

# ANNUAL REPORT 2022



Association des Pères Jésuites du Burundi  
**SERVICE YEZU MWIZA**

"Pour un peuple qui veut vivre"

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# Abbreviations

IGA	: Income Generating Activities
AJAN	: African Jesuit AIDS Network
ARV	: Antiretroviral
CHW	: Community Health Worker
CAM	: Health Insurance Card
CDS	: Health Center
COSA	: Health Committee
BRC	: Burundi Red Cross
CPN :	: Prenatal Consultations
CV :	: Viral Load
DCE	: Municipal Director of Education
FHI	: Family Health International
FOSA	: Health training
GASC	: Group of Community Health Agents
GIZ	: Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit GmbH
GSC	: Community Support Group
HTA	: Arterial hypertension
IEC	: Information, Education, Communication
INH	: Isoniazid
INSP	: National Institute of Public Health
STI	: Sexually Transmitted Infection
JMLS	: World AIDS Day
MSPLS	: Ministry of Public Health and the Fight against AIDS

# Abbreviations

OVC	Orphans and other Vulnerable Children
WHO	World Health Organization
PCR	Polymerase Chain Reaction
PEC	Support
EPI	Expanded Vaccination Program
FP	Family planning
PLHIV	Person living with HIV
PNILT	Integrated National Leprosy and Tuberculosis Program
PNLS	National Program for the Fight against AIDS
PNSR	National Reproductive Health Program
PODI	Community Distribution Point for ARV drugs
PrEp	Pre-exposure prophylaxis
PS	Sex Professional
PMTCT	Prevention of HIV Transmission from Mother to Child
RAFG	Reaching an AIDS-Free Generation
GBV	Gender-Based Violence
HIV/AIDS	AIDS Human Immunodeficiency Virus
VSLA	Village Savings And Loans Association
SDSR	Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights
RH	Reproductive Health
SYM	Service Yezu Mwiza
ART	Anti-Retroviral Treatment
TB	Tuberculosis

# EDITORIAL

**P**romoting integral health with a preferential option for the neediest is the roadmap that inspired SYM's actions this year and this is under three priority areas, namely: "prevention to contribute to the reduction of cases of new infections HIV/STI/TB, medical and psychosocial care to support patients to adhere to treatment and live positively with the pathology, promotion of socio-economic empowerment in communities, by encouraging vulnerable women and former lepers to initiate income-generating activities in order to raise their standard of living".

To achieve this, SYM did not work alone, there was the involvement of several stakeholders, starting with the beneficiaries themselves, civil society organizations involved in the fight against HIV/STI /HV, the government of Burundi through the MSPLS, the African Jesuit Network, ... all working for a more equitable Society and a Faith that Promotes Justice.



**Fr. Desire YAMUREMYE, S.J.**

**T**hanks to the support of benefactors, the year 2022 has allowed us to achieve so much. The school kits distributed enabled 843 OVC who had dropped out to return to school. 621 leprosy patients monitored and grouped into 25 associations have rediscovered the joy of living thanks to IGAs initiated by SYM. HIV screening targeted 428 people, of which 44 tested HIV+, that is, 10.2% seroprevalence, which shows the level at which the first objective of 95% was achieved. All the 44 HIV+ NCs put on ARV were also put on INH to prevent them from TB knowing that the two pathologies live in symbiosis.

The coverage of VL tests and the maintenance of a sustained suppression have increased: of 1016 results received, 974 are with a VL suppressed, that is, 95.86%. For the final status of 28 exposed children, they all came out of PMTCT free from HIV. The visit of the First lady to SYM, Her Excellency Angéline NDAYISHIMIYE, was a sign that confirmed the recognition and support of the Government for the interventions of the Yezu Mwiza Service.

F.r Desire YAMUREMYE, Sj.  
Executive Director, SYM



Through this annual report, we contemplate the dynamics and the innovative spirit which have marked the activities of Service Yezu Mwiza.



# Prevention

To successfully promote the integral health of the population, SYM has relied on the community through the strategy of pair education, Community networks with the GIZ project, sex workers pairs with the PACTE-VIH/TB project, pillars and young volunteers with the CARE project, joint awareness-raising committees with Action Damien, community relays with the RAFG project, members of health clubs with the AJAN project. The implementation of these projects made it possible to mobilize the populations through awareness-raising actions for a change in behavior.

# GIZ Project



From November 2021 until October 2022, SYM implemented a project called "Support for the promotion of Sexual and Reproductive Health to Adolescents and Young People through the 10 socio-community networks" in the Muramvya Province.

With this project, we have managed to initiate 71 groups of single mothers. Besides, 5,484 young people, including 3,437 boys and 2,065 girls, have been trained on the various themes of SRH, counselling and the testimonial approach.

It is also a project aimed at involving the community in the accompaniment of young people. In all the CDS, we now have 317 committee members and animators, including 8 representatives of the Communal Directors of Education, 9 representatives of the communal administration, 10 of the Health Committee and 10 of the group of community health workers.



# TESTIMONY

The GIZ project, I believe is a project that has contributed a lot to the accompaniment of young people. In the awareness-raising workshops on SRH, the facilitators as well as the presidents of the networks play an important role in raising awareness and educating young people in and out of school to develop and adopt responsible behaviours. Through monthly meetings, young people acquire sufficient knowledge about SRHAY.

In addition, it is a project that did not leave out the Batwa sites. Through awareness-raising activities, the Batwa find the opportunity to discuss SRH with experts in the field. And I think a big step has been made in the Batwa sites because the knowledge acquired in SRH, and family planning are beginning to manifest in their communities. For example, the birth rate, as reported by local authorities, has settled down and children are now being sent to school. I think this will be a project that will have a long-term impact because the awareness workshops, the young people of Muramvya and the Batwa have benefited from, will not only benefit this province but also the whole country in general.

**By Fleury NDUWAYO, SJ**  
**The coordinator of programs and projects in SYM**



# Testimonies



Our community is today very grateful for the SDSR project implemented by Service Yezu Mwiza in collaboration with GIZ. Thanks to the lessons, workshops we attend, and mass awareness, we go to the health facilities to learn more about the spacing of pregnancies and everything related to sexual and reproductive health. Our children are healthy because we give them enough time for breastfeeding, something that was not well observed before.

**Emelyne Niyonsaba from Rutegama batwa site**



“As a young girl still in school, the information on SRH through the SDSR project implemented by the Yezu Mwiza service in collaboration with GIZ/Santé was very useful to me. Today I am aware of the behaviour I should adopt in front of those who come to appease us, to induce us into juvenile delinquency which can prevent me from completing my studies and having a bright future. I have also acquired sufficient knowledge to advise my classmates or other young people in my community.

