

# Universal Health Coverage (UHC): Opportunities and Challenges in the Era of SDGs

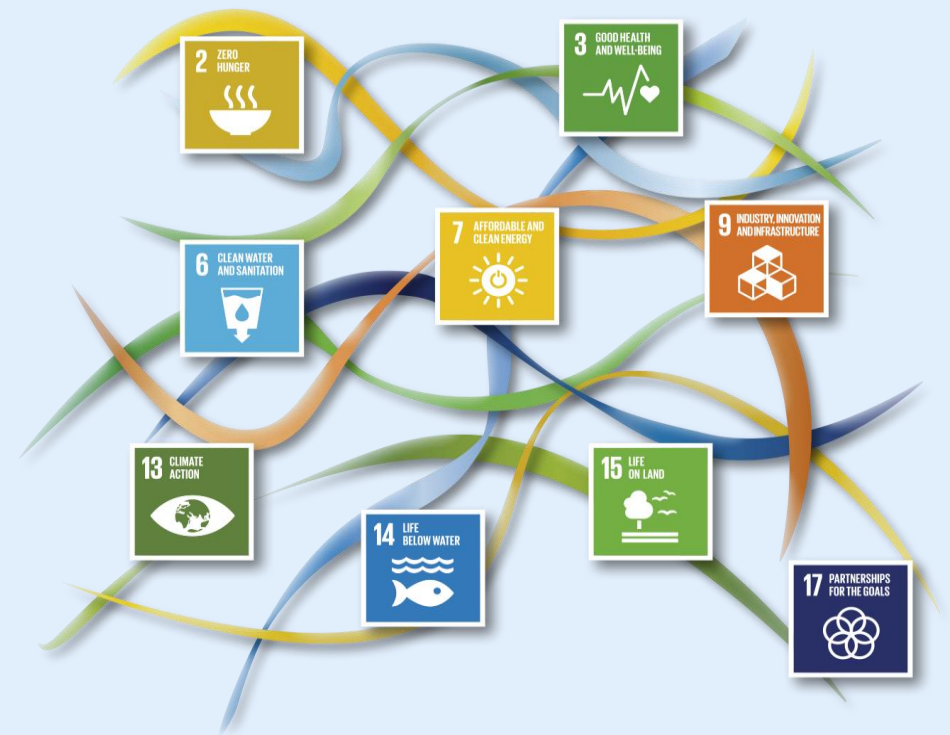
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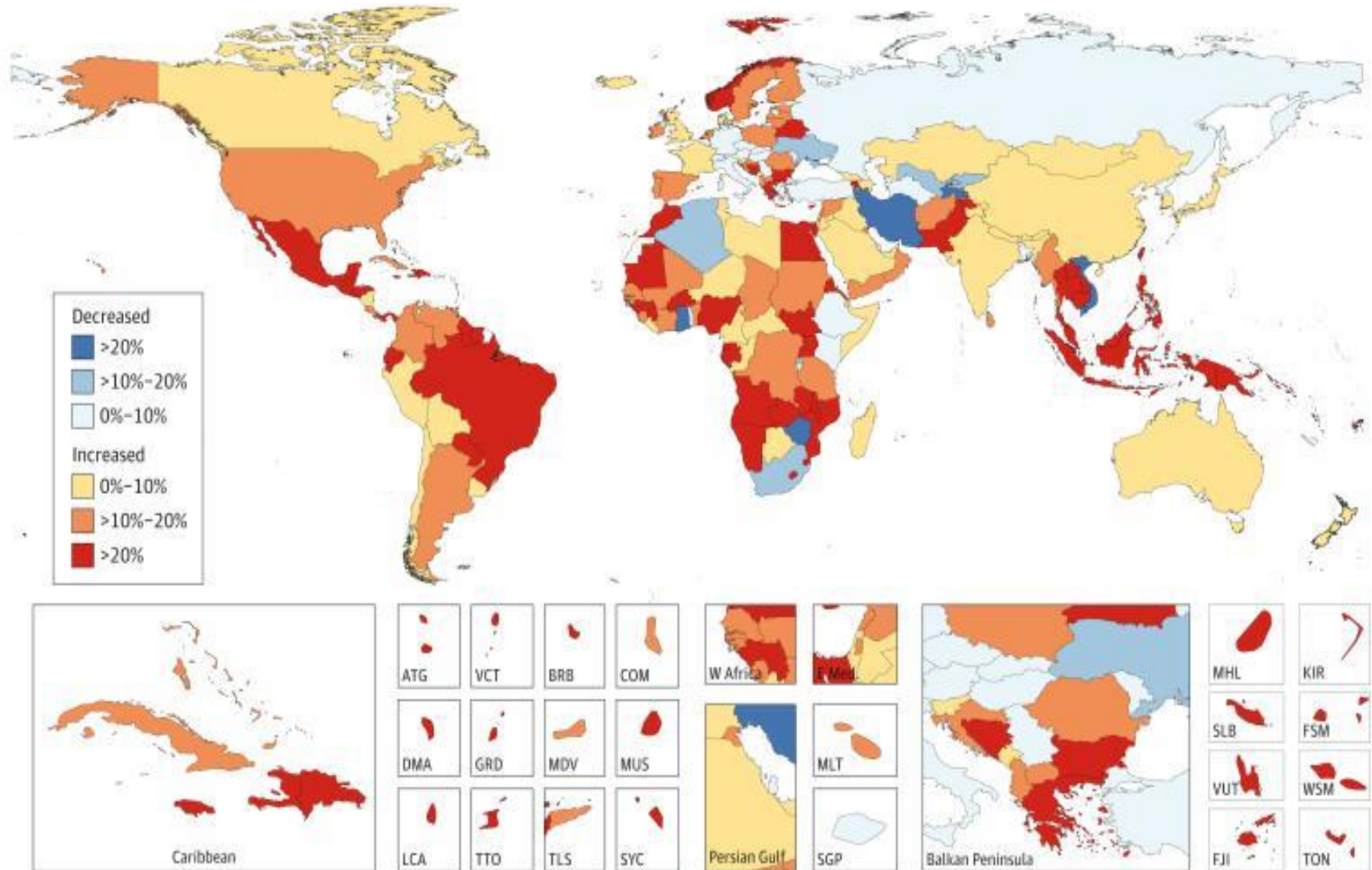
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# Relative changes in age-standardized incidence in both sexes for all cancers in 188 countries from 1990 to 2013



