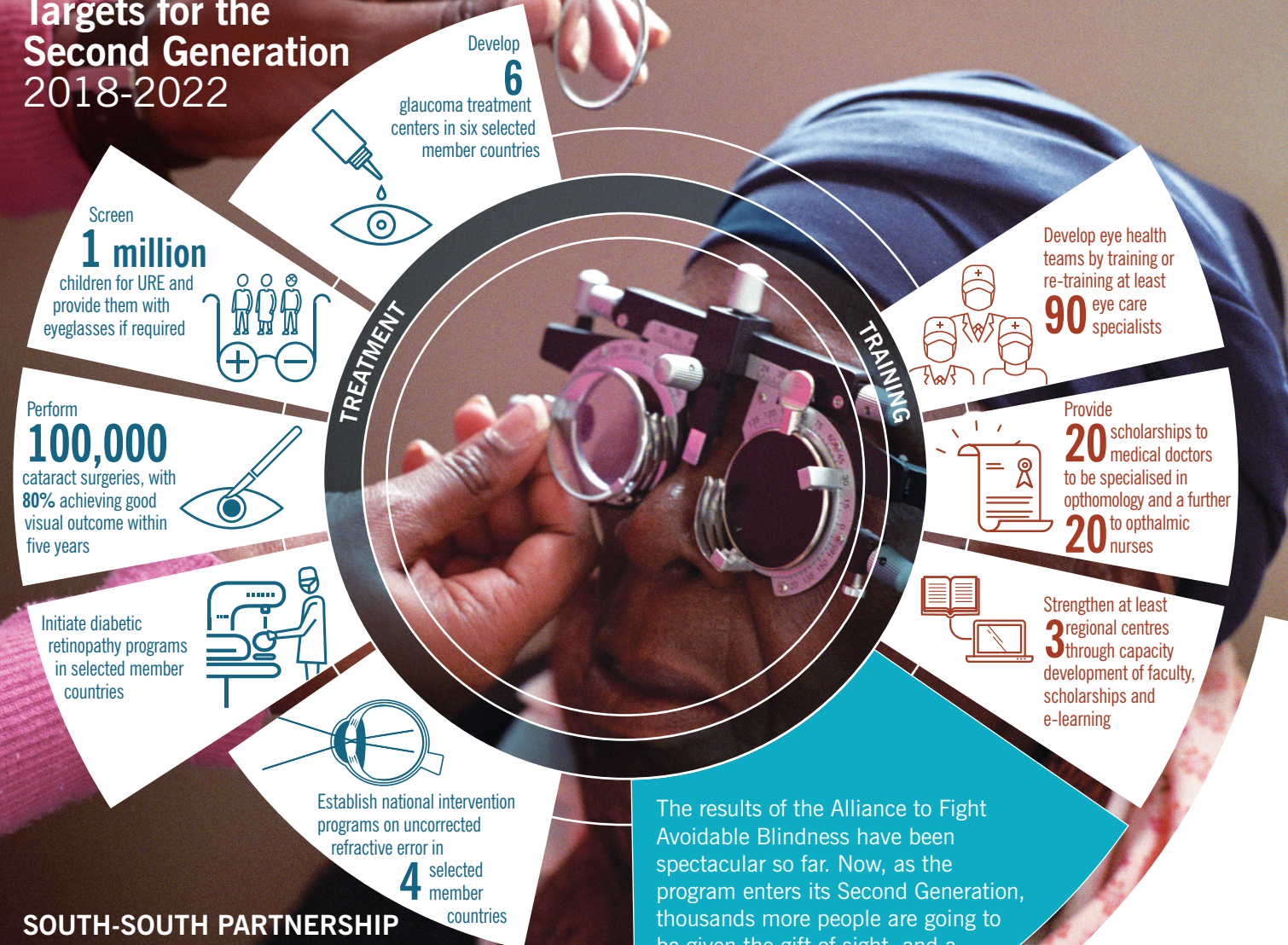


Targets for the Second Generation 2018-2022



SOUTH-SOUTH PARTNERSHIP

A UNIQUE ASPECT OF THE IDB

A unique aspect of the IDB – and thus of the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness – is the idea of South-South partnership. As nations join the Alliance and share their expertise and resources with other IDB members, strong partnerships are formed. This co-operative spirit and solidarity have an impact that goes well beyond eye care. It is teamwork that can light up lives and transform whole nations.

The results of the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness have been spectacular so far. Now, as the program enters its Second Generation, thousands more people are going to be given the gift of sight, and a clear path out of poverty.

Join the Alliance

Help give a Bright Future to people, and nations, who need to see a clear path out of poverty.

Your involvement today could expand our reach and bring the gift of sight to more people, transforming their lives. To find out more about how you can help, contact:

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A BRIGHT FUTURE

Restoring sight to give people a clear path out of poverty

THE ALLIANCE TO FIGHT AVOIDABLE BLINDNESS

The Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness



THE IMPACT PROMISES TO BE NOT JUST EYE-OPENING, BUT LIFE-CHANGING.

