## A Healthy Return Investment case for a sustainably financed WHO





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The world needs a strengthened, empowered and sustainably financed WHO, at the centre of the global health architecture. To ensure that our structures,... **Download** 

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The disruptive shock of the COVID-19 pandemic has sharpened global awareness of the value of health and the need for investment in it. **Investment in the World Health Organization is catalytic by nature**, meaning that funds invested in WHO are used to support Member States in taking action on health issues. This is done through the three key functions of WHO – leadership, development of technical products and country support.

According to a new analysis contained here, the quantifiable return on investment in WHO is very substantial. The cost of WHO in net present value terms over the coming 10-year period, 2022–2031, is US\$ 33 billion and the public value created as a result of this investment, in the most conservative estimation possible, is likely to be between US\$ 1.155 trillion and US\$ 1.46 trillion. **The resulting return on investment is at least US\$ 35 for every US\$ 1 invested in WHO**.

There has never been a more critical moment to invest in WHO, and strengthen the unique role it plays in global health. Now is the time to sustainably finance WHO and invest in a healthy return for all.



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