

# Irish Forum for Global Health Annual Report 2017

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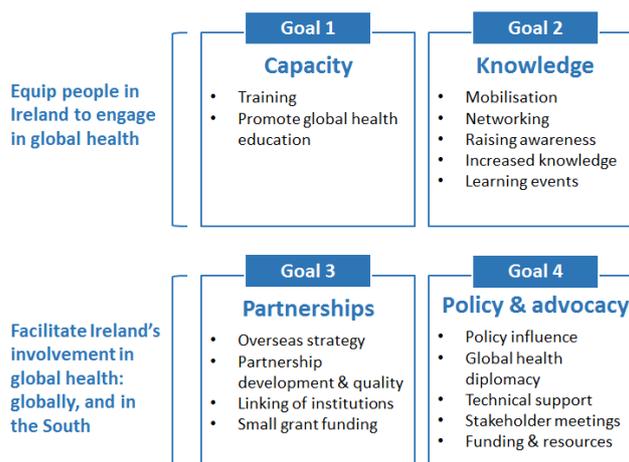
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## Project summary and key updates

The Irish Forum for Global Health is a diverse network of individuals who represent 8 constituent groups?? , including students, academic institutions, NGOs, the HSE, private sector, government, donors, and the general public. Their interests are spread across a wide range of sectors and fields relating to Global Health and development including nutrition; emergencies; non-communicable diseases; maternal and child health; water, sanitation, and hygiene; communicable disease; environmental health; and refugee health.

The IFGH operates using a workplan and strategic framework comprising a two-armed strategy which focuses on equipping people in Ireland to engage in Global Health, as well as facilitating Ireland's involvement in Global Health. Within this strategy are four strategic goals: 1) Capacity, 2) Knowledge, 3) Partnerships, and 4) Policy & advocacy. These are illustrated in the figure at right. We engage in activities including communications, events, training, and outreach, in order to achieve these strategic goals.



Our primary means of engaging with members on a day-to-day basis is via our email and social media channels, and in parallel we work in partnership with other organisations to create events such as lectures, training, workshops, and other learning opportunities.

This report is organised starting by highlighting key updates in a number of areas; reporting in a table format against strategic objective and then detailing a narrative providing detail around activities as per our strategic objectives. It concludes with a section on finances and should be read together with accompany annexes as mentioned on the cover page.

## Monitoring and Evaluation

- An external evaluation has concluded in the beginning of 2018 to cover the period 2015 – 2017 (accompanies this report as an appendix).
- A new M&E framework was put in place in 2016: Tracking of events and communications now feeds into this framework, helping us to align our activities to the IFGH strategic goals, and also assisted in the development of the workplan for 2017.
- We evaluated events wherever possible through feedback forms completed by attendees. This data was collected and presented at EMC and Board meetings to help guide future events and track performance.
- We also tracked our communications channels, and compiled regular communications reports presented at each EMC and Board meeting to help guide strategy and track performance.

## Governance

- In 2017, we continued the process of signing up to the Code of Good Practice. Supporting this, every Board meeting is evaluated. Furthermore, we developed a risk register which is reviewed at every Board meeting.
- We held 4 board meetings in 2017, as well as EMC meetings every 6 weeks.

## Membership & Communications

As of the end of 2017, we had 790 members.

Channel	Reach	No. of communications	Content (via all channels)
IFGH email	790	62	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regular news &amp; updates</li> <li>• 47 Global Health events</li> <li>• 10 courses/ educational opportunities</li> <li>• 44 Job opportunities</li> <li>• 16 pieces of new research, reports, or publications</li> </ul>
ESTHER Ireland email	566	17	
Twitter	1,674	844 (416 original messages, 428 re-tweets)	
Facebook	800	46	

We released 62 IFGH eForum emails and targeted campaigns to 790 IFGH members, and 17 ESTHER Ireland Partnerships Panorama newsletters and other emails to 566 ESTHER Ireland subscribers. We also produced 416 original messages for our 1,674 followers on Twitter, and our messages were seen by 758 people per day, and IFGH messages were re-tweeted 994 times throughout the year, on average 2.72 times per day. We produced 46 postings on our Facebook page, which currently has 800 page likes. Across these channels, among general news items and updates, we publicised 47 Global Health events; 10 courses and educational opportunities; 44 job opportunities; and 16 pieces of new research and evidence relating to Global Health topics.