**AKIMANA Ghyslaine, young girl from the Muramvya network**





# PACTE-VIH/TB

**P**ACTE-HIV/TB is a financing agreement between SYM and the Burundi Red Cross to accelerate the control of the transmission of HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis epidemics in four provinces, namely: Rumonge, Makamba, Gitega, and Muyinga. With this project, the SYM supervises 136 educator peers of sex workers who, in turn, will educate their peers in hot areas.

Throughout the year 2022, the educator peers of sex workers raised awareness, in four provinces of intervention of this project, to 29329 sex workers and their clients to fight against HIV and other sexually transmitted diseases. 17,297 eventually presented themselves to screening services for voluntary HIV testing. Among those who went for screening services, 191 tested positive to HIV. This implies a seropositivity rate of 1.1%. All of these cases were put on ARV treatment in the local structures of their choice.





# CARE

The CARE project named “TUBAKARORERO which means LET'S BE THE MODELS” focuses on promoting the empowerment of women and young people, especially young girls, through households, VSLA savings and credit groups, G50 groups and the revitalization of youth spaces and their sustainable management. It is also a project that aims at strengthening information and education in life skills for large-scale behavior change.

Throughout 2022, the awareness-raising on SRHR/FP and the fight against HIV that takes place on playgrounds and in VSLA has touched 15,771 young people among which were 5,343 boys and 10,428 girls.

To promote community dialogues on SRHR/FP and the fight against SGBV between different generations (adults and young people), dialogues, debates, and awareness-raising on SRHR/FP were organized and reached 9,787 young people, including 5,013 boys and 4774 girls. A series of VSLA assessment activities were organized in all provinces. 3056 VSLAs were assessed including 1184 in Bujumbura province, 858 in Cibitoke province, and 1014 in Kirundo province. The same activity was carried out to assess the state of play of the 22 youth centres in the three provinces of intervention, namely Bujumbura, Cibitoke and Kirundo.

Additionally, 4392 young people were trained in entrepreneurship and among 240 who have participated in capacity-building workshops on entrepreneurship, 157 were able to present their business plans.





# Testimonies



**A**s a project manager of Tubakarorero project, I am proud to see that the youth centres that were not functional before the start of this project are now functional and are increasingly attractive to young people who receive various information on SRHR/FP, the fight against SGBV, and entrepreneurship.

**Lambert HAKUZIYAREMYE**

**T**he information on SDSR and entrepreneurship provided by the Young Volunteers really helped me to change my behavior. Before, I was a drunkard woman till it started creating conflict with my husband. As I was unable to follow the education of my children, the community called me an irresponsible woman. Thanks to the information received at the youth center on SDSR, the fight against SGBV, I changed and my husband withdrew his divorce complaints. I am now a member of a solidarity group called “KEREBUKA MUKENYEZI” which means be a sharp woman. After saving, I took out a loan of 60,000 Burundian Francs and bought a goat which currently gives me manure to fertilize my fields. We now broadcast on the same waves with my husband and the entourage. Long live the “TUBAKARORERO” project.

**MIBURO Genevieve**  
**Kirundo Province**



# J.M UK

**W**ith funding from JM/UK, SYM has implemented a project that aimed at improving care and support for 3,050 orphans and other vulnerable children in Bujumbura City. It is within this framework of support and assistance to OVSEs that, throughout the year 2022, SYM was able to achieve an achievement rate of 51.13% in the payment of school fees.

To children from the most vulnerable families, SYM distributed 843 school kits made up of notebooks, pens, uniforms, and math boxes. School fees were provided to the poorest students. More than 215 students who had dropped out of school due to a lack of school materials will return to school.



# ACTION DAMIEN PROJECT



In collaboration with the NGO Action Damien, SYM is implementing a project for the “Socio-economic reintegration of people affected by leprosy in leprosy-endemic regions in Burundi”. This project aims at reducing the stigmatization and discrimination of people affected by leprosy through income-generating activities (IGA), awareness-raising and the involvement of members of joint awareness-raising committees in the 8 provinces of the country namely: Cibitoke, Bururi, Bubanza, Rumonge, Makamba, Ruyigi, Cankuzo, Rutana.

With this project, 25 associations of patients and former leprosy patients carry out IGAs in 8 Provinces of intervention. The majority does agriculture and raising small livestock. These IGAs give them purchasing power and enable them to deal with self-stigma.





Throughout the year 2022, this project has enabled 621 lepers to regain dignity in their living environments and 25 associations have been created.

To build the capacities of 621 members from 25 associations in IGAs, SYM has organized training under the themes: - organizational situation of projects, micro-projects and their technical management, the notion of SILC, and the notion of community solidarity chain.

To help children from the families of patients affected by leprosy, school kits have been distributed. Consequently, 1,045 school children benefited from notebooks, pens, and uniforms at the rate of two notebooks for each student in the first and second year, three notebooks for those in the third and four notebooks for those in the fourth, fifth and sixth. They have all received uniforms and pens.



# Testimonies



"Every parent's dream is to see all their children go to school to have a bright future. Seeing the children of vulnerable people like us, going to school with the complete school kit like the others of our neighbours, is a pride for us. We, therefore, thank Service Yezu Mwiza in collaboration with Action Damien and the PNILT, for having made our dream become true".

**Mrs. Diane, Mudende  
Rumonge province.**



SYM supports 621 patients affected by leprosy. Before the project starts, they were marginalized and isolated. Currently, they are comfortable in their living environments. Thanks to this project, they feel proud and happy to exercise their rights like other citizens.

**Edmond NDUWIMANA  
project manager of Action Damien project**

# AJAN PROJECT

To create a happy generation and promote the transmission of messages on SRH, the SYM in collaboration with the African Jesuit network against HIV/ AIDS (AJAN), implemented a project which aimed at sensitizing young people on sexual health and reproductive. 20 schools in the town hall of Bujumbura have been targeted.

Throughout 2022, awareness-raising activities were organized in the 20 target schools. 1,479 high school children were sensitized through health clubs. To involve young people more, SYM also organized formative supervision in health clubs to give club leaders time to discuss topics related to SRH. In collaboration with their supervisors and the SYM team, the students who had participated in the training had the opportunity to present topics of their choice related to SRH, and drug use.





