the table is a similar medical mission is plan for 4Q 2022 or 1Q 2023, Our Chair Dr. Reem Bsaiso and the entire Board PROFOH have directed the Executive Director to specifically express our profound gratitude to everyone who made the this mega outreach a huge success, our team in Egypt led by Dr. Rania and Ali, all the great partner organizations for their contributions finally, The excellent members and leadership of the SLS for their skills, talents and high level professional deliveries.

UPDATES & EVENTS

NEWS IN BRIEF:

PROFOH DELEGATION IN EQUATORIAL GUINEA:

We are pleased to confirm that PROFOH delegation led by Mr. Sam Akor is in Malabo, Equatorial Guinea for a follow-up to several discussions on proposed projects they include Pharmaceuticals, Mega medical mission, Construction of world Class Hospital, etc. The had some delays because of our guest from Budapest, Hungary, Dr. Peter was a former diplomat at the Hungary Embassy is Nigeria. He is very much supportive of PROFOH activities and will to support the organization in several ways including exchange programs between PROFOH members and some universities in Hungary of medical personnel, Mental Health mission to Hungary by PROFOH is still on the table for next year.

PROFOH UNITED STATES:

PROFOH is planning a fund-raising event next year to mark our 25 years anniversary, for the past 24 years the organization has been self-funded for the most part. It will interest you to know that our efforts are gathering pace in Los Angeles, California. PROFOH high Quality T-shirts will be the symbol of the event, we intend to invite who is what in both the private and public sector.

PROFOH FLY ITS FLAG IN INDIA:

We are pleased to confirm that PROFOH is flying its flag in the great country of India with its head office in Karnataka State. With Indian flying the organization flag we are now officially incorporated in ten countries with presence on 15 other nations. Special appreciation to our Global Advisory Board member and Country Director Mansur Shamsi for his leadership and incorporation of the organization in his home country of India. Plans are in advance stage to incorporate the organization in several countries like United Kingdom, UAE, Slovenia, and Kenya etc. The organization has several proposed activities line up. It includes on-going discussions with BRONCOS Healthcare India, Smile Foundation and other NGO's for collaborative humanitarian medical mission, Women and Child care, Education, social upliftment in Gujarat and other States of India

PROFOH INVITED BY THE UNITED NATIONS:

Your organization received a letter from the UN office in Vienna inviting us and requesting participation at this year UNTOC United Nations Conference of State Parties PROFOH is classified as relevant non—profit organization by the United Nations and has invited as Observer since 2011. We have attended several of such impressive conferences and dialogue in the past in Vienna, Austria. Marrakesh Morocco, Washington DC, United States, Etc. This year the Conference will take place at the United Nations Office in Vienna, Vienna International Centre, Wagramer Strasse 5, 1220 Vienna, Austria.

PROFOH 25 YEARS ANNIVERSARY UPDATE-1998-2023

As our 25 YEARS ANNIVERSARY draws near, the preparation is picking up slowly from UAE, Nigeria, Ghana, Ireland, India, South Africa, Jamaica, Germany, Nepal and the United States and off course, Host country UAE. As part of the process Allan Martin, our Non -Executive Director is working round the clock with some of our proposals , PROFOH expansion Program, mobile and non-mobile hospitals, pharmaceuticals, capacity building, etc We have also migrated to our original name <u>WWW.PROFOH.ORG</u> and may still keep <u>www.profohmed.org</u>

We are planning project **You Speak; We Listen** that will be hosted on our Homepage with a link to a Member/Partners suggestion survey. The survey will be design in order to hear directly from <u>you</u>—Members/Partners of the PROFOH—about what you would like and appreciate about our 25 Years Anniversary and what could be done to improved our organization global standing, will lead to our strategic plan for the next 25 years. It is important to the organization to better serve the global community, and hearing your feedback is the best way to make sure we are headed in the right direction. Dr. E Henry of PROFOH United States will be responsible for this project.

Finally, on behalf of Boards a big thanks to Markus von-Have and Mansur Shamsi, both Germany and UAE Country directors respectively. Both gentlemen are doing extremely excellent work behind scene, financially, physically, morally, advisory etc.

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS -Q4-2022</u> As a highly regarded international organization we receive many invitations to attend cross sector events. We would like to encourage all our members to attend these high-profile meetings and gatherings when possible.

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No			
1	5 October	Peace for Food, High-Level Roundtable Event	Paris
2	11-12 October	OGP Europe Regional Meeting hosted by Italian Government	Rome
3	11-12 October	2022 Global Forum on Infrastructure: Sustainable Infrastructure for a Greener Future	Paris
4	17-21 October	UNTOC Conference of the States Parties of the United Nations	Vienna
5	1-3 November	OGP Africa and Middle East Regional Meeting hosted by Government of Morocco	Morocco
6	7-8 November	Global Forum on Environment - Working towards the elimination of mercury and reducing its harmful impacts on human health and the environment.	Paris
7	9-12 November	SYNERGY2022 Reuters Events (In-person: & Virtual)	Washington DC
	7-18 November	The UNFCCC Climate Change Conference of the United Nations	
8			Sham El -Sheikh
9	30 November – 1 December	Reuters Next Global forum where CEOs, world leaders, policy makers, and innovators address the critical challenges facing our world and society today.	New York

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A global group of citizens committed to providing quality health care, education and water and take action to reduce poverty. Our membership is over 10,000 and still counting, from over 20 countries.

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