## Events and training:

In 2017, we hosted or supported 12 courses, events, or trainings: 3 Global health Writes training workshops (29<sup>th</sup> May, 16<sup>th</sup> October, 13<sup>th</sup> November); a seminar with Irish Aid and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB, and Malaria (23<sup>rd</sup> January); the 1<sup>st</sup> Access to Medicines Ireland Annual Conference (8<sup>th</sup> February); a mini-symposium on gender equity and Gender-Based Violence (20<sup>th</sup> March); a peer learning event on Irish Aid Programme Funded activities with Concern Worldwide and World Vision

Ireland (12<sup>th</sup> September); an ESTHER small grants workshop (15<sup>th</sup> September); a conference on Climate Change and Health: The Challenges and the Opportunities (22<sup>nd</sup> September); International Health and Development Training for HSE employees in collaboration with Comhlámh, the HSE, and others (13-15<sup>th</sup> October); a side-event on International Health Partnerships at the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on Human Resources for Health (14<sup>th</sup> November); and the Irish Aid Professor Father Michael Kelly Lecture on HIV and AIDS (28<sup>th</sup> November).

#### Finance:

- In Autumn 2017, we hired a part-time Finance/ Administrative Assistant to administer IFGH and ESTHER Ireland financial and other matters.

#### Partnerships

- We have strengthened our working relationship with Comhlámh, and IFGH is now a Supporter of Comhlámh’s Code of Good Practice for International Volunteering.
- NUI Galway, in partnership with the IFGH, Comhlámh, Kimmage Development Studies Centre, and others’ assistance held a training for HSE professionals in October 2017.
- We are also continuing to work with the Development Studies Association of Ireland, and supported regular meetings of the Joint DSAI / IFGH Child Health Network.
- Throughout 2017, the IFGH Secretariat also fulfilled its role as the ESTHER Ireland secretariat, contributing a number of activities outlined in brief below, and in detail in the ESTHER Ireland 2017 Progress Report.

### Progress against strategic objectives

**At-a-glance activities and outputs 2017 by strategic goal (described in detail within Progress Narrative below):**

Strategic Goal	No. of activity areas	Activity type	Description
<b>GOAL 1: Capacity</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Training</b>	<p><b>I)</b> Hosted 3 Global Health Writes Training Workshops.</p> <p><b>II)</b> Co-hosted and facilitated an overseas health and development training weekend for HSE staff in partnership with Comhlámh, the HSE, and others.</p>
		<b>Student Outreach Group</b>	<p><b>I)</b> Supported the Student Outreach Group to host 2 guest lectures at University College Cork.</p> <p><b>II)</b> Presented the Student Outreach Group to second-year medical students at RCSI to seek new members.</p> <p><b>III)</b> Supported the Student Outreach</p>

			Group at University College Cork with materials to set up the Global Health Debate for 2018.
		<b>Members support</b>	Publicised 10 courses / educational opportunities, and 44 job opportunities to members via the IFGH email and newsletter.
<b>GOAL 2: Knowledge</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>Learning and networking events</b>	<p><b>I)</b> Global Health and SDGs event at RCSI (January 23rd)</p> <p><b>II)</b> Conference on Access to Medicines at Trinity College Dublin (February 8<sup>th</sup>)</p> <p><b>III)</b> Mini-symposium on gender equity and GBV (March 20<sup>th</sup>)</p> <p><b>IV)</b> Joint Concern Worldwide / World Vision Ireland / Centre for Global Health event focusing on Irish Aid Programme Fund activities (September 12<sup>th</sup>).</p> <p><b>V)</b> Conference on Climate Change and Health (September 22<sup>nd</sup>)</p> <p><b>VI)</b> Joint DSA Ireland Child Health Network meeting (November 6th)</p> <p><b>VII)</b> 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on Human Resources for Health (including ESTHER Ireland Side Event on International Health Partnerships) (November 13-17<sup>th</sup>)</p> <p><b>VIII)</b> Co-hosted Irish Aid Annual Professor Father Michael Kelly Lecture on HIV and AIDS (November 28<sup>th</sup>)</p>
		<b>Communications</b>	<p><b>I)</b> Created 7 in-depth email campaigns focusing on: Looking ahead to January 2017 (sent on January 10<sup>th</sup>); International Women’s Day (March 7<sup>th</sup>); World TB Day (March 23<sup>rd</sup>); World No Tobacco Day (March 30<sup>th</sup>); Irish AIDS Day (June 15<sup>th</sup>); Climate events in Galway (August 30<sup>th</sup>); and the ESTHER Side Event at the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on Human Resources for Health (October 26<sup>th</sup>).</p> <p><b>II)</b> Publicised 47 events focusing on Global Health knowledge and 16 pieces of research, reports, or publications.</p>