# Testimonies



My name is Ineza Belly Alaintha, student at Lycée du Saint Esprit Bujumbura. I am a member of a health club. I participated in training and competition activities organized by Service Yezu Mwiza. As far as I am concerned, the project was so important and useful for us young people, because we learned about sexual and reproductive health, gender-based violence and drug use. We have discovered the mechanisms that can allow us to adapt and cope with the challenges we may encounter in life. Personally, I have learned, for example, to choose good friends with whom I have to work. It's because I understood that friends are part of who you ultimately become and the choice you make in life. A bad choice always has an impact on the future. Thus, I would like to urge Yezu Mwiza to organize such activities in other schools to save more lives and protect the future of many young people.

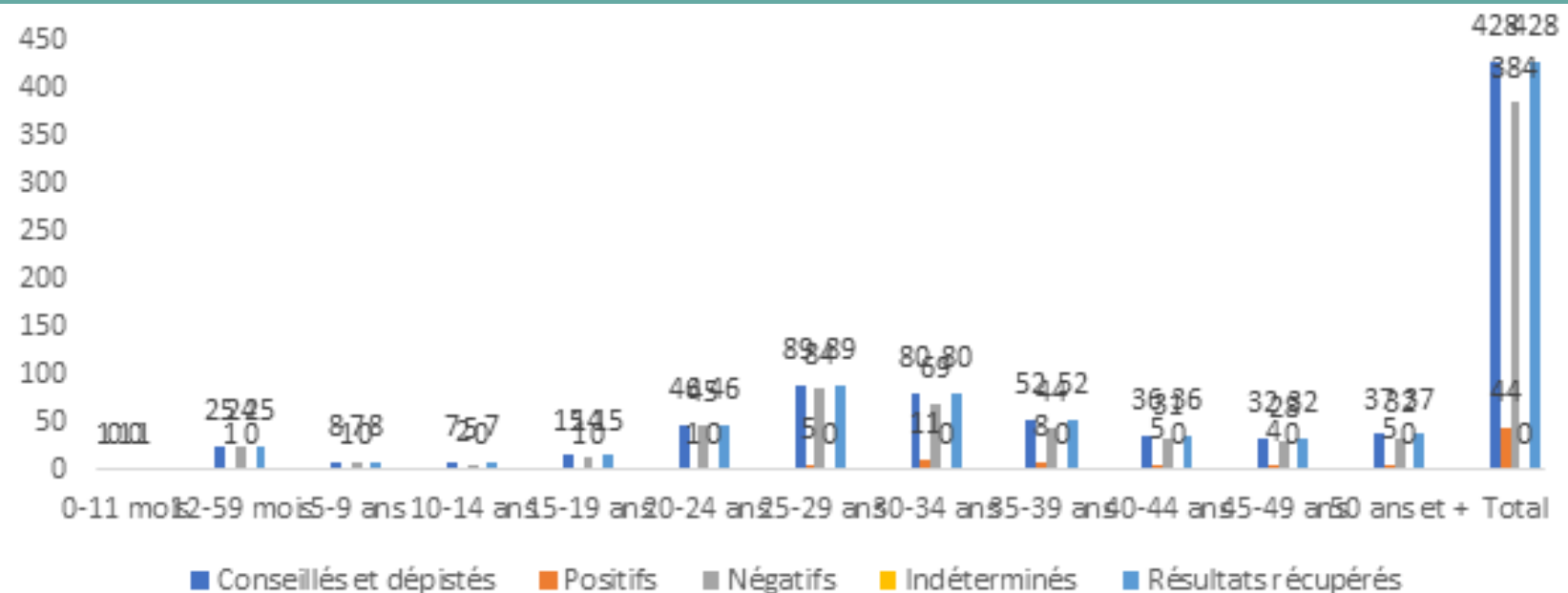


“Apart from acquiring new knowledge during the training, this project helped me to develop responsible behaviour and not to be addicted to drugs. I also learned that I have to make good choices when making friends. It's also a project that helped me to join the health club and what I learned from there I try to share with others to create a positive impact on the whole world, especially to impact out-of-school youth and others we meet in many other activities such as sports, choirs, etc”.

RUKANURA GUY Christ Paulin, student at Lycée du Saint Esprit

# **MEDICAL CARE SERVICE**





In the medical care service, 428 cases of HIV screening were tested, including 44 HIV+, representing a seroprevalence of 10.2%, far higher than the national seroprevalence. This was made possible using a risk assessment tool, the index-testing strategy, and the use of self-tests. All 44 HIV+ cases were put on ARV treatment.

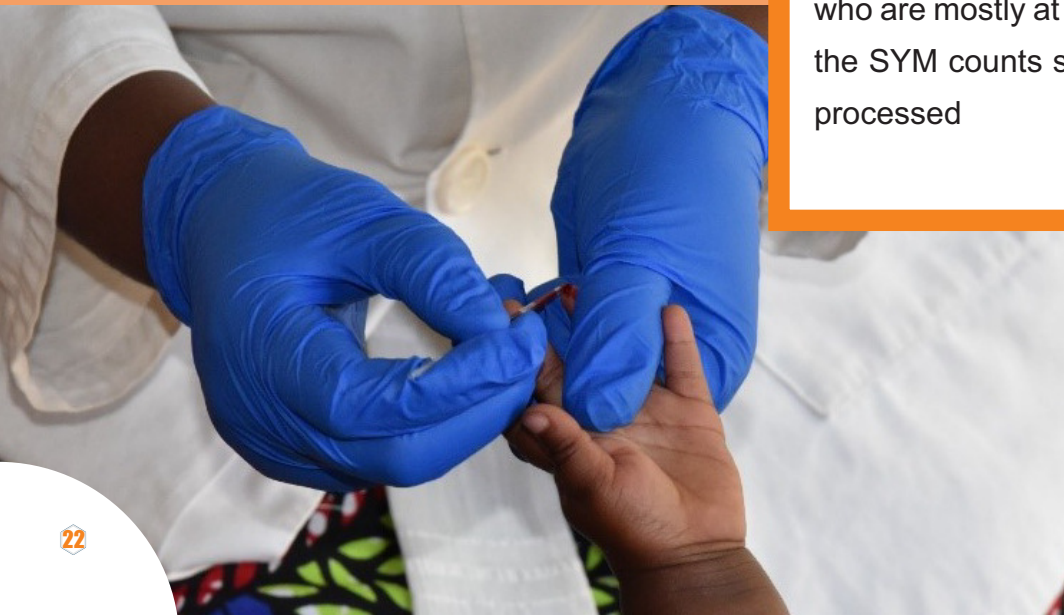
Out of 1019 viral load samples taken, 1016 results were given to the beneficiaries, of which 974 were undetectable. This means 95.86% undetectable.

