The initiative assists new and established partnership projects with networking, specialist dialogue, capacity building and quality assurance. The needs of both sides are taken into account. By training specialists, conducting applied research and strengthening health care infrastructure, we are helping to optimize health care provision. In this context, we promote transparency, sustainability and gender equality.

Peer-to-peer Partnerships
The Sustainable Development Goal 3 (SDG) of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development addresses the area of health, seeking to ‘Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages’. The Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health initiative funds partnerships between hospitals, universities and non-governmental organizations in Germany on the one hand and health facilities in partner countries on the other. Through peer-to-peer exchange between partners, we intend to improve health care services in low and middle-income countries and thereby help fulfil the global 2030 Agenda.

Strong Partners
Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health is a joint initiative of German Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Else Kröner-Fresenius-Foundation (EKFS). The initiative receives technical support from the German Federal Ministry of Health (BMG) and the World Health Organization (WHO). As a member of the ESTHER-Alliance we work with international partners within a broad network. The Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH (GIZ) is responsible for implementing the initiative.
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The Health Partnerships – Global funding programme supports partnership projects around the world. Public-law institutions/public-benefit organizations in Germany work with hospitals and other health care service providers in the partner countries. As part of the projects, we seek to implement practical, needs-based solutions that are backed up by sound research.

The University and Hospital Partnerships in Africa have a regional and thematic focus. They address public-law health care institutions and research institutes in Germany and sub-Saharan Africa. Up to EUR 150,000, funding can be provided for equipment, travel, training and operational research. It supports North-South and South-South partnerships. Organizations in Germany and Africa can apply for a specific topic every three years. The thematic focus of current projects (2017-2019) is on patient safety.

Have we caught your interest? Please do not hesitate to contact us:

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**Funding Opportunities**
Organisations within the German health sector can submit funding applications for partnership projects, which they are developing together with their partners. In some cases, we can also put interested German partners in touch with suitable institutions in the partner countries. As part of the projects, we seek to implement practical, needs-based solutions that are backed up by sound research.

The Hospital Partnerships – Partners Strengthen Health initiative supports partnerships that fit into the structures in the partner country. The partnership projects seek to facilitate comprehensive exchange of experience through project trips, temporary placements and training. Teams of nurses and technical and medical professionals advise their partners and work with them to improve patient care.

**Partner Commitment**
For a partnership to be successful, partners make a long-term commitment and contribute their own inputs. This may include the provision of personnel for project implementation, sharing of travel and transport costs, or the provision of in-kind contributions such as laboratory equipment, nursing care and maintenance. Our projects enable a two-way exchange of expertise on disease presentations, treatment options, technologies and procedures, which benefits all partners.

**The initiative currently offers two funding programmes:**

**Initiative**
**Hospital Partnerships**
**Partners Strengthen Health**

**Funding Programme Health Partnerships – Global**
The *Health Partnerships – Global* funding programme supports partnership projects around the world. Public-law institutions/public-benefit organizations in Germany work with hospitals and other health care service providers in the partner countries. There are normally two rounds of funding per year; funding amount: up to EUR 50,000, maximum two-year period. The money can be used for project trips, training initiatives and, to a limited extent, for materials and equipment.

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