			<p><b>III)</b> Created 416 original messages on Twitter focusing on topical Global Health issues.</p> <p><b>IV)</b> Created 46 original messages on Facebook focusing on topical Global Health issues.</p>
<b>GOAL 3: Partnerships</b>	3	<b>Linking with domestic partners</b>	Joined the supporter network of the Comhlámh Code of Good Practice for International Volunteering.
		<b>Linking with international partners</b>	The IFGH became a member of the FESTMIH (Federation of European Societies for Tropical Medicine and International Health), to facilitate collaboration and information sharing across global health societies in Europe, and expand IFGH reach and visibility across Europe.
		<b>ESTHER Ireland</b>	Supported partnerships through communications, events including the ESTHER Ireland workshop for the small grants programme, through functions of the ESTHER Ireland Secretariat (please see ESTHER Ireland Progress Report for more information).
<b>GOAL 4: Policy &amp; Advocacy</b>	1	<b>Engaging with high-level representatives</b>	<p><b>I)</b> Co-hosted the first Access to Medicines Ireland Annual Conference which drew in international speakers and patient advocates, acting as a staging ground for a meeting with AWEPA representatives at the Dail.</p> <p><b>II)</b> Invited Minister Ciaran Cannon T.D. to open the Joint Concern Worldwide / World Vision Ireland / Centre for Global Health event focusing on Irish Aid Programme Fund activities (September 12<sup>th</sup>).</p> <p><b>III)</b> The Climate Change and Health Conference included a workshop discussion session facilitated by the EPA's Dr. Jonathan Derham, to help build a submission to the National Dialogue on</p>

			Climate Action.
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## Goal 1: Capacity

**In our first strategic goal, focused on “Capacity”, we aim to build capacity to engage in Global Health among students and professionals in Ireland.**

*To achieve this goal, we created and hosted workshops, training, and supported development of ethical guidelines to help improve the capacity of students and professionals to engage in global health work. To further support this, we publicised additional opportunities for education and training using our communications channels and social media.*

- 1) In 2017, we hosted three Global Health Writes workshops, in May, October, and November attended by 17, 8, and 14 individuals respectively, including participants from diverse sectors including academic, student, NGO, and HSE. These workshops were designed to introduce learners to key concepts in advocacy and journalistic writing around health topics. The first workshop in May was hosted at RCSI, focused on Irish Aids Day, and was facilitated by GHW Chief Editor Ian Hodgson and GHW trainers Bianca van Bavel and Chi McClean, in addition to Irish HIV advocate and activist Robbie Lawlor. The second workshop was focused on the theme of “resilience”, and was requested as a technical support activity by Concern Worldwide, whose staff were interested in writing up their programme data for advocacy purposes. Storm conditions prevented full-day workshop being held on the originally-scheduled date of 16<sup>th</sup> October, therefore GHW Chief Editor Ian Hodgson and IFGH Communications Coordinator Steve Macdonald worked with Concern Worldwide staff to help develop their data into full articles for their internal newsletter “Knowledge Matters”. The third workshop was held during the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on Human Resources for Health. The IFGH was funded by the WHO to train and facilitate a team of HSE rapporteurs as well as Global Health Writers. The workshops were well-evaluated, with overall quality of the workshop rated as “Excellent” or “Good” by all respondents (May workshop: 16 responses; 13 excellent; 3 good; Concern Worldwide workshop was not evaluated; 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on HRH workshop: 9 responses; 7 excellent; 2 good, see Annex for complete evaluations), and all responded that they either strongly agreed, or somewhat agreed, that the knowledge gained during the workshop would be useful in their future work. Attendees from the workshops produced written articles on relevant Global Health topics, which are hosted at <http://globalhealth.ie/category/global-health-writes/global-health-writes-articles/>.
- 2) The IFGH also supported a guest lecture series run by the University College Cork SOG, covering Public Health the Philippines following Typhoon Haiyan, and health among the Traveller Community in Ireland. UCC SOG has also agreed to host the Global Health Debate in early 2018 and is currently undertaking planning.
- 3) Through our partnership with Comhlámh, on February 2<sup>nd</sup> we held a joint training working group meeting which included members from our partners at Comhlámh, NUI Galway, Kimmage DSC, TCD, UCD, and HSE. The group also worked on a scoping exercise of the health and development courses that are available online. As part of the training working group activities, from the 13<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> October we co-hosted a training workshop for HSE staff, on health and development at the Achill Outdoor Education Centre on Achill Island. 52 people attended the training, which was taught by facilitators from NUI Galway, the HSE,