At the Islamic Development Bank (IDB), our goal is to foster the economic development and social progress of our member countries.

That's why, in 2008, we launched the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness, a partnership program designed to restore people's sight, prevent vision loss and build the capacity of medical teams in countries in Africa where millions needlessly live in darkness. Not only does widespread blindness devastate lives, it is also a major obstacle to a country's economic growth.

The Alliance brought together eye-care non-governmental organizations, ministries of health, training centers and donors, all with the shared goal of helping as many people as possible 'see the light' and find a clear path out of poverty.

The First Generation of this ambitious program ended in 2015 with impressive results. Now we aim to build on that success and roll this initiative out to more countries, where we will raise awareness, train medical staff and target a wider range of eye conditions.

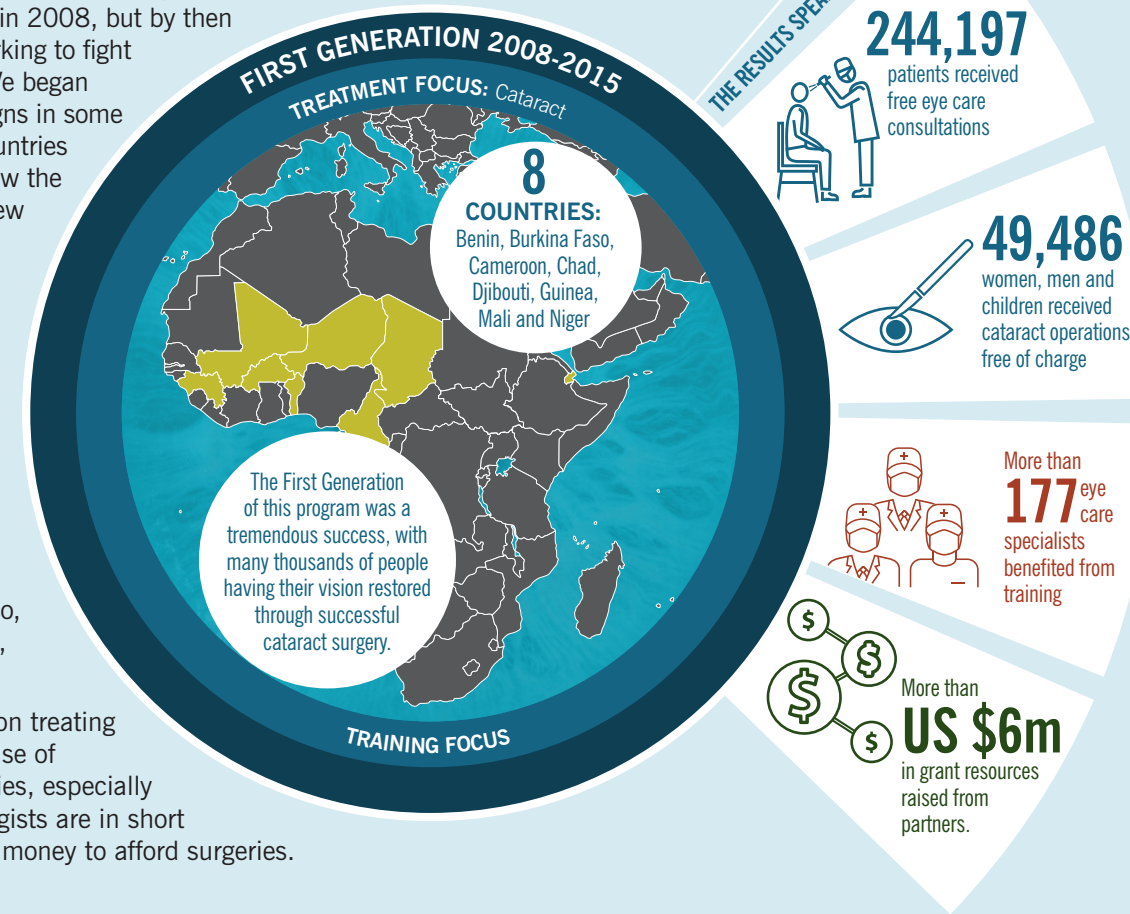
A powerful partnership making a clear difference

First Generation: 2008-2015

The First Generation of the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness officially began in 2008, but by then IDB had already been working to fight blindness for five years. We began funding cataracts campaigns in some of our African member countries in 2003, and when we saw the difference it made, we knew we had to do more.

So in 2008 we launched the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness, a regional initiative that used South-South partnerships and a multi-faceted approach to address the problem of blindness in eight of our member countries in Africa: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Chad, Djibouti, Guinea, Mali and Niger.

Our particular focus was on treating cataracts: the leading cause of blindness in many countries, especially those where ophthalmologists are in short supply or people have no money to afford surgeries.