# MEDICAL CARE IN ROYACKERS' CLINIC

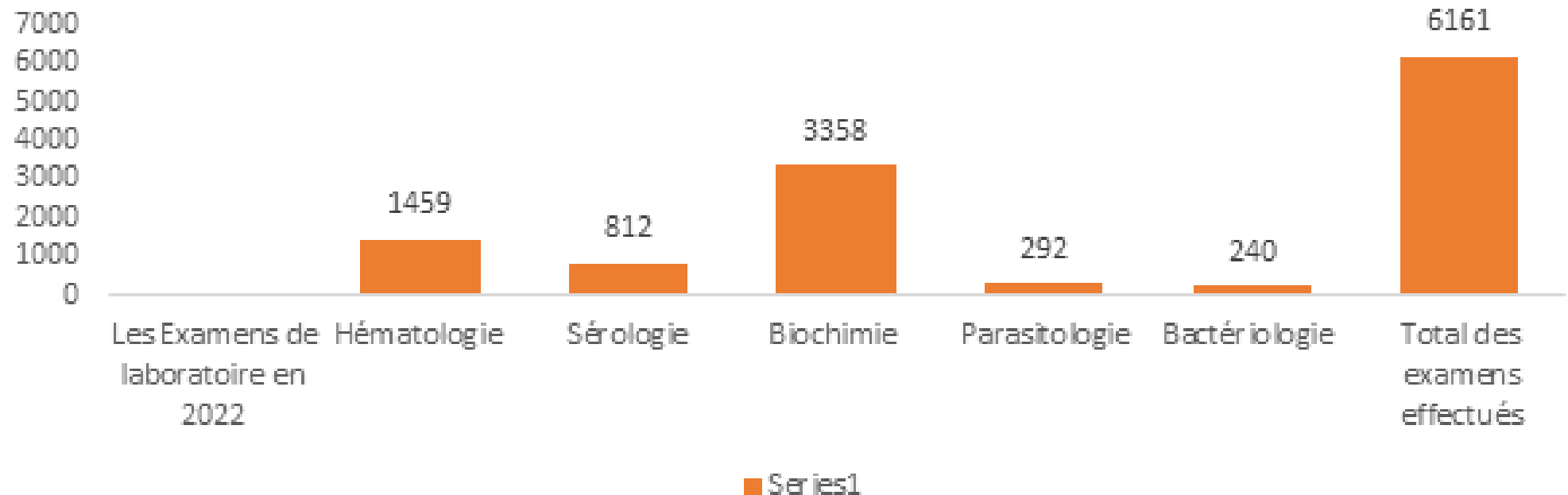


In its clinic, the SYM recorded 2088 curative consultations of 675 men and 1413 women. Of these, 276 CPNs were noted, including 18 for PLHIV followed up at SYM. The prevention service received 57 children for vaccination. 78 women and 73 children were followed in PMTCT. All 29 children released from PMTCT are HIV-free.

The pre-exposure prophylaxis aims at reducing the rate of transmission for people who are mostly at risk of HIV infection, particularly in serodiscordant couples where the SYM counts sixty cases. Among the 5 cases received, 4 cases are still being processed



For the laboratory service, we have sampled 6,937 tests



125 cases of STIs were diagnosed and treated, including their partners with the same pathology.

With the RAFG Project, voluntary HIV testing has been supported by index-testing, targeted testing and the use of self-testing. Thanks to the same project, 20 PODIs (community ARV distribution points) have been set up, relieving congestion in the mobile clinic to ensure easy, rapid, and continuous access to ARV drugs. Strengthening adherence brought 32 cases of viral loads back to undetectable. The 8 cases of TB/HIV co-infection were diagnosed and treated.

# PSYCHOSOCIAL CARE SERVICE

**S**YM provided 51 therapeutic education sessions reaching 1,285 beneficiaries, 16 sessions to strengthen treatment compliance for 44 beneficiaries with a detectable viral load, 14 nutritional education sessions for 316 beneficiaries including women on PMTCT, guardian families of OVC, vulnerable widowed women, bedridden beneficiaries from the most distant communes.

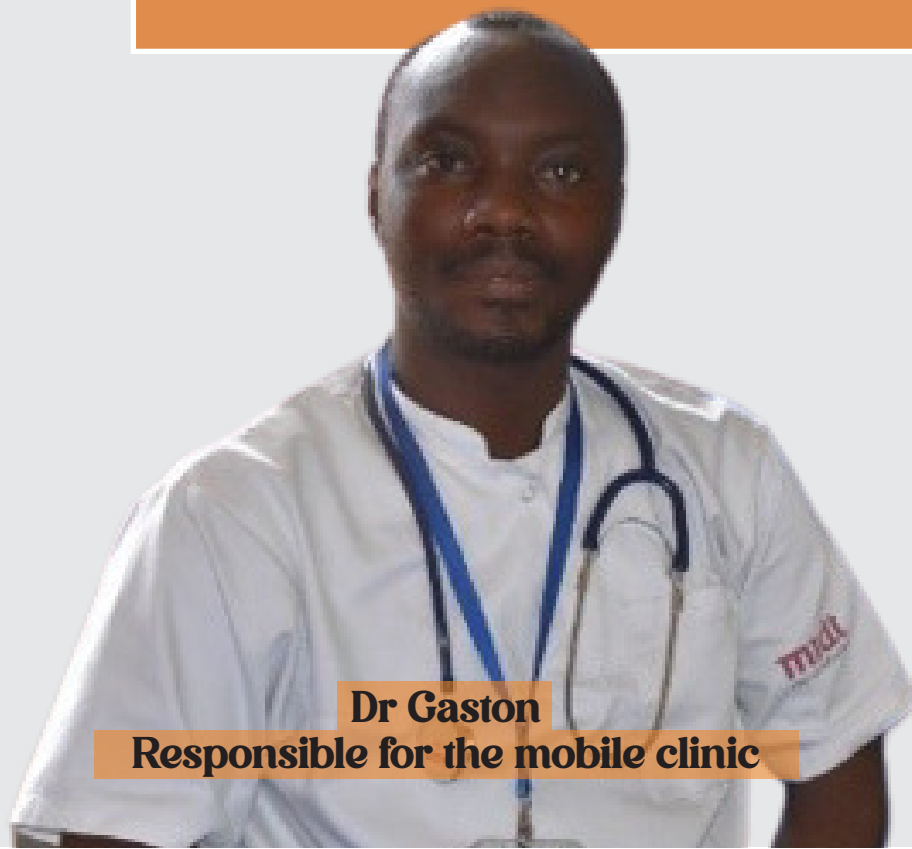
41 home and hospital visits were organized and reached 52 beneficiaries. Home kits including soap and food were distributed to them to cover some of their basic needs. Malnutrition screening targeted 23 of the poorest beneficiaries who are supported by the CRB, a partner of SYM.