Comhlámh, IFGH, and Kimmage DSC. Attendees were drawn from across the HSE and included environmental health officers, physiotherapists and pharmacists, in addition to doctors and nurses. The event was evaluated overall positively by 38 attendees (19 strongly agreed, and 19 agreed, that they have a deeper understanding of health and development after the workshop; 35 agreed that they are better prepared to work or be a volunteer in resource-poor settings).

- 4) In October, we presented IFGH SOG to 2<sup>nd</sup> year medical students at RCSI. Subsequently, an RCSI representative joined the SOG and is currently seeking new members for the group.
- 5) The UCC SOG has agreed to host the Global Health Debate in early 2018 and is currently undertaking planning using materials developed by the IFGH.
- 6) We also publicised 10 educational courses and 44 job opportunities to our members via our email and newsletter.

## Goal 2: Knowledge

**In our second strategic goal, focused on Knowledge, we aim to provide a platform for increased knowledge, skills, and networking in Global Health.**

*To achieve this goal, we capitalised on partnerships with other stakeholder organisations, as well as supporting our Student Outreach Group to create learning opportunities. We also created focused communications around specific global health topics for dedicated issues of our email newsletter, and also continued to produce our weekly emails containing news updates, relevant news, and other information.*

- 1) In addition to our regular email and social media presence, throughout the year we created in-depth issues of our email newsletter to raise awareness and inform members around topics such as International Women's Day and World TB day, and complemented these with social media outputs.
- 2) In January we co-hosted an event with Irish Aid at RCSI focusing on Global Health and the SDGs. Featured speakers were Mark Dybul (Global Fund), Gerard Schmets (WHO) and Eilish McAuliffe (UCD). Speakers were interviewed with media and the event was also featured in other specialist channels such as Irish Medical Times. 86 people attended on that day, and the event was evaluated highly by participants (36 responded, 23 rated the event as excellent overall, 13 rated it as good).
- 3) On February 8<sup>th</sup> 2017 we co-hosted a mini-conference on Access to Medicines. This comprises a new initiative comprising Comhlámh, Universities Allied for Essential Medicines, the IFGH, and Trinity College Dublin's Centre for Global Health. Featured speakers included Hans Hogerzeil (Groningen University), Ellen 't Hoen (Co-Founder of MSF Access to Medicines), Diarmaid McDonald (Just Treatment, Ex-UNITAID), and Ciara Conlan (UAEM Irish Branch). Speakers were interviewed by RTE Drive Time Radio and the event was chaired by Newstalk FM's Dil Wickremasinghe. 74 attended on the day with 35 responses to the evaluation form (25 rated the overall quality of the event as excellent, 9 rated it as good, and 1 average). A debrief meeting and next steps planning on the event took place on March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2017.