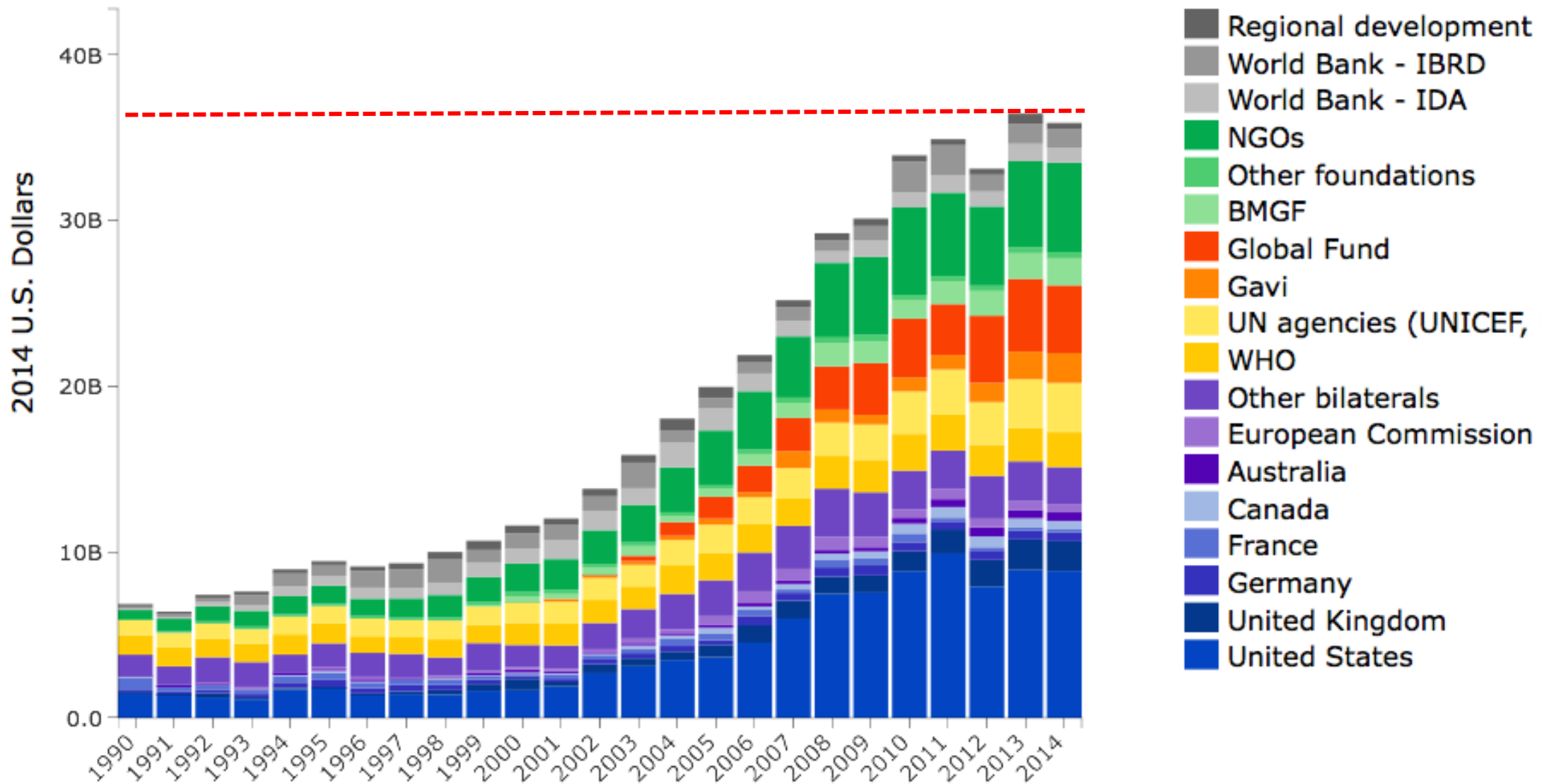
(Source: Globl Burden of Cancer Collaboration 2015)

