

# World Blood Donor Day

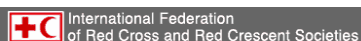
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WHO is the directing and coordinating authority for health within the United Nations system. It is responsible for providing leadership on global health matters, shaping the health research agenda, setting norms and standards, articulating evidence-based policy options, providing technical support to countries and monitoring and assessing health trends.

In the 21st century, health is a shared responsibility, involving equitable access to essential care and collective defence against transnational threats.



The International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies is the world's largest humanitarian organization, providing assistance without discrimination as to nationality, race, religious beliefs, class or political opinions.

Founded in 1919, the International Federation comprises 185 member Red Cross and Red Crescent societies, a Secretariat in Geneva and more than 60 delegations strategically located to support activities around the world. There are more societies in formation. The Red Crescent is used in place of the Red Cross in many Islamic countries.

The Federation's mission is **to improve the lives of vulnerable people by mobilizing the power of humanity.**



The goal of the International Federation of Blood Donor Organizations or FIODS is self-sufficiency in the member states in blood from voluntary, unpaid blood donors. At the same time we want to improve confidence in the national blood supplies as much as possible by harmonizing the minimum security standards for donations, inspection etc.



The International Society of Blood Transfusion ( ISBT) is a scientific society of world renown, founded in 1935, and bringing together professionals involved in blood transfusion and transfusion medicine from more than 85 countries.