- 4) On March 20<sup>th</sup> we co-hosted a mini-symposium on Gender Equity and GBV with the Irish Consortium on Gender Based Violence. Featured speakers were Dr. Sarah Degnan Kambou (International Centre for Research on Women), Seona Dillon Mcloughlin (ICGBV), Deirdre Ni Cheallaigh (Trocaire), and Priya Joshi (ActionAid). 27 attended on the day with 16 evaluation responses (13 rated the event as excellent overall, and 3 rated it as good).
- 5) On September 12<sup>th</sup> 2017 we hosted a peer learning event at RCSI on Maternal Neonatal Child Health, with NGOs and academic institutions which were recipients of Irish Aid Programme Funding. 51 people attended. Speakers were drawn from Concern Worldwide (Breda Gahan), World Vision Ireland (Magnus Conteh), and the TCD Centre for Global Health (Brynne Gilmore). Minister of State for the Diaspora and International Development Ciaran Cannon T.D. opened the event. 64 people attended, and overall the event was evaluated positively (11 rated the event as excellent, 8 rated good, and 1 average).
- 6) On September 22<sup>nd</sup>, we co-hosted a conference on Climate Change and Health in partnership with NUI Galway and others. Speakers included Nick Watts (Lancet Commission on Climate Change), Joni Pegram (UNICEF), and John O'Neill (Department of Communications, Climate Action, and Environment). The event included a dialogue to help inform a submission to the National Dialogue on Climate Action. 80 people attended the event with 20 evaluation responses (10 rated the conference as excellent, and 10 rated good).
- 7) On November 6<sup>th</sup>, we hosted a meeting of the Joint DSA Ireland / IFGH Child Health Network, which gathered 6 individuals from NGOs and academia to discuss and learn about current topics in Child Health internationally. This was the second meeting of the year, the first of which was hosted by the Centre for Global Health at Trinity College Dublin, in January.
- 8) From the 13-17<sup>th</sup> November, the IFGH was involved in the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on Human Resources for Health. IFGH played an active role in the conference organization, assisting in the programme committee, local organising committee, and online coverage. The IFGH was also Funded by the WHO to conduct reportage from the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum, with a Global Health Writes team, and HSE rapporteur team, coordinated by GHW Chief Editor Dr. Ian Hodgson. The resulting content has been cross-posted to websites such as Intrahealth (<https://www.intrahealth.org>) and others. 26 articles were produced by the Global Health Writes Team, and members also assisted with social media outputs during the Forum.
- 9) Our Student Outreach Group was also active during the year, and we have relationships with relationships with six universities across Ireland: Dublin City University (DCU); NUI Galway (NUIG); Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland (RCSI); Trinity College Dublin (TCD); University College Cork (UCC); and University of Limerick (UL).
- 10) On November 28<sup>th</sup> we supported Irish Aid to host the Annual Irish Aid Professor Father Michael Kelly Lecture on HIV and AIDS, which took place at the Royal Irish Academy, featuring an introductory address via pre-recorded video by Father Michael himself, and chaired by Ruairi De Burca (Director General of Irish Aid), guest speakers Daphine Abaho (Peer educator from Uganda), Dr. Chewe Luo (Chief of HIV/AIDS Programme Division at UNICEF), and Ciaran Cannon (Minister of State for the Diaspora and International Development in Ireland). The event was attended by 68 individuals on the day, and was

evaluated highly (15 completed feedback forms, 11 rated overall excellent, 4 rated overall good – see Annex for complete evaluation). Attendees included students, academics, members of large NGOs including Concern Worldwide, Oxfam Ireland, and Trocaire, as well as staff from HSE, Irish Aid, and diplomatic representatives.

### Goal 3: Partnerships

**In our third strategic goal, focused on Partnerships, we aim to support engagement in Global Health through facilitation of high quality partnerships.**

*To achieve this goal, we strategically partnered with organisations in Ireland and abroad, using our capacity to provide support in the area of communications and events hosting, in addition to performing our role as the Secretariat of ESTHER Ireland to support international health partnerships between Irish and overseas health institutions.*