3990 beneficiaries participated in 326 health education sessions with the following themes: PEV, HIV-AIDS, STIs, viral hepatitis, circumcision, ARI, malaria, TB, nutrition, Health reproduction, hygiene, high blood pressure, other chronic diseases, and parental responsibility. These topics contributed to behavioural changes.



# MOBILE CLINIC: AN EFFICIENT STRATEGY FOR SYM

To provide quality to its beneficiaries, SYM has set up a mobile clinic strategy. A vehicle equipped to transport appropriate drugs and qualified personnel leaves the SYM headquarters two or three times a week to go to remote places in the province of Bujumbura to care for our beneficiaries residing there. With the mobile clinic, 192 raids were carried out during the year 2022, allowing the regular monitoring of more than 850 PLHIV enrolled in our active file and the maintenance of an undetectable viral load for more than 95% of this population. Thus, most of them are stable and can go about their daily self-development activities normally.



**Dr Gaston**  
Responsible for the mobile clinic

I am both satisfied and proud of our work at the mobile clinic. Every day we care for and provide relevant advice to our beneficiaries, which positively and considerably changes their lives. Despite significant distances travelled through streets in poor condition, we manage to make them happy; with them, we are a people who want to live”.

# SOCIO-ECONOMIC SUPPORT

## Nurem Project



Thanks to funding from the Jesuits of Nuremberg, SYM initiated the project of income-generating activities for vulnerable beneficiaries. Some of them are widows who have children to feed and educate. This IGA project operates in 15 SYM intervention sites respectively in 4 municipalities (KABEZI, KANYOSHA, MUTIMBUZI and NYABIRABA) in the province of BUJUMBURA. 110 groups of 3 to 4 people per group, that is, 380 beneficiaries are operational. IGAs in agriculture gardens, petty trading and rearing of small ruminants contribute to strengthening their standard of living.

Throughout the year 2022, SYM has organized IGA supervision activities in the 15 intervention sites. The purpose of these supervisions was to take stock of the progress of the income-generating activities, to collect the problems encountered in the implementation of the activities and to propose solutions, provide advice and encourage the beneficiaries to enable them to adopt a reassuring behavior and sustainability of the generative activities granted by the SYM.

“

I am satisfied to see that the vulnerable beneficiaries are now able to pay for their children's school fees, meet their basic needs, improve their healthy diet, and quit begging.

”

**Jeannine NDUWAYEZU,**  
**Nurem Project Manager**



# Challenges

- An increase in STI cases compared to 2021 (therefore 47 cases against 45 in 2021)
- We recorded 7 cases of TB co-infection.
- Fuel Shortage which affected the implementation of projects and the smooth running of the organization in general.



# Success

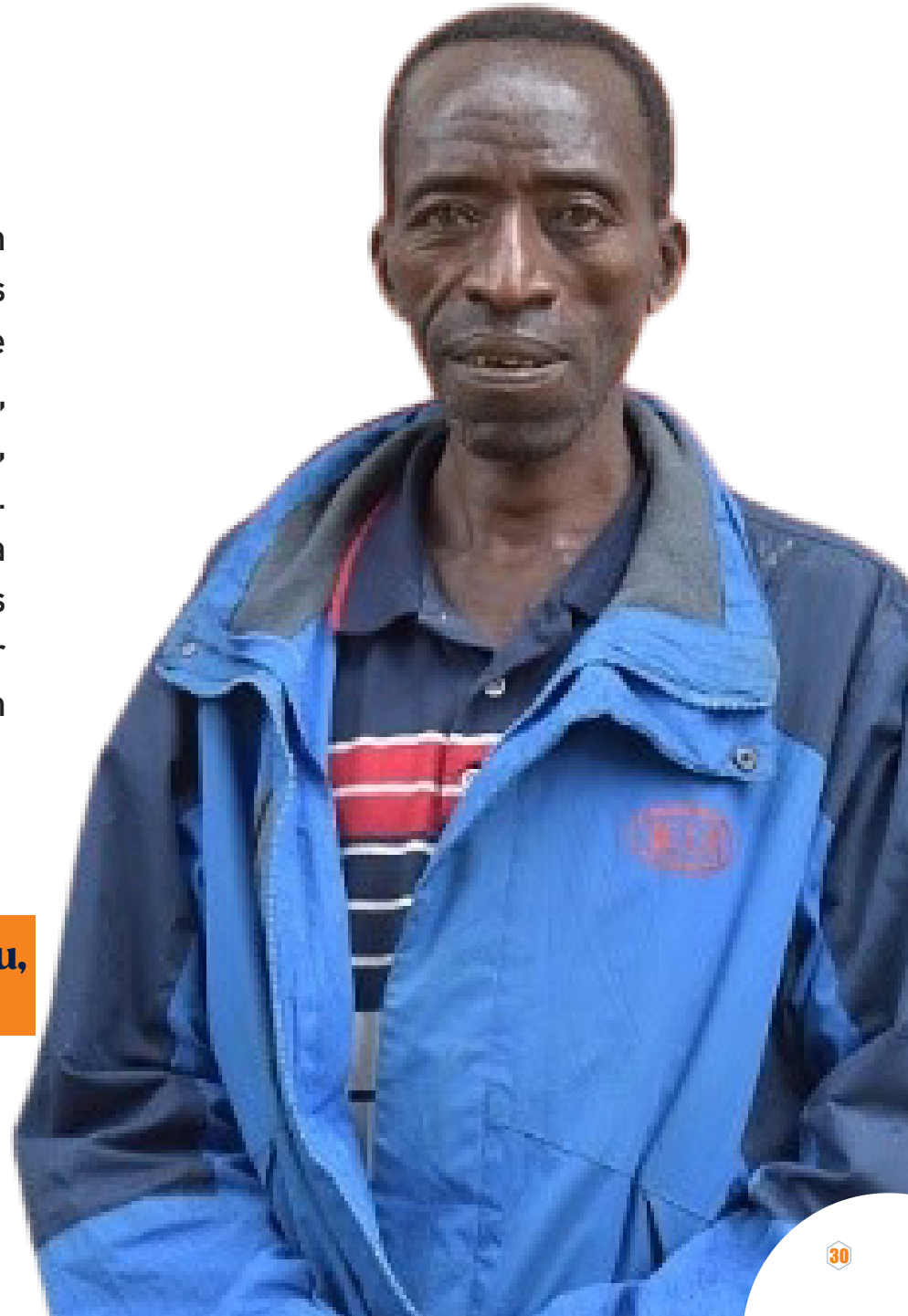
- Throughout the year 2022, the care of PLHIV has been very successful.
- The extension of HIV testing services targeted children, and women on PMTCT and key populations.
- Retention of SYM beneficiaries on ART has increased
- Coverage of viral load (VL) testing and maintenance of sustained VL suppression characterized SYM
- Improved supply chain, inventory, data management and reporting systems
- The financial and organizational capacity of SYM have made SYM a trusted NGO

