



Africa Regional Work plan

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IAPB Africa Work plan 2019-2022



27-28 February 2019 Fiesta Royale Hotel, Accra Ghana

Participants from across Africa, representing MOH and WHO staff, members and partners

Objectives of the meeting:

- Draft the 2019-2022 IAPB Africa Strategic Framework
- Re-invigorate collective action and commitment to the implementation of the strategy within IAPB Africa
- Clarify the roles of the IAPB Secretariat and Members in Africa

Result in mind:

- Plan for Africa, made by Africans and drawing on the different perspectives from across the continent
- Focus on what we can best do together as IAPB, so emphasis on collective action rather than individual members
- An emphasis of a future grounded in reality, building on progress achieved so far, addressing needs and remembering past lessons learnt

Sentiments Arising from the Meeting



- Progress on workforce issues was noted as being encouraging.
- The importance of focusing on workforce and finance as main drivers of change
- Governance and leadership is crucial- if we influence at this level everything else is possible. Eye care coordinators play a key role.
- Need to think about the market and innovatively about financing e.g. new models for health insurance, eye care fund as an investment
- IAPB as a possible link between the government and private sectors
- Need for increased sharing and learning
- **However, realistically, IAPB Afro is weak in influence and profile and needs increased exposure and greater support from members to function**



Thematic Areas

- Governance leadership and Leadership
- Partnership
- Integration
- Connecting Knowledge



Progress in 2019...

Governance, Leadership and Coordination

- Meeting with new WHO AFRO Eye Health Focal Point (consultant)

Partnership

- Meeting with new WHO AFRO Eye Health Focal Point to discuss WHO Afro Plan of work 2019-20
- Organised and participated in ECSA HC Eye health Expert Meeting
- Presented IAPB Workplan at 13th Regional Eye Health Partners Meeting for West Africa
- In consultation with WAHO on a way forward in the eye health in West Africa
- 2nd generation of the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness (AFAB) situational analysis and action planning
- Areas of collaboration in the Maradi Institute for HReH training in Francophone Africa between AL Bassar Foundation International, CBM and IAPB Africa



Progress in 2019...

Integration

- Attended WHO AFRO PEC Training Manual Certification of Master Trainer in Ghana

Connecting Knowledge

- French presentation on the IAPB Vision Atlas delivered at the COECSA Scientific Congress
- Key Note Speech on Universal Eye Health Coverage delivered at the Nigeria Optometric Association congress
- Circulated quarterly IAPB Africa Newsletter to 2,500 recipients

World Report on Vision!

IAPB Africa Workplan 2019-2022



- Alignment with the global plan
- Outline of the Workplan
 - Roles in Implementing the workplan
 - Themes and key actions of the workplan
- Q&A
- Group Exercise: how you can your organisation engage in the Workplan?
- Summary

Alignment of the Global and Africa Plans



IAPB Secretariat Plan Priorities

- Global Advocacy
- Strengthening the Network
- Knowledge Connector
- Providing Services

IAPB Africa Workplan Themes

- Governance, Leadership and Coordination
- Integration
- Partnership
- Knowledge