- 1) The IFGH Joined the supporter network of the Comhlámh Code of Good Practice for International Volunteering. The supporter network was launched on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March 2017 at an event opened by then Minister of State for the Diaspora and International Development, Joe McHugh T.D. 10 other organisations are also supporters, such as the HSE, Kimmage DSC, and INMO.
- 2) The IFGH became a member of the FESTMIH (Federation of European Societies for Tropical Medicine and International Health), which is a non-profit international association. The partnership also helps to facilitate collaboration and information sharing across global health societies in Europe, and it allows IFGH to expand their reach and visibility across Europe. Currently there are 14 European member societies. In March 2017 David Weakliam attended the FESTMIH Board Meeting and in October 2017 IFGH Chair Professor Anne Matthews presented at the 10<sup>th</sup> European Congress on Tropical Medicine and International Health.
- 3) A core component of our work towards Goal 3 is the IFGH Secretariat's additional function as the ESTHER Ireland Secretariat. (For more details, please see the ESTHER Ireland progress report.) In brief, we took the following actions to facilitate high-quality partnerships:
  - a. We re-structured the ESTHER Ireland Start-Up Grants Programme, now known as the Small Grants programme, comprising two bands of available small grants: i) up to €8,000 for individual organisations, and ii) up to €15,000 for multi-institution groups. The application process was fully managed using our online grants application and reviewing system at <http://www.commongrantapplication.com>.
  - b. We hosted a workshop on 15<sup>th</sup> September to introduce new applicants to ESTHER Ireland, the Small Grant Programme, and to the application system. The workshop was also for those who have already received a small grant through ESTHER Ireland and want to strengthen their partnership.
  - c. We coordinated applications and reviews by the ESTHER Ireland Steering Group, with 11 applications and 8 grant awards.
  - d. We produced 17 email campaigns which shared information and updates on ESTHER Ireland activities and international health partnerships with ESTHER Ireland members.
  - e. We co-hosted the Side Event on North South Institutional Health Partnerships at the 4<sup>th</sup> Global Forum on Human Resources for Health. The objective of the session was to demonstrate IHPs contribute to the WHO Global Strategy on Human Resources for Health, to discuss how to develop the role of IHPs as a model of technical cooperation and prepare a statement from the session/conference on IHPs and HRH. The session highlighted the Mozambique-HSE partnership, as well as other successful ESTHER Ireland endeavours. Approximately 120 attended the side event,

which was evaluated positively (40 evaluation responses; 19 excellent; 20 good; 1 average).

- f. We contributed towards the Evidence and Effectiveness, and Communication and Coordination Working Groups of the European ESTHER Alliance.
- g. Assisted in the development of the European ESTHER Alliance online collaboration platform, which acts as an online repository of key information about all of the partnerships supported by the EEA, to encourage efficient collaboration, and to reduce duplication, or situations where two countries may have been working within the same country, and even within the same city or region, but without knowledge of each other's activities. Information from this database will also be used in advocacy activities to promote the European ESTHER Alliance going forth. After presenting the collaboration platform at a meeting hosted by Expertise France in April, the Communication and Coordination Working Group received valuable feedback and strategic direction and the collaboration platform is being developed further.

#### Goal 4: Policy & Advocacy

**In our fourth strategic goal, focused on Policy & advocacy, we aim to influence Global Health policy in both Ireland and globally.**

*To achieve this goal, we worked together with partners on events such as the Professor Father Michael Kelly Lecture on HIV and AIDS to maintain awareness of key issues among our members and the general public, as well as create opportunities to access high-level representatives from government and other organisations.*

- 1) We facilitated the organisation of the first Access to Medicines Ireland Conference in February, which gathered a wide range of stakeholders to advocate for improved access to medicines. The conference brought in international experts such as Ellen 't Hoen and Diarmaid McDonald, and it was also used as a preamble to a meeting at the Dail, where representatives from Access to Medicines Ireland met with AWEPA representatives to discuss further action.
- 2) Minister Ciaran Cannon T.D. was invited to speak to open the joint Concern Worldwide / World Vision Ireland / Centre for Global Health Peer Learning Event which we co-hosted at RCSI in early September.
- 3) The conference "Climate Change and Health: The Challenges and the Opportunities", which we co-hosted on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, featured a workshop discussion session facilitated by the Environmental Protection Agency's Dr. Jonathan Derham, which was used to solicit input from attendees to help form a submission to the National Dialogue on Climate Action.

