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ABOUT THE VIRCHOW PRIZE

The Virchow Prize for Global Health recognizes and celebrates innovations with significant impact on the broad health challenges we face as a global community. Closely aligned with the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, the Prize is awarded annually in Berlin and honours lifetime achievements towards "Health for All".

2022 VIRCHOW PRIZE LAUREATE

JOHN N. NKENGASONG

Inaugural laureate of the 2022 Virchow Prize for Global Health, John Nkengasong, was awarded for his outstanding and significant lifetime contributions towards strengthening global health. His unparalleled commitment to addressing complex health challenges, his development of systemic and holistic approaches which have fundamentally shaped the global health landscape, and mobilisation towards the attainment of the United Nations 2030 Agenda Sustainable Development Goals and "health and wellbeing for all" made him a deserving laureate of the Virchow Prize for Global Health.

Watch 2022 award ceremony [highlights](#)



PRIZE ENDOWMENT

On November 11, 2022, Virchow Prize Laureate, John N. Nkengasong announced that he would dedicate the entire prize endowment to the African Field Epidemiology Network (AFENET), a non-profit organisation in Kampala, Uganda, to support programmes that help address health inequities in vulnerable populations.

Read the [press release here](#)

EMPOWERING VULNERABLE AND DISPLACED POPULATIONS IN CAMEROON THROUGH THE VIRCHOW PRIZE DONATION OF 500,00 EUROS (EVDP) REPORT

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The "Empowering Vulnerable and Displaced Populations in Cameroon through the Virchow Prize Donation of 500,000 Euros" project was implemented in collaboration with the Ministry of Public Health, and the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Civic Education, Cameroon. The project empowered vulnerable and displaced adolescent girls and boys, as well as young women and men in the conflict-stricken Northwest and Southwest regions of Cameroon. The project, covering the period from April to November 2023, focused on three main objectives.

- **Strengthening educational and economic empowerment**
- **Strengthening the community healthcare workforce**
- **Enhancing sexual and reproductive health**

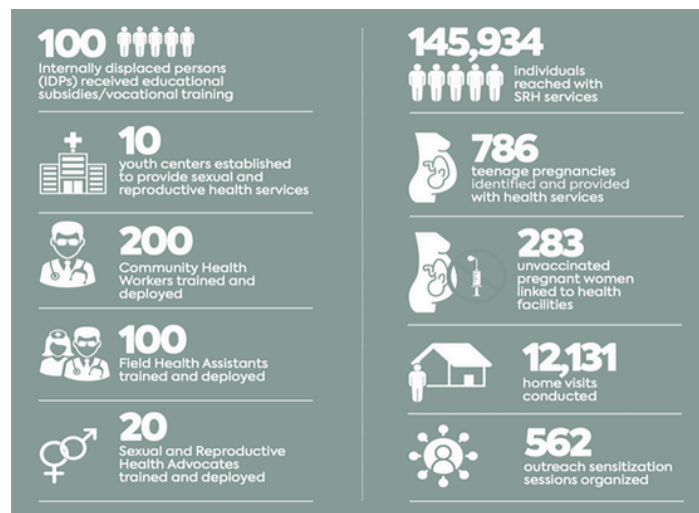
The project also included the development of a scholarship programme, job placement assistance and networking and professional development to support the educational and economic empowerment of vulnerable individuals.

There were tangible improvements in access to education and vocational skills contributing to the overall well-being and prospects of the beneficiaries.

In conclusion, the project has made significant strides in addressing the multifaceted challenges faced by internally displaced populations.

- **Improved access to education and skill development**
- **Substantial improvement in the overall sexual and reproductive health outcomes in covered regions**

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS IN NUMBERS





ABOUT AFENET

The African Field Epidemiology (AFENET) is a not-for-profit networking and service organisation dedicated to improving health outcomes of the communities in liaison with ministries of health and other partners. Strengthening capacity for public health preparedness and response through Field Epidemiology (and Laboratory) Training Programs {FE(LTPs)}, and other applied epidemiology training programs is one of their core activities.

Established in 2005 with a Secretariat in Kampala, Uganda, AFENET has presence in over 40 countries and at least 700 personnel in various locations. Learn more [here](#).

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