Roles in Implementing the workplan



Role of the Members

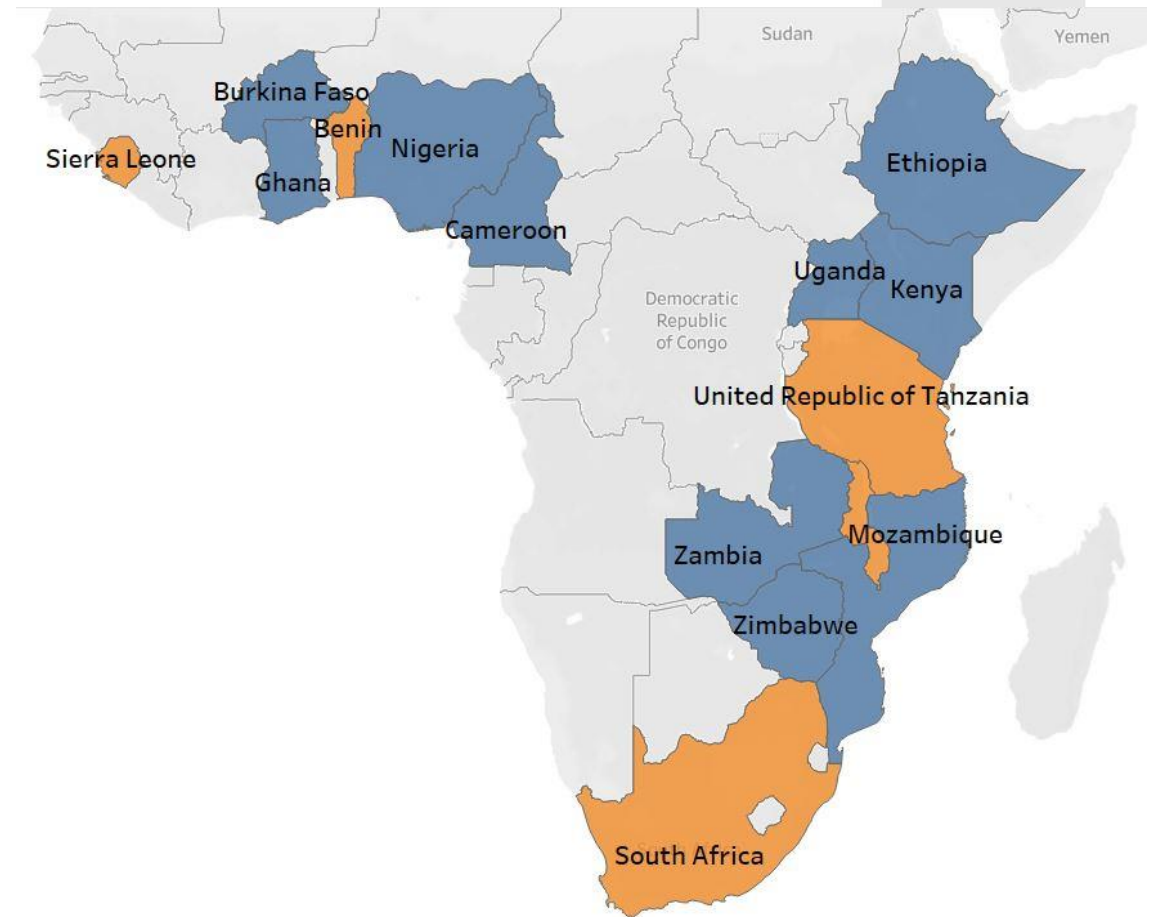
- Supporting processes at the country and sub-regional level
- Undertaking advocacy at the country and sub-regional level
- Participation in sub-regional health eye health advisory group
- Provision of technical expertise, personnel and funding
- Connecting with relevant stakeholders who can assist with inclusive key activities
- Conduct operational research on key issues, such as inclusion, with documentation of good practices and learnings
- Identify new partnership opportunities/ Foster new partnerships

Role of IAPB Africa

- Coordination of processes
- Coordination of engagements and management of relationships with sub-regional health organisations
- Undertaking advocacy at the country and sub-regional level
- Monitoring and the setting of national objectives and collate all the information on country progress reports
- Connecting with relevant stakeholders who can assist with inclusive key activities
- Build awareness among members on key issues, such as inclusion
- Identify new partnership opportunities/ Foster new partnerships

Governance, Leadership and Coordination

- Develop a package of eye health interventions based on recommendations of the WRV
- Launch the WRV at the national level
- Develop leadership roles based on WRV recommendations
- Promote the adoption of inclusive practices in eye health



Partnership

- Maintain partnership with WHO AFRO and regional health organizations
- Develop partnerships with global multilateral organizations to promote eye health



THE AFRICAN COUNCIL OF OPTOMETRY



West African Health Organization
Promoting better health through regional integration



**INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL
of OPHTHALMOLOGY**

Integration

- Determine potential for integration of Universal Eye Health Care into national policy
- Advocate for change in policy to enable integration of Universal Eye Health Care



Knowledge

- Optimise available communication channels to collate and disseminate information and knowledge
- Develop high quality standardised messaging for dissemination throughout the sector

A screenshot of the IAPB website (iapb.org) showing a navigation menu, a main content area with global vision impairment statistics, a membership map, and a newsletter preview. The main content area features a large blue header 'THE WORLD' with 'POPULATION 7.3 BILLION' below it. Three green circles contain the statistics: '36 MILLION PEOPLE ARE BLIND', '217 MILLION PEOPLE ARE MSVI', and '253 MILLION PEOPLE ARE VISUALLY IMPAIRED'. Below this is a bar chart titled 'CHANGE IN PREVALENCE OF VISUAL IMPAIRMENT' showing a decrease from 4.58% in 1990 to 3.38% in 2015. To the right, a green icon of a woman is next to the text '55% OF VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEOPLE ARE WOMEN'. Further right, it states '89% OF VISUALLY IMPAIRED PEOPLE LIVE IN LOW & MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES'. A world map shows IAPB membership locations. The newsletter preview is titled 'IAPB Africa Newsletter' and includes a table of contents and a 'Showcase: Africa' section.

Global Vision Impairment Data 2015 - an overview

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IAPB Membership Map

IAPB Africa Newsletter

1. IAPB Council of Members 2019

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Showcase: Africa

We have an exciting, engaging and diverse programme lined up for you, covering topics from Universal Eye Health to Health Financing and more.

Topics at the event include: a China/Africa forum, achieving Universal Eye Health in Africa, Showcasing South-South Co-operation, IAPB's African regional plan and more. So, come to Learn, Connect, Trend and Advocate.