The background features a white central area framed by abstract geometric shapes. In the top-left and bottom-left corners, there are orange triangles pointing towards the center. In the top-right and bottom-right corners, there are blue triangles pointing towards the center. The word "TESTIMONIES" is centered in the white area in a bold, orange, serif font.

# TESTIMONIES

I am happy with the services offered by Service Yezu Mwiza. Thanks to its mobile clinic strategy, we benefit from the entire support package in our community; whereas before we had to go to Bujumbura to get the medicines we needed. For example, SYM provides us with medicines, provides school kits for our children and most importantly, gave us capital to undertake income-generating activities. This allowed us to improve our daily lives by having a sufficient ratio, but also by providing for the multiple needs of our families. What I like most about SYM, is their multidisciplinary team which treats us with compassion and offers us quality services”.

**Evariste, Bénéficiaire from Mayuyu,  
commune MUKIKE**

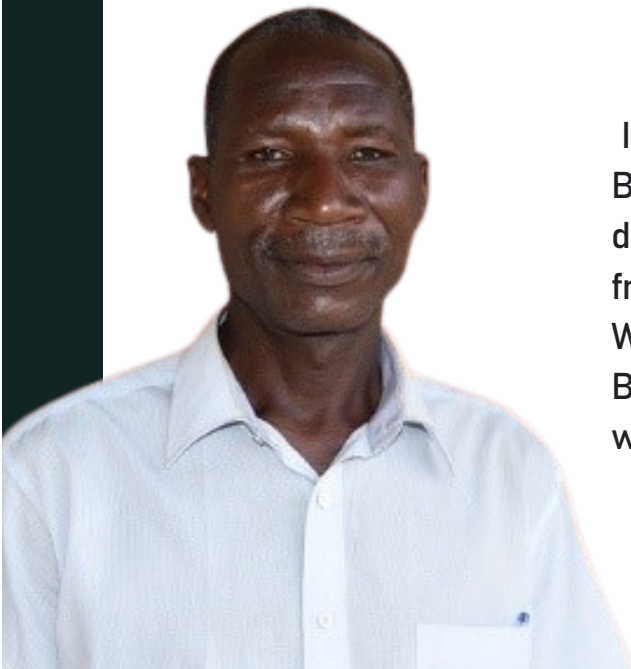




After testing my whole family, I, my husband, and the last of our five children we noticed we were all sick. We were afraid, and it was as if life was over. But with the advice and support of healthcare providers, we gradually learned to live positively with the disease. It was too difficult. The journey was long because we had to travel to Bujumbura to get our medicine. And if we don't have enough money to go there, we could wait until we have some and, in the meantime, the disease continued to weaken us. Today, Service Yezu Mwiza relieved us by reducing our journey thanks to its mobile clinic strategy. We have the whole service package at our fingertips and everyone is following the treatment properly. If it happens that one of the beneficiaries does not show up to take his medication for health reasons, the SYM team makes a home visit to inquire about his situation and also give him the medication. With the mobile clinic, we are more than satisfied.

**Anastasio, bénéficiaire du SYM à Matara**





I have been living with HIV for a really long time. Before the mobile clinic, I used to go to Bujumbura at SYM to take medication and do biological examinations because it was difficult to do these check-ups elsewhere. To go there was not an easy thing because, apart from spending money on travel, my days were wasted. I used to return home exhausted. With the SYM mobile clinic, we save time and money we should use for transport to Bujumbura, we use it to meet other family needs. Today, I consult the doctor if need be. And with the mobile clinic, I spend more time doing activities that develop me and my family.

**Salvator, bénéficiaire de Matara**

When I tested positive for HIV in 2013, I hardly accepted it. I thought that a person who has this disease only lives a few days, and I could not digest how I was going to die leaving my children so young. But gradually by following the health promotion education sessions, I learned that an HIV-positive person, when he correctly follows the advice of the health care providers, can live normally like any other person. Today, the therapeutic education sessions have been very useful to me, because I live positively with the disease, and I have an undetectable viral load.

**NKURUNZIZA Genetus, bénéficiaire du SYM**



# **REMARKABLE EVENTS IN 2022**



# Visit of the First Lady and President of the Umugiraneza Foundation



**O**n April 05, 2022, the First Lady of Burundi and President of the Good Action Foundation - UMUGIRANEZA, Her Excellency Angeline Ndayishimiye, visited Service Yezu Mwiza. In her speech, Her Excellency the First Lady Angeline Ndayishimiye, indicated that she came within the framework of the Good Action Foundation - UMUGIRANEZA, to support the good works of the Service Yezu Mwiza in favor of vulnerable PLHIV and especially in its contribution to support the Burundian government in the eradication of HIV. During this visit, the First Lady provided food and non-food aid for more than 400 vulnerable people living with HIV, cared for at Service Yezu Mwiza, with the aim of enabling them to better celebrate the Easter feast which was fast approaching.



## **A delegation from NGO Action Damien visits SYM**

As part of the partnership between Service Yezu Mwiza and the NGO Action Damien Burundi, in the fight against Leprosy and tuberculosis in Burundi, the outgoing Executive Director of SYM, Father Védaste NKESHIMANA, SJ received, on May 11, 2022, a visit of the delegation of the organization Action Damien, led by Dr Michel SAWADOGO, legal representative of Action Damien in Burundi. The latter indicated that this visit is part of the final evaluation of the five-year plan for the fight against leprosy and tuberculosis, implemented in Burundi by Action Damien Burundi, in collaboration with the National Program Integrated Leprosy and Tuberculosis (PNILT), for a period from 2017 to 2021.





