The diversity of the network is one of ICVA’s notable strengths: NGOs large and small, secular and faith-based, national and international united through a common commitment to principled humanitarian action.

**ICVA 2030 STRATEGY**

**TRANSFORMING OUR NETWORK**

On our journey to 2030 we commit to:

1. **Champion principled humanitarian action**
2. **Address impact of climate change on humanitarian action**
3. **Be globally distributed and locally rooted**
4. **Be diverse, inclusive, and live our values**
5. **Proactively engage in agile collaborative partnerships**

**OUR FOCUS AREAS**

- **Forced Migration**
  - Facilitates partnership initiatives and consultations to improve protection, assistance, and durable solutions for refugees, IDPs, stateless persons and vulnerable migrants.

- **Coordination**
  - Promotes coordination mechanisms that are inclusive and contextualised, and that provide effective assistance and protection to those affected by crisis.

- **Financing**
  - Advocates to ensure humanitarian financing meets the needs of populations affected by crises, whilst ensuring better access to humanitarian financing for NGOs.

**OUR WAYS OF WORKING**

- Analyse, Explain & Learn
- Convene
- Connect & Broker
- Influence & Advocate
- Support
- Collaborate
Programme priorities for 2022-2024

Transforming our network

Champion Principled humanitarian action
- Collaboration with ongoing initiatives and organisations working on IHL and humanitarian principles.
- Address impact of climate change on humanitarian action.
- Implementation of the five commitments and action纲要 adopted by the 18th ICVA General Assembly, May 2021.

Practically engage in agile collaborative partnerships
- Promote the Principles of Partnership and, where relevant, challenge to change partnering practices so that multi-stakeholder collaboration can become truly transformational.

Coordination
- Maintain a leadership role in key humanitarian platforms that shape finance policy with donors and deliver on the Grand Bargain and IASC bodies.
- Close engagement with OCHA, Peaced Inc and other humanitarian partners, to ensure those mechanisms are operational and effective.
- Facilitate the engagement between IASC and NGOs to ensure保驾 simplified and harmonised conditions of partnership.

Financing
- Convene NGOs to collectively engage with and influence global migration policy developments that negatively impact NGOs.
- Convene NGOs to engage with the Grand Bargain and IASC bodies to improve coordination mechanisms, and to ensure those mechanisms are operational and effective.
- Support innovative strategies to ensure that finance policy is aligned with the principles of partnership.

Engage and support the work of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC), including the Community of Practice and the Inter-Agency Mechanism.

Address issues of bias and racism both at the national and international level, through sharing of good practices, peer to peer learning and other tools.

Support best practices for safeguarding, ensuring protection from sexual exploitation and abuse (PSEA) and building a safe and secure work environment.

Membership Connecting NGOs

ICVA has 150 members across humanitarian responses across the world. Members are humanitarian NGOs, large and small, secular and faith-based, national and international, joined through a common commitment to principled and effective humanitarian action.

Membership in ICVA is open to national NGOs, international NGOs and NGO fora or networks. ICVA members guide the network’s strategic direction.

- Influence global policy and practice through access to UN and inter-governmental humanitarian policy and decision makers.
- Participate in collective and amplified NGO advocacy on humanitarian issues.
- Bring the field realities of humanitarian practice to global and regional forums.
- Engage in the MINAC consultations, through ICVA’s role as a key advocate and supporter of the IASC.
- Create opportunities for regional amplification and collaboration.
- Strengthen links between operational realities and global policies.
- Promote the implementation and offer evidence-based, solutions-oriented advocacy.
- Transforming our network
- Influence and shape advocacy and action to support NGOs to engage in and influence the humanitarian sector and beyond to ensure support to those in need remains rooted in principled humanitarian action.

Through its regional presence and proximity to country level NGOs, ICVA provides an important link between global and regional perspectives and ensuring a connection to the operational realities of its members.