## Lessons learned

We endeavour to incorporate a culture of learning throughout IFGH operations. Specifically, this means that we:

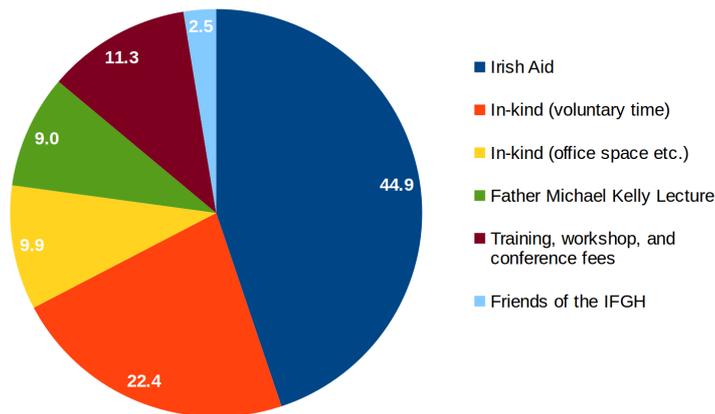
- 1) Conduct regular review of our activities and workplan to ensure that we fulfil the tasks set out at the beginning of the year. This also helps us identify areas where we may lack capacity, and revise targets accordingly, in response to changing conditions.
- 2) Routinely seek quantitative and qualitative feedback from attendees to our events, to help identify areas of improvement.
- 3) Conduct regular review of our finances in order to make the most efficient use of the available resources.
- 4) Regularly seek input from our partner organisations to learn their priorities and identify opportunities to create new joint initiatives.
- 5) Conduct staff appraisals to identify strengths and weaknesses, and formulate concrete actions to improve support in these areas.

In 2017, we aimed to create and facilitate more events that gathered the global health community. We also built upon our past successful initiatives, growing and improving activities that are valued by our members, such as the Global Health Writes programme, and the joint training working group. Through these activities, we have been able to engage members across a wide range of topics and will continue to seek new opportunities to do this throughout 2018.

## Financials

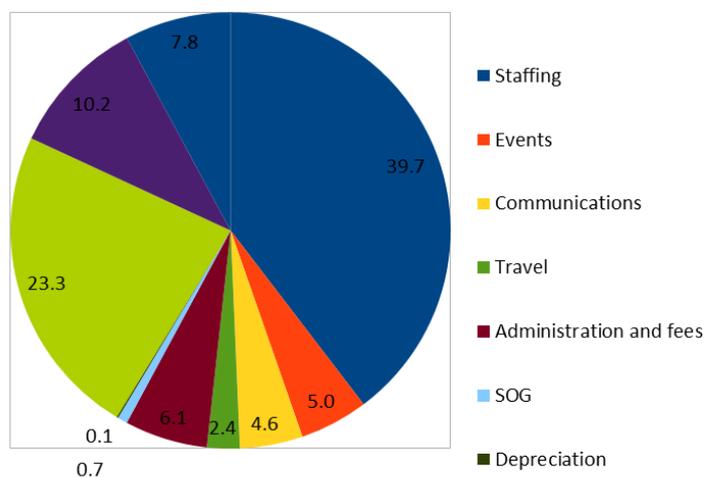
### **IFGH Income**

Our total income for 2017 was €111,442, with the largest proportion, €50,000 (44.9%), coming via a grant from Irish Aid and the Department of Foreign Affairs. We also received €10,000 (9.0%) to facilitate the Annual Irish Aid Professor Father Michael Kelly Lecture on HIV and AIDS. Other income included training workshop and conference fees of €12,602 (11.3%) from participants of the Achill training workshop, Climate change conference, and Global Health Writes workshops that we received from organizations including the HSE, the WHO, and Concern worldwide. The Friends of the IFGH also contributed €2,840 (2.5%) towards our operating costs, enabling us to do more to support our members. We also received in-kind support in the form of voluntary time of approximately 500 working hours, or 62.5 working days contributed by IFGH Members, IFGH Board Members, IFGH Executive Management Committee and the ESTHER Steering Group, totaling €25,000 (22.4%). We also received in-kind support in the form of hosting and office space (\*non-monetary), meeting rooms, and office overheads, totaling €11,000 (9.9%) (\*non-monetary).