# Global health at a crossroads

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1. Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) with an emphasis on universality, sustainability and cross-sector global partnerships.
2. From infectious diseases, and maternal and child health to include non-communicable diseases (NCDs) including cancers.
3. Beyond disease-specific programs to embrace health systems strengthening (HSS) and universal health coverage (UHC).
4. Common myths: The provision of NCD prevention, diagnosis and treatment (e.g., radiation medicine) is not feasible and too expensive in low-resource settings.

# Development assistance for health, 1990-2014



(Source: Dieleman JL, et al. 2015; IHME, 2015)

# Health sector resources (2014)

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- Gross world product (GWP): approx. US\$ 80 trillion
- Total health expenditure (THE): US\$ 8 trillion (10% of GWP)
- THE in developing countries: US\$ 800 billion (10% of THE)
- Development assistance for health: US\$ 36 billion

# Japan's commitment to universal health coverage (UHC)

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“We should now pursue universal health coverage (UHC) to solve existing global health challenges and to embark on the post-2015 development agenda.”

“As a responsible and mature nation, Japan is willing to contribute to resolving the challenges that countries have in common, drawing on its own experiences. Global health diplomacy is the very strategy that embodies our vision and aspiration.”

# G 7 Ise-Shima Summit, May 2016



# UHC in Africa (TICAD 6, August 27-28, 2016)

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## Partners Launch Framework to Accelerate Universal Health Coverage in Africa; World Bank and Global Fund Commit \$24 Billion

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***African Heads of State and Partners Mobilize around Plans for Universal Health Coverage to Achieve 2030 Sustainable Development Goals***

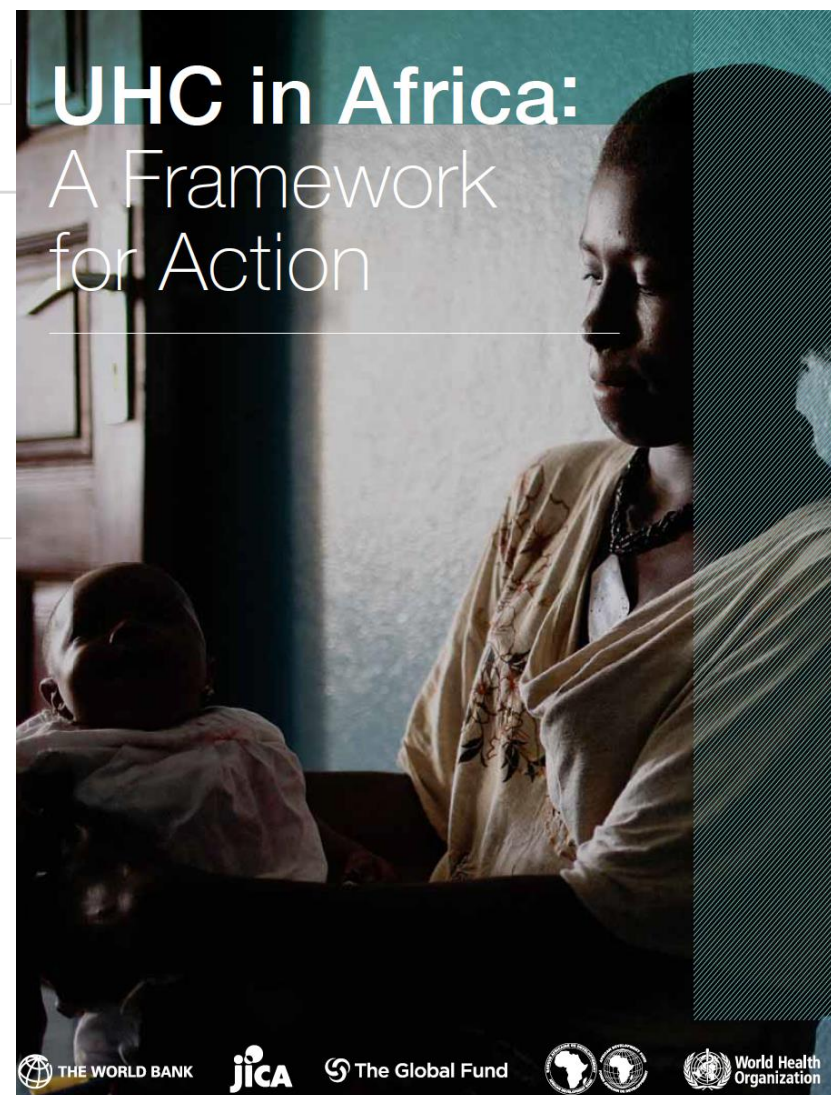
**NAIROBI, Kenya, August 26, 2016**—Today at the Sixth Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD-VI), African heads of state and partners vowed to accelerate progress toward universal health coverage (UHC) in Africa. To help countries implement their health reforms, the World Bank and the Global Fund

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# Three policy levers to address the impediments to NCDs prevention and control

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1. Elevating NCDs on the health agenda of key policymakers
2. Providing them with better evidence about risk control
3. Persuading them of the need for *health systems change*

(Source: Yach D et al, 2004)