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Our values & principles

- Our work is based on the principles of humanitarian, impartiality, neutrality, and independence as set out in the Principles of Partnership.
- ICVA’s work towards a system that enables people affected by humanitarian crises to receive equitable access to quality assistance and protection rooted in international humanitarian and human rights law.
- We promote innovative approaches to humanitarian policy development and implementation and offer evidence-based, solutions-oriented advocacy.
- We promote equitable and inclusive engagement of NGOs and principled multi-stakeholder partnerships to realise the full value of diversity and to ensure the legitimacy of our work.

Our vision

The idea that drives us

A world in which crisis-affected populations are effectively protected, assisted and enabled to rebuild their lives and livelihoods with dignity.

Our mission

What we want to achieve

A global network of non-governmental organisations whose mission is to make humanitarian action more principled and effective by working collectively and independently to influence policy and practice.

Promoting principled and humanitarian NGOs

Consortium of a global network of non-governmental organisations working on IHL and humanitarian principles.

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2022-2024

For more information about becoming a member please contact Secretariat@icvaconf.org

A global network of humanitarian NGOs

In 1962 a small coalition of refugee and migration-focused NGOs joined together to collectively tackle the challenges of forced migration and displacement. ICVA has grown into a global and diverse network of over 150 NGOs dedicated to working collectively to make humanitarian action more principled and effective.

Our members include large and small, secular and faith-based, national and international NGOs, networks and consortiums, operating in 140 countries, with an estimated income of over USD 20 billion and an outreach to 8000 NGOs.

ICVA’s 2022-2024 strategy sets the framework for the direction and focus of ICVA’s work from 2022-2024. Through our focus areas of Forced Migration, Coordination, and Financing we support NGOs to engage in and influence the humanitarian sector and beyond to ensure support to those in need remains rooted in principled humanitarian action.

Through our two transformations: Championed principled humanitarian action, and impact of climate change. Be globally distributed and locally rooted. Be diverse, inclusive and live our values and Fiscally engage in agile collaborative partnerships - we aim to evolve and transform the network. These transformations are integral to our work no matter what specific focus area or topic we are dealing with.

About ICVA

ICVA’s global reach

Historically based in Geneva, ICVA has representation in Africa, Asia-Pacific, Latin America and the Middle East and North Africa (MENA). Through the regional presence and proximity to country level NGOs, ICVA provides an important link between global and regional perspectives and ensuring a connection to the operational realities of its members.

Through its regional presence ICVA works closely with members and NGO fora to:
- Facilitate ICVA’s engagement with inter-governmental organisations and States in the region
- Strengthen links between operational realities and global policies
- Create opportunities for regional consultation and collaborative action on issues of common interest
- Engage and support the work of country level NGOs operating in humanitarian contexts.

ICVA’s work is adapted to different regions, working on the issues identified by members and aligned to the regional, country level and local nature of humanitarian crises and needs. We also aim to increase the degree to which local, national, and regional actors systematically participate in and inform global policies and influence, while maintaining support for transnationalising from the global to the local.

ICVA’s global reach

Promoting principled and effective humanitarian action

At a glance

2022-2024

Regional Presence

Africa

As of February 2023

Asia-Pacific

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A GLOBAL CONSORTIUM OF HUMANITARIAN NGOs

PROMOTING PRINCIPLED AND EFFECTIVE HUMANITARIAN ACTION

AT A GLANCE

2022-2024

Follow up to the recommendations from the High-Level Panel on Refugees, and respond to forced migration

• Intensification of investments in humanitarian assistance.
• Engage and support the work of country level NGOs operating in humanitarian contexts.
• Advocate with key stakeholders, NGOs to collaborate, exchange and provide a safe space for peer to peer learning and other tools.
• Champion Principled humanitarian action
• Support coordinated national NGO advocacy and action to increase access to humanitarian assistance.
• Support sustained collective NGO advocacy and action to influence policy and practice.
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