### IFGH Expenditure

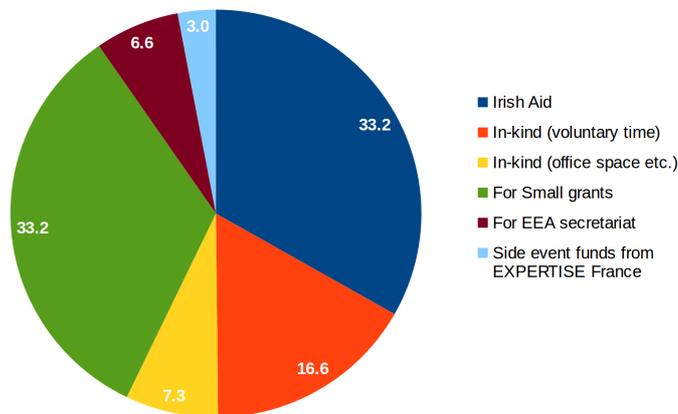
During 2017, total IFGH expenditure of €107,427 was spread across several categories: Staffing was the greatest expenditure, at €42,610 (39.7%). Events costs were €5,412 (5.0%), communications expenditure was €4,974 (4.6%), and travel expenditure was €2,572 (2.4%). Administration and fees expenditure was €6,562 (6.1%), whilst Student Outreach Group expenditure was €771 (0.7%), depreciation €128 (0.1%). In-kind voluntary time contributed totaled €25,000 (23.3%)(\*non-monetary), whilst in-kind office space, meeting rooms, and office overheads totaled €11,000 (10.2%)(\*non-monetary). Expenditure on the Irish Aid Annual Professor Father Michael Kelly Lecture on HIV and AIDS was €8,398 (7.8%).



### ESTHER Ireland Income 2017

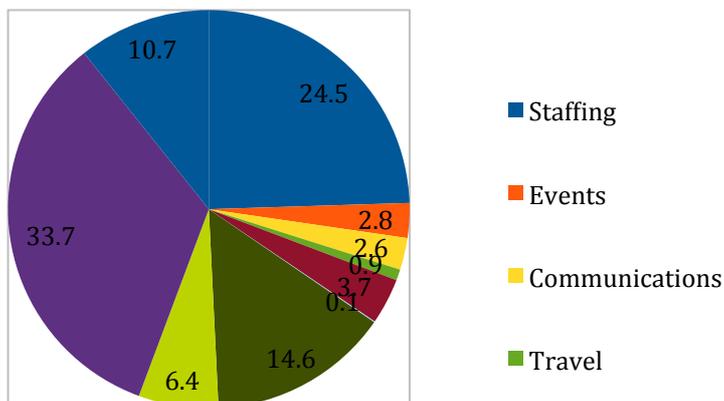
Total income for ESTHER Ireland Secretariat operations in 2017 was €150,500. This included core income from Irish Aid of €50,000 (33.2%), another €50,000 from Irish Aid for small grants (33.2%), €10,000 (6.6%) for the European Secretariat and €4,500 (3.0%) contribution from EXPERTISE France for the Side Event on International Health Partnerships at the Fourth Global Forum on Human Resources for Health in November. The IFGH and ESTHER Ireland also acknowledge and thank our partners for the large amount of in-kind contributions received: In 2017, we received additional in-kind contributions including hosting and office space, meeting rooms, and office overheads, totaling

€11,000 (7.3%) (\*non-monetary). We also received 1000 voluntary working hours, or 125 working days, per year contributed by IFGH Members, IFGH Board Members, IFGH Executive Management Committee and the ESTHER Steering Group, totaling €25,000 (16.6%) (\*non-monetary).



### ESTHER Ireland Expenditure 2017

Total expenditure for ESTHER Ireland operations in 2017 was €170,943. This included €41,877 (24.5%) for staffing and interns; €4,821 (2.8%) for events including the Side Event on International Health Partnerships; €4,430 (2.6%) for communications; €1,518 (0.9%) for travel; €6,380 (3.7%) for administration and fees; depreciation €129 (0.1%); €25,000 (14.6%) in-kind voluntary time contributed (\*non-monetary); and €11,000 (6.4%) in-kind office space (\*non-monetary), meeting rooms, and office overheads contributed. €57,558 (33.7%) was approved for small grants (disbursed in Jan/ Feb 2018) and €18,230 (10.7%) was contributed to the European ESTHER Alliance Secretariat. The contribution for this year from Irish Aid was €10,000 plus money carry forward from 2016 of €9,901; covering the Esther Alliance secretariat expenses



Full information on 2017 financial can be found in the accompanying Audited Accounts.

Notes \* In-kind contribution was non-monetary value and is not included in the audited account