## AJAN 20th Anniversary Celebration at Service Yezu Mwiza

**O**n the 5th of June 2022, the African Jesuit AIDS Network (AJAN) celebrated its 20th anniversary at Service Yezu Mwiza. In his words of welcome, the Regional Superior of the Rwanda-Burundi region Father, Fabien Gasigwa, SJ indicated that Service Yezu Mwiza has been the champion of the community approach to health through its mobile clinic strategy. "This celebration of 20 years is for us recognition for the relevance of our network despite the financial difficulties. HIV is still a reality, we will always support the efforts of AJAN, so that we can be more committed to promoting health for all in Africa. Particularly, we intend to promote within the Service Yezu Mwiza, accompany the young people through the promotion of social

entrepreneurship, to reduce the impact of poverty, the irresponsible behavior which spreads HIV and compromising the efforts of our countries against the spread of HIV/AIDS and other contagious diseases," he concluded.

On his turn, the Director of AJAN, the Reverend Father Ismaël Matambura, SJ, indicated that: "This 20-year anniversary is an opportunity to celebrate the achievements made together as a Network and the impact the action of AJAN had on lives of people and African society; share experiences that have worked to further inspire each other, but also assess our commitment and lay new foundations to move forward in deep waters taking into account the changing context of our work environment".





## **Mrs. Pascalia SERGON visits the mobile clinic in Gitaza**

Upon her arrival on the site on March 01, 2022, Ms. Pascalia was able to discuss with the medical team of the mobile clinic, where she was able to understand how the mobile clinic works, and the various advantages it offers to beneficiaries compared to surrounding health facilities.

Afterwards, the outgoing coordinator of SYM projects and programs, Alain Christy Ininahazwe, SJ invited him to make a home visit to see the beneficiaries that Service Yezu Mwiza accompanies through income-generating activities.

Mrs Pascalia was happy with the visit and testified: "When I spoke to the beneficiaries, I saw the joy and hope on their faces, and that's when I understood the impact of the activities of the SYM on the poorest people. In addition to clinical care, beneficiaries also have income-generating activities, initiated by SYM, which allow them to support themselves, and this is proof for us that these beneficiaries have something to boast about and of which SYM can be proud," she added.

# Celebration of World AIDS Day 2022 Edition



On 15 of December 2022, Service Yezu Mwiza celebrated World AIDS Day, Edition 2022 with beneficiaries and partners in the fight against this pandemic, under the theme "Let's work for equal access to quality HIV services and the opportunities offered by science". This celebration saw the participation of various high personalities namely: representatives of the administration, representatives of the Ministry of Public Health and the fight against AIDS, the beneficiaries as well as other representatives of the various partner organizations.



# THE WAY FOWARD

- For the fiscal year 2023, SYM will scale up differentiated care delivery models to continue facilitating easy and timely access to medications for PLHI.
- Continued promotion of community screening by involving community relays (indexed screening and use of self-testing).
- Community relays will also be called upon to encourage PLHIV on ARV treatment to request viral load testing during supply visits.
- Increase the number of clients in the ANC and vaccination services and discharge fully vaccinated children.
- Maximize TB prophylaxis among all PLHIV.



# APPRECIATION

**T**he SYM would first like to thank the Almighty for all the graces and gifts granted to serve the people of God. May he always deign to give us the strength, the courage, and the joy to be at the service of his people.

We would like to thank everyone who supported us morally, spiritually, financially. We thank the Government of Burundi through the Ministry of Public Health and the fight against AIDS through its various programs: the Ministry of National Solidarity, Social Affairs, and Human Rights and Gender. From the bottom of our heart, we thank AJAN; HUBEJE, the Global Fund through the CRB, CARE international; Segal Family Foundation; Gould Family Foundation; Jesuit Mission United Kingdom; Jesuit Weltweit Germany; GIZ; USAID through FHI; Action Damian; and so many other people and organizations. Your support and generosity mean a lot to us.

We would also like to thank the Society of Jesus, particularly the region of Rwanda-Burundi, whose apostolic priorities, in favor of the poor, the young and the environment, continue to play an important role in the activities of SYM. We thank the local Church of Burundi, with whom we share the values and the mission of being the salt and light of the world for justice, peace and reconciliation under the inspiration of Jesus Christ.

