Portfolio overview Sida's support to UNFPA programmes 2010*

In 2010, Sida contributed to 10 projects and programmes, co-financed with United Nations Population Fund's (UNFPA), to a total amount of MSEK 110 (disbursed). This was considerably higher than in the previous three years. Sida contributes to the work of UNFPA in the area of sexual and reproductive health and rights, including gender-based violence. Sweden's core support disbursed by the MFA in 2010 was MSEK 445, which together with Sida's disbursements makes Sweden one of the largest donors to UNFPA.

Contributions from Sida in support of UNFPA's programmes are often entitled "multibi" (multi-bilateral aid). These should be distinguished from non-earmarked or core contributions to the regular budget of multilateral institutions, which are called "multilateral aid". The latter type of support is disbursed by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs or another ministry, and only in exceptional cases by Sida.

There is a trend towards fewer and bigger contributions. The number of Sida contributions in 2010 was 10 and the total amount disbursed was MSEK 110 (Table 1).

Sida's support to UNFPA by Region

Out of the multi-bi support contributed by Sida, Africa is the region that receives most support and the share has increased. In 2010 Africa received 34% of total contributions. Latin America, particularly Guatemala, is the second-largest recipient. The reason why Asia with its huge populations has received hardly any multi-bi contribution in the past three years relates to the fact that Sweden only has health sector support in one country office in Bangladesh.

Table 1: Sida annual disbursements 2005–2010								
Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010		
No. of contributions	12	12	19	12	15	10		
Total amount (MSEK)	81.4	42.7	51.8	36.6	82.5	110.0		

Table 2: Sida annual per year)	disbursement	0 by region	gion (percentage of total amount			
Region/year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Africa	38	49	62	70	53	34
Latin America	4	13	12	15	14	11
Asia	4	6	0	0	1	0
Europe	0	9	5	5	0	8
Global	54	23	21	10	32	57
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

^{*} The statistics refers to all contributions up until 31 dec 2010. Returning funds have been excluded.

Mandate and strategic priorities

As the population agency of the United Nations, UNFPA promotes the right of every woman, man and child to enjoy a life of health and equal opportunity. UNFPA supports countries in using population data for policies and programmes to reduce poverty and to ensure that every pregnancy is wanted, every birth is safe, every young person is free of HIV/AIDS, and every girl and woman is treated with dignity and respect.

UNFPA is guided by the Programme of Action adopted at the 1994 International Conference on Population and

Development (ICPD) in Cairo. The Strategic Plan for 2008–2011 sets the framework for UNFPA support to programme countries to achieve their nationally-owned development objectives in three interrelated areas: (1) population and development, (2) reproductive health and rights, and (3) gender equality. UNFPA focuses on supporting national ownership, national leadership and capacity development, as well as advocacy and multi-sectorial partnership to promote the ICPD agenda.

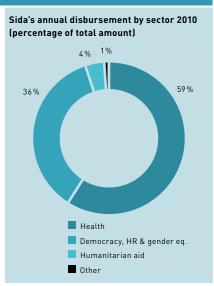
Table 3: Sida annual disbursements 2005-2010 by sector (percentage of total amount per year)
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Sida main sector	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Health	59	46	40	33	37	58
Democracy, Human Rights & Gender Equality	18	36	50	41	58	37
Humanitarian Aid	22	18	8	16	4	4
Other	0	0	2	10	1	1
Total	100	100	100	100	100	100

Sida's support to UNFPA by Sector

Support to global programmes has varied over the years. In 2008 it was down to 10 percent, compared to 54 percent in 2005, but increased in 2010 to 47 percent. Support to the Maternal Health Thematic Fund is the single Programme that received the most support. Health as a general statistical component relates to all health interventions including Sexual and reproductive Health (SRHR) and HIV/Aids. Health has been the predominant sector over the period as a whole, and the health sector received 58 % of the total contribution to UNFPA in 2010. Democracy, Human rights & Gender Equality decreased to 37 % in 2010 (Table 3). Humanitarian assistance is the third-largest sector, and includes support to UNFPA in cases of emergency response in a particular country.

A small percentage of disbursement each year is classified as "Other" sector, which includes inter alia the financing of two Swedish Junior Professional Officers (JPOs). In 2010, there were two Swedish funded JPOs in UNFPA. These are JPO midwives that in their prof. capacity contributes substantially to the SRHR component.



The aim of the JPO programme is to increase the number of qualified Swedish staff at multilateral organisations in areas of strategic relevance to Sweden. A second objective is to build a welltrained Swedish resource base for international development cooperation.

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