



Health Diplomacy and Academic Institutes:
Possible **Bergen-Khartoum Model** in Peace Building

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HEALTH

**Deeply
interconnected with:**

Environment,
Trade,
Economic growth,
Social development,
National security,
Human rights and
dignity .

Main Actors

Governments

NGOs and foundations

Private sector

Regional organizations

UN (WHO, UNICEF, and UNDP)

World Bank, IMF


Gro Harlem
Brundtland

Norway (Jan
Gahre Store)
,France
(Bernard
Kochner)
Senegal,
South Africa,
Thailand
Brazil,,
Indonesia

Oslo Declaration, March 2007

We need to work together to enhance the connection between health and foreign policy, emphasizing collaboration with related entities and better coordination with international health organizations



A conceptual image featuring a stethoscope with a globe as the chest piece, resting on a world map. The globe is positioned over the North Atlantic region. The stethoscope's tubing and earpieces are visible, extending across the map. The overall scene is dimly lit, with a dark blue and green color palette, suggesting a global health or international policy theme.

Health is one of the most important **long-term foreign policy issues** of our time and needs to hold a strategic place in the international agenda

Pandemics, Epidemics Health Security

- Infectious diseases have no passports



Human Resources for Health

- Establish multilateral and/or bilateral mechanisms to ensure mutually beneficial movement to both sending and receiving countries
- **Facilitate use of the Diaspora**



Human Resources for Health

- Exchange of technical expertise through facilitating strong collaboration and partnerships
- Support health research capacity building
- Facilitate better access for researchers from **LDC countries** to **global knowledge networks**.



Human Resources for Health

- Encourage the development of national plans for **HRH** according to the standard set by **WHO** and the **Global Health Workforce Alliance (GHWA)**
- **Train more health workers**



Conflicts & Peace Building

- Recognize that **health can be a good entry point to initiate dialogue**
- Monitoring suffering in conflict and war



Health & Environment

- Make the links between **environment and global health policies visible** in foreign policy engagements



Health & Development

- Give **health top priority** in the national and international cross-sectoral development agenda
- Improve governance and better co-ordination of multiple, competitive donors and aid providers:
 - **UN agencies, international financial institutions, regional mechanisms, donor countries, private foundations**



Trade policies & Measures

Include health policies in the formulation of all bilateral and multilateral trade agreements.





Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Strategy Towards Health
(Health Diplomacy 2009)



Policy

- **Build bilateral relations** in the field of health within the countries of representation
- Strengthen collaboration between **health sector and health related regional and international organisations**





Priority Areas

- Epidemics & health security
- Human Resources in Health
- Development/Trade
- Environment



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سعادة السفير يقيم لقاء بمنزله مع لجنة تسير دبلوماسية الصحة





Impact of War in Khartoum

- The city has practically ceased functioning, **most hospitals are shattered**
- Safe drinking water and food are scarce, while electricity is mostly out
- Schools are closed, universities and their libraries sacked
- Commerce has come to a near standstill
- Checkpoints blocking traffic in every direction
- Banks are inaccessible



لاطبوا

DOCTOR'S CLINIC



بين قوات الجيش
الخرطوم

مستشفى شرق النيل
الخرطوم
مستشفى شرق النيل
الخرطوم

■ مشاهد دمار بمستشفى شرق النيل إثر قصفه من قبل قوات الجيش



A low-angle photograph of a United Nations flag flying on a tall pole against a dark, cloudy sky. The flag is blue with the white UN emblem. In the background, a modern building with a grid-like facade is visible. The word "Stakeholders" is overlaid in white text on the flag.

Stakeholders

United Nations Agencies

- **WHO**
Role: Provide expertise in health crisis management, offer training programs, supply essential medicines and vaccines, and assist in health data management
- **UNICEF**
Role: Focus on child health, nutrition, and vaccination drives, provide supplies and resources for maternal and child health.





International and Regional NGOs

- **Médecins Sans Frontières**

Role: Set up emergency clinics, offer specialized medical services, and provide on-ground medical personnel.

- **International Committee of the Red Cross and Red Crescent (ICRC)**

- **Role:** Support hospitals and clinics, especially in conflict zones, provide medical supplies, and train local medical personnel.

- **Local NGOs**

- Provide insights into local needs, support in community mobilization, help in the distribution of supplies, and act as liaisons between international organizations and local communities.

- **Government and Health Ministry**

- Coordinate efforts, provide security and logistical support, offer local resources, and ensure the alignment of efforts with national health policies.





- **Neighboring Countries**

- Provide refuge for displaced populations, offer medical aid and personnel, and collaborate on cross-border health initiatives

- **International Donors and Philanthropists**

- Fund initiatives, provide resources, and support advocacy campaigns.

- **Academic Institutions:**

- Offer expertise in health research, monitor and evaluate programs, and provide training and capacity-building initiatives.

- **Private Sector (Pharmaceutical companies,)**

- Donate or provide medical supplies at subsidized rates, offer expertise in medical technology.

- **Media and Influencers**

- Raise awareness about the healthcare crisis, mobilize support, and amplify the initiatives and progress made by the involved organizations



The University of Bergen and other Norwegian Universities, given their long-standing collaboration with Sudanese academic institutions



Bergen-Khartoum Legends 2003-2023



- Abdelgafar
- Mahmoud Salih
- FadwaTaha
- Anwar A.Magid
- Munzool Asal
- A.Albatahni
- Kamal Mustafa
- Howeida Faisal

- Sigmond Gronmo
- Rex O'Fahey
- Rune Nelson
- Gunnar Sorbo
- Leif Menger
- Ann Christin Jahanssen
- Margrethe Sovik
- CMI

Possible Assistance

Sudan-Norway Academic Cooperation (SNAC)



Clusters



Climate Change and food security
Gender, peace and security
Migration
Peace, democracy and youth

Knowledge Workshops



Offer knowledge transfer through workshops and training for Sudanese health workers

Tailored Health Policies



Collaborate on crafting health policies tailored for post-war recovery

Joining Research Activities



Initiate joint research to understand war impacts on health and devise interventions

Mental Health Programs



Introduce mental health programs addressing war traumas

Infrastructure & Quality Care



Strengthen Sudanese health institutions in infrastructure, research, and care quality

Cultural Exchange



Promote cultural exchanges to ensure culturally sensitive healthcare

THANK YOU