# APPENDIX

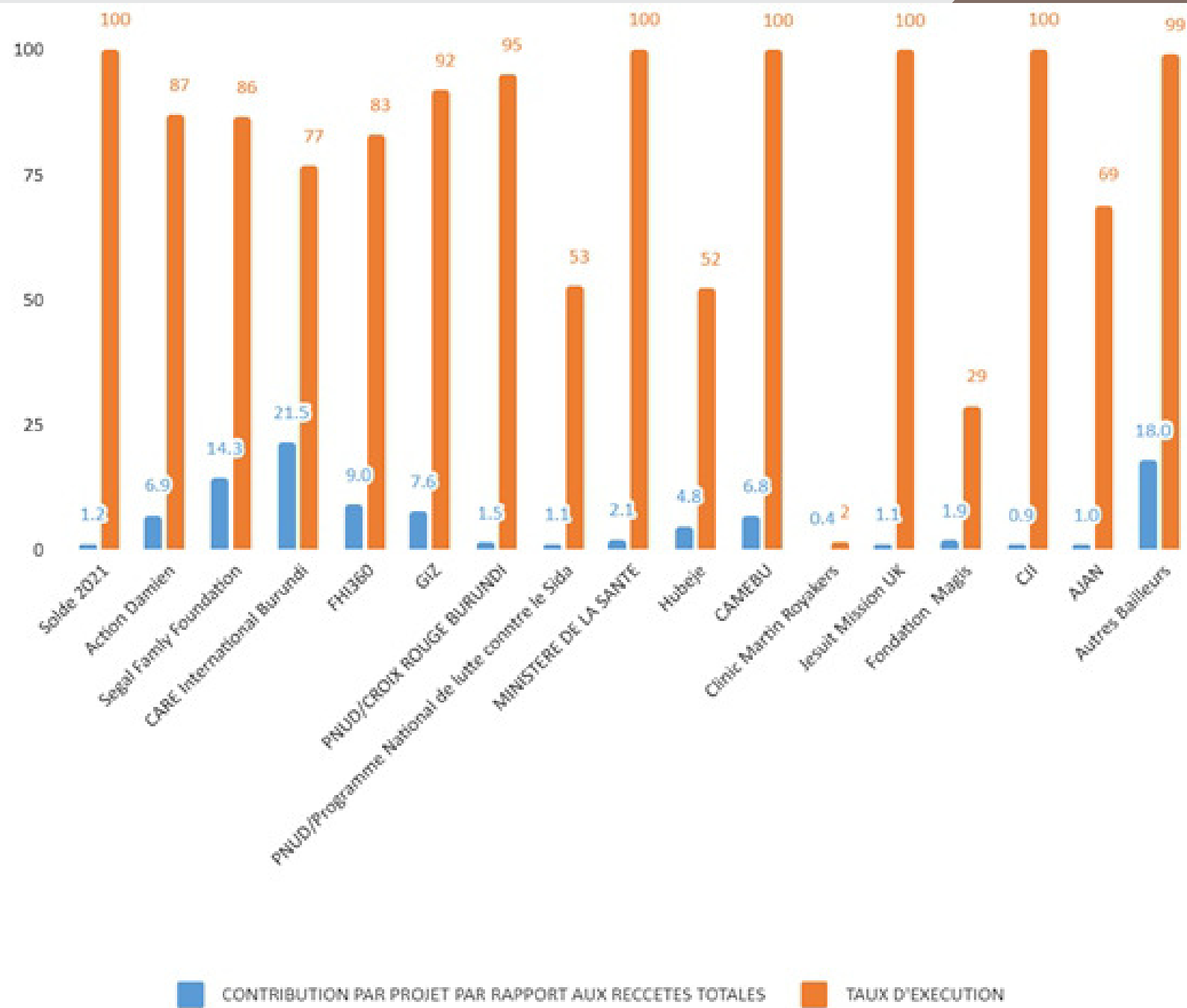
# OUR PARTNERS



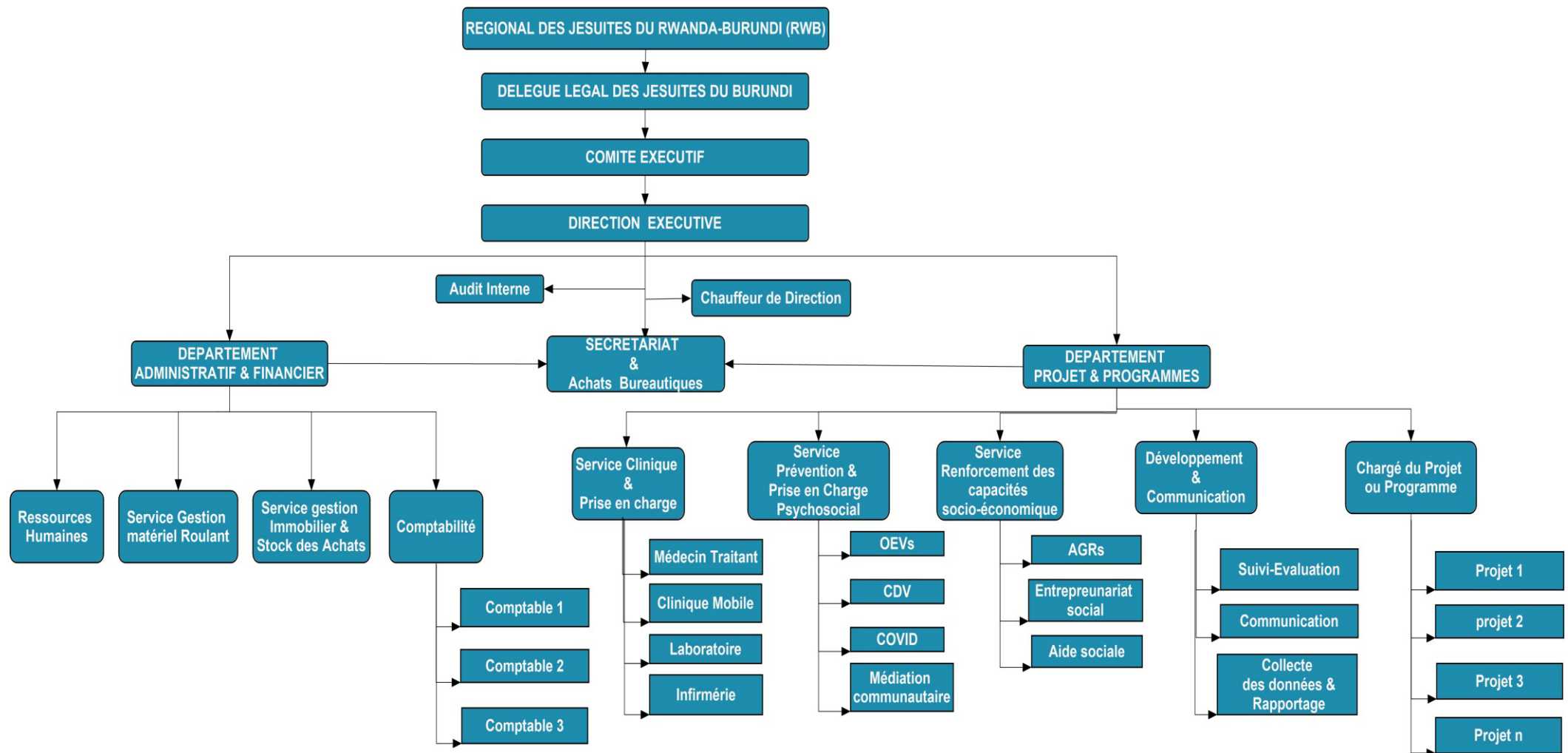
## Execution Rate of the Budget

SOURCE DE FINANCEMENT	CONTRIBUTION PAR PROJET PAR RAPPORT AU RECCETES TOTALES	TAUX D'EXECUTION
Solde 2021	1.2	100
Action Damien	6.9	87
Segal Famly Foundation	14.3	86
CARE International Burundi	21.5	77
FHI360	9.0	83
GIZ	7.6	92
PNUD/CROIX ROUGE BURU	1.5	95
PNUD/Programme National de lutte contre le Sida	1.1	53
MINISTERE DE LA SANTE	2.1	100
Hubeje	4.8	52
CAMEBU	6.8	100
Clinic Martin Royakers	0.4	2
Jesuit Mission UK	1.1	100
Fondation Magis	1.9	29
CJI	0.9	100
AJAN	1.0	69
Autres Bailleurs	18.0	99





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