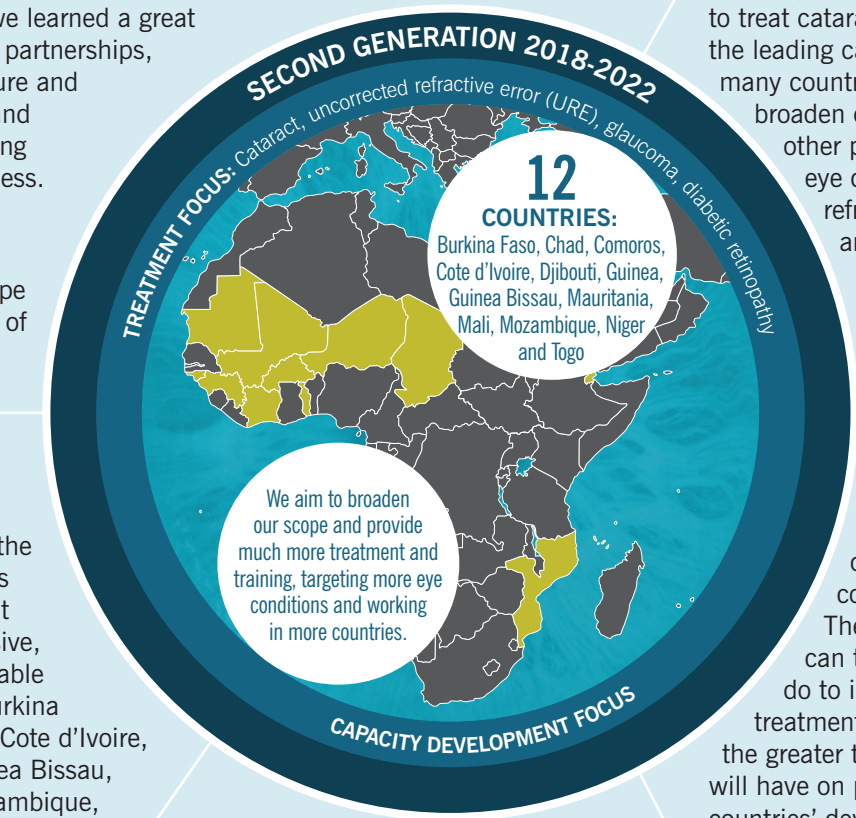
More countries, more treatment, more capacity development

Second Generation: 2018-2022

During the first phase of the Alliance to Fight Avoidable Blindness, we learned a great deal as we formed key partnerships, established infrastructure and devised best practice and effective ways of working together to fight blindness.

Now we are applying what we have learned as we broaden our scope and ramp up the scale of this program.

Firstly, we are going to be working in more countries – 12 in total, compared to 8 during the First Generation. In this second phase, we want to provide comprehensive, accessible and sustainable eye care services in Burkina Faso, Chad, Comoros, Cote d'Ivoire, Djibouti, Guinea, Guinea Bissau, Mauritania, Mali, Mozambique, Niger and Togo.

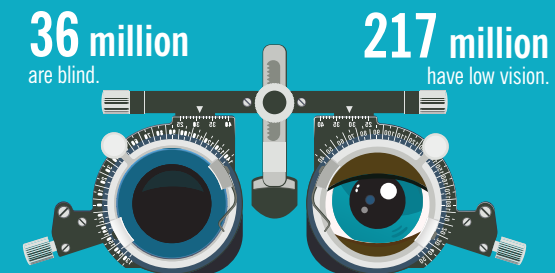


Secondly, although we will continue to treat cataracts, which remain the leading cause of blindness in many countries, we also want to broaden our scope to include other preventable and curable eye diseases: uncorrected refractive error, glaucoma and diabetic retinopathy.

Finally, in order to make lasting change, we want to develop the capacity of medical centers in the countries where we work. The more medical staff we can train, the more we can do to improve diagnosis and treatment of eye conditions, the greater the impact we will have on people's lives and countries' development.

BLINDNESS AROUND THE WORLD: THE FIGURES

According to The Vision Loss Expert Group (Lancet publication in 2017) estimates, there are approximately **253 million** visually impaired people worldwide.

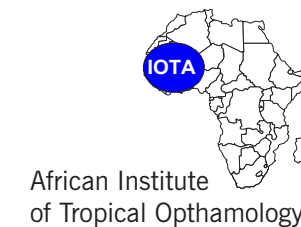


89% of visually impaired people live in low-income countries.

Among the leading causes of visual impairment are cataracts, glaucoma, age-related macular degeneration, diabetic retinopathy and refractive errors such as long- or short-sightedness.

80% of all visual impairment can be prevented or cured.

OUR MAIN PARTNERS



NOW WE NEED TO BUILD ON THIS MOMENTUM, TRAIN MORE MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND HELP MORE PEOPLE SEE A CLEAR PATH OUT OF POVERTY. IT'S TIME TO BEGIN THE SECOND GENERATION.