

# KEY DATA 2024

**18** projects

**21** technical  
assurances in  
14 countries

**5** intervention  
countries with  
permanent teams



**129** employees

**85%**

of our teams  
are based at  
country level and  
represent  
15 nationalities



**11M€**  
expenditure

## EMERGING AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES

**3** HIV self-tests

(2 finger-prick blood, 1 oral swab)  
pre-qualified in Côte d'Ivoire as part  
of national HIV self-testing transition  
plan implementation.

**128,790**

pregnant women monitored as  
part of the differentiated HIV service  
delivery strategy scale up in Niger.

**296**

mentoring and coaching sessions  
across all 35 health facilities as part  
of the NFM3 project in Sierra Leone.

## SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS

**4,552**

awareness-raising outreach  
sessions reaching 12,670  
adolescents and young  
people as part of the AGIR  
project in Côte d'Ivoire.

**9,000+**

adolescents and  
young people sensitised  
about unintended  
pregnancies, family  
planning, STIs, HIV and  
gender-based violence in  
Guinea (PAJES project).

**163**

survivors of  
gender-based violence  
(146 women and 17 men)  
provided with holistic care as  
part of the SANSAS project  
in Senegal.

**87%**

of female sex workers  
who participated in self-  
gynaecology workshops  
run by the POUVOIR project  
(Côte d'Ivoire) feel more  
empowered.

## MATERNAL AND INFANT HEALTH

**Less than 1 day**

turnaround for HIV viral load test results for newborns,  
ensuring access to appropriate treatment and  
significantly reducing HIV infections in newborns.

## HEALTH AND CLIMATE



**40**

health professionals trained  
on the risks associated with anti-  
microbials, pesticides and their impact  
on human, animal and environmental  
health (THIELLAL project, Senegal).

## ACADEMIC AND SCIENTIFIC WORK



**16** publications in  
scientific journals.



**9**

oral presentations, 5 posters,  
1 symposium and 1 workshop at  
3 international conferences.

# KEY INTERVENTIONS 2024



## Study on unintentional pregnancies in Guinea

One component of the PAJES project, which ended in 2024, was a study on unintended pregnancies (UP) in school settings in Guinea. The study showed that gender-based violence (GBV) is a key factor that contributes to UPs. Of the 678 female students surveyed, 21% had been pregnant between 2021 and 2023. 73% of these pregnancies were unintended. The study highlighted that different forms of violence were the cause, such as sexual violence imposed by partners (19% of female students surveyed), including spouses for young married women. In such cases, sexual violence is linked to reproductive coercion, meaning behaviours of control or force that interfere with a woman's decision-making around reproductive health. 77% of the students surveyed either were pregnant or had been pregnant by their husbands.

This unprecedented study in Guinea demonstrated that GBV and UPs are intrinsically linked. The study results were presented at the AFRA-VIH conference in Yaoundé, Cameroon, in April. The results demonstrate areas for reflection to identify effective responses to combat these issues at national level.



## Working together on SRHR

In September, Solthis and partner teams met in Conakry, Guinea, for a seminar on sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). This week-long experience sharing event focused on service provision and our community interventions, enabling us to build on our approaches and the evolution of this thematic area within Solthis. Gender, menstrual health and combatting gynaecological and obstetric violence were central to the discussions. We had graphic facilitator, Mathieu Letellier, at the event capturing what speakers were saying about the different themes. The output of his work will be used in 2025 to develop a brochure and a motion design on Solthis' SRHR Niger commitments.

**Mali**  
Country office opens to provide decentralised HIV care and support in the Segou region.



**Niger**  
1<sup>st</sup> project to support the National AIDS Control Programme.



**Burundi**  
1<sup>st</sup> Solthis technical assistance on the decentralisation of HIV and AIDS care.



**Guinea & Sierra Leone**  
Launch of interventions on the continuity of care in the context of Ebola, prevention and infection control in hospital settings.



**Mali & Niger**  
1<sup>st</sup> programme to promote youth SRH, JADES.

**Sierra Leone**  
Launch of Empower, first project to strengthen NETHIPS (network of PLHIV).

**Guinea**  
Start-up of DIAVINA, ANRS-funded research project on PMTCT.

2003

2004

2009

2015

2016



## Solthis4Health, a record-breaking fundraiser

A record first in Solthis' history! On 18 November, we held our first fundraising event for Solthis4Health, at the mayor's office in the fifth arrondissement of Paris.

Over 120 guests were present at this moving and hope-filled evening. It was led by Mahi Traoré, with speakers presenting our interventions and impact - Dr. Sanata Diallo and Henri Balbaud (board members), Dr. Odé Kanku Kabemba (Director of Solthis Guinea), Dr. Guillaume Breton (technical focal point), and from Solthis head office Dr. Roland Tubiana (Chair), Dr. Serge Breyse (CEO) and Rachel Domenach (Director of Communication and Fundraising). The two-time silver medallist in fencing at the Olympics in Paris, Auriane Mallo-Breton, and academic and writer, Jean-Christophe Rufin, were in attendance at the event, which raised over €50,000.



## Recognised expertise in HIV self-testing

HIV self-testing is a major innovation in terms of patient empowerment as it allows people to choose when, where and with whom they find out their HIV status. Solthis began introducing self-testing in West Africa in 2018 through the ATLAS project, funded by Unitaid, which has distributed 400,000 self-test kits in Côte d'Ivoire, Mali and Senegal. The research component, which was carried out by IRD as part of the project, demonstrated the relevance of self-testing as a complementary testing tool. The two most recent articles, published in 2024 in the [Lancet HIV](#) and the [Journal of the International AIDS Society](#), demonstrate the epidemiological impact and cost-effectiveness of this testing approach. In light of our experience, Solthis was asked to provide technical assistance, funded by Expertise France - L'Initiative, to support the national programmes in [Guinea](#), [Niger](#) and [Chad](#) to introduce self-testing strategies. In 2025, we are supporting Côte d'Ivoire's national AIDS programme to roll out a scale-up plan, aimed at making self-testing available in private pharmacies, with funding from the Fund for Innovation in Development.

### Senegal, Côte d'Ivoire & Mali

Launch of ATLAS HIV self-testing Project. 1<sup>st</sup> project in Senegal and Côte d'Ivoire.



2018

### Mali & Niger

Projects to combat COVID-19, protect health care staff, ensure continuity of care and facilitate rapid testing.



2020

### Sénégal

1<sup>st</sup> One Health project in partnership with AVSF and launch of the SANSAS project on youth SRHR.



2021

Celebrating 20 years of Solthis in Paris and the six countries we work in.



2023

### Guinea

Launch of TRIO, our first project focused on triple elimination: HIV / syphilis / hepatitis B.



2024