Look out for the session on the IAPB Africa Regional Plan. In February 2019, in a consultative process involving staff, members and partners, the IAPB Africa 2019-2020 Workplan was developed. This future focussed workplan capitalises on what can be best achieved by IAPB, the collective, rather than individual members around the key themes of Partnerships, Connecting Knowledge, Governance and Leadership and Integration of eye health into broader health systems. This session covers the implementation of the IAPB Africa 2019-2020 Workplan and highlights opportunities for member organisations to engage with it.

Funding the Workplan: 2020



IAPB Theme	Lights on	Full Plan
Governance leadership and Leadership	34 000	44 000
Partnership	27 000	69 500
Integration	30 000	56 000
Connecting Knowledge	2 000	2 000
Total (US\$)	93 000	171 500



Questions?

Group Exercise: How members can engage with the IAPB Africa Workplan

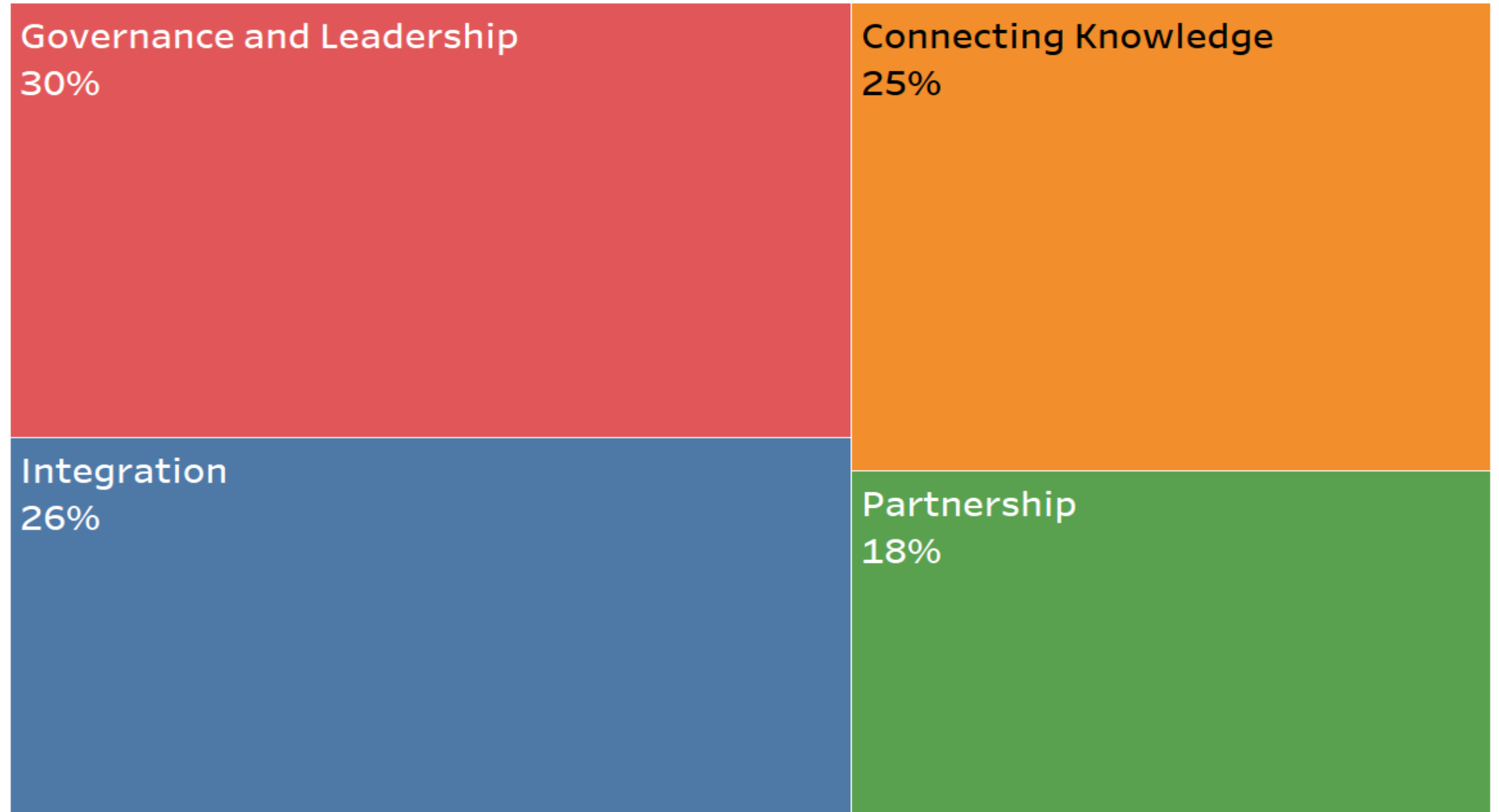


- Where does the workplan resonate with your organisation?
 - Theme
- How can your organisation engage with the workplan?
 - Identify your role in the key action

Name/ Organisation/ Region(s)

Governance, Leadership, Coordination	Partnership
Integration	Knowledge

IAPB Africa: Member Commitment to Workplan Themes





Wrap up