

## A quick glance at the costed implementation plan for the updated WFP policy for South-South and Triangular Cooperation 2023-2027

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Approved by WFP's Executive Board in June 2023, the updated South-South and Triangular Cooperation (SSTC) policy empowers WFP to enhance and expand its position as a trusted and reliable broker and facilitator of South-South and triangular exchanges.

Specifically, Global South countries interested in sharing, adapting and implementing zero hunger solutions from their peers will benefit from WFP's enhanced support and from a deeper use of SSTC to achieve WFP goals to save lives and change lives.

The policy will be implemented using a costed implementation plan for 2023-2027. It aims to: (a) consolidate what WFP does best in SSTC, (b) respond to emerging SSTC demands in critical areas, and (c) ensure quality and results in the SSTC WFP supports.

To this end and building up on specific provisions in the update policy, the costed implementation plan activates and accelerates corporate enablers (which are underlying capacities WFP needs to meet its current Strategic Plan) through the following six workstreams:



WS1: Partnerships & financing



WS4: Strategic workforce planning



WS2: Programme support & mainstreaming



WS5: Communication & advocacy



WS3: SSTC results, learning & knowledge management



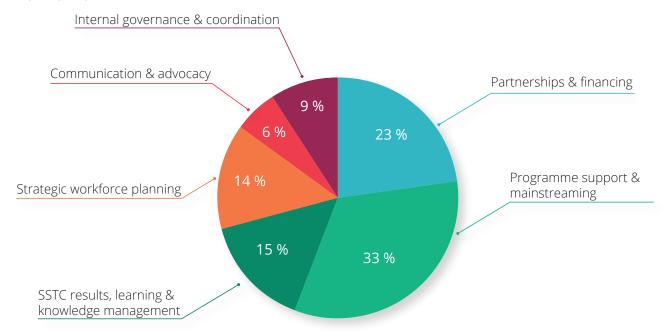
WS6: Internal governance & coordination

Each workstream entails a set of activities that are further backed by Key Performance Indicators with annual targets. This plan only refers to the central lead coordination of policy implementation housed at the HQ SSTC Unit.

Regional and country-level plans will be developed and costed based on each regional bureau's and country office's needs and priorities. Where demanded, the HQ SSTC Unit will provide support to develop these regional and where appropriate, country level plans. While ownership is shared by all corporate SSTC stakeholders and different units play an important role in putting the policy in practice, overall responsibility and accountability for policy implementation lies with the SSTC Unit.

The total cost of implementing the updated SSTC policy during the period 2023-2027 amounts to 9 million USD, of which a third covers program support and mainstreaming with a strong country level focus.

23 percent are needed to invest in partnerships and financing, which has a critical role to play in growing the SSTC portfolio through new agreements with Global South and triangular partners. The residual 40 percent are distributed in a relatively equal manner among the remaining work streams. Importantly, this total cost only reflects the corporate-level investment needed to implement the policy.



With current interest and momentum in the SSTC agenda, WFP estimates that donors will also continue to support SSTC field activities included under Country Strategic Plans.

Such support currently amounting to 3 million USD per year is foreseen to grow on an average of 10-20 percent annually.

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