



Italian Philanthropy for Climate commitment 2024 Self-assessment survey, results analysis

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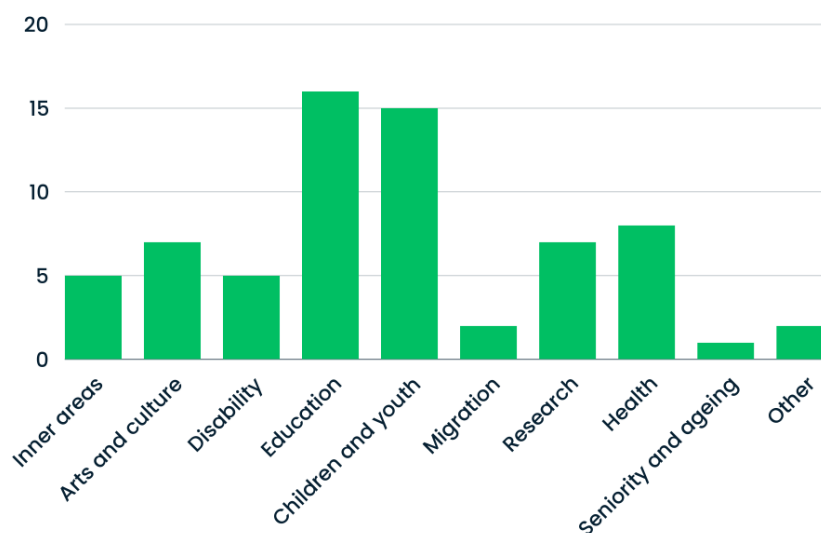
The report is based on a self-assessment survey: at the end of November 2024, a questionnaire was sent to all signatories of the Philanthropy for Climate commitment to be completed in approximately three weeks. This survey was based on a mixed methodology, which combined elements of quantitative and qualitative research with the aim of enabling signatories to engage in a process of self-reflection regarding their commitment to applying the climate lens to their work, how much the signing of the commitment has influenced their vision of the topic and to think about future perspectives.

Methodology

20 foundations and philanthropic organisations out of 81 total signatories responded to the survey, an **increase of almost 18% since 2023**. Looking at the respondents by type, there are: 5 corporate foundations, 8 family foundations, 5 community foundations, 2 other philanthropic organisations.

Starting in summer 2024, a process of alignment with the other chapters of the international Philanthropy for Climate movement has begun to facilitate comparison between countries and to enable aggregation of data. To conclude this process, it was decided to integrate some questions into the questionnaire proposed in 2023, such as: 'What are the main issues the Foundation deals with?', 'What is the endowment of the Foundation?'.

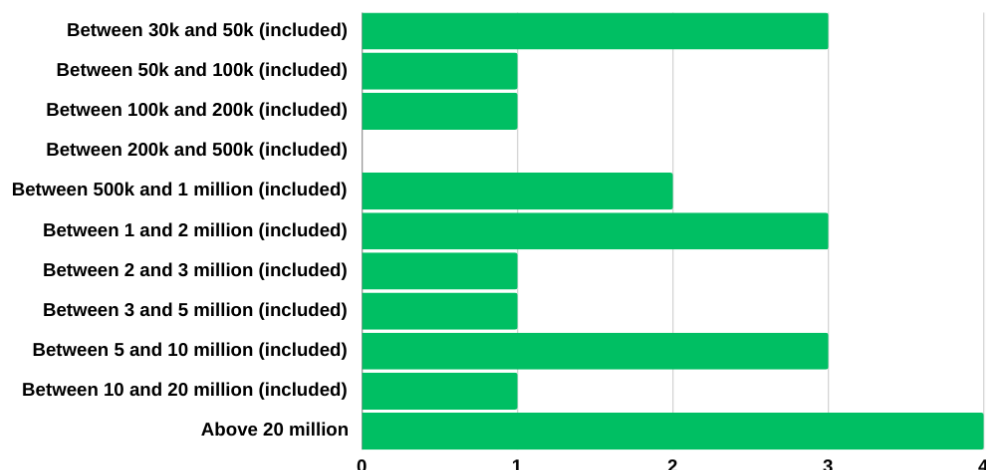
What are the main issues the Foundation deals with? (You can select more than one option)



Based on the financial resources made available annually, there are: 5 foundations declared less than €500,000, 5 between €500,000 and €1 million, 6 respondents between €1 and €2 million, and 4 over €2 million. The 2024 analysis also included a question with respect to the current endowment, inserted with the aim to standardise the data of the Philanthropy for Climate movement and allow for international comparison and aggregation.



What is the Foundation's endowment as of today (in euros)?



Furthermore, the scale used in this current edition of the report is composed of 4 values: respondents could choose between 'not at all', (no actions taken) 'a little' (just getting started), 'quite a lot' (made some progress) and 'very much' (at an advanced stage) to indicate their commitment to the implementation of Philanthropy for Climate or on a particular pillar. In the 2023 analysis, a fifth value was also considered, positioned in the middle of the scale ('indifferent'), which in the process of harmonisation was agreed to be eliminated. The data from 2023 and 2024 are therefore not directly comparable due to the difference in the analysis scales, but the qualitative and general trend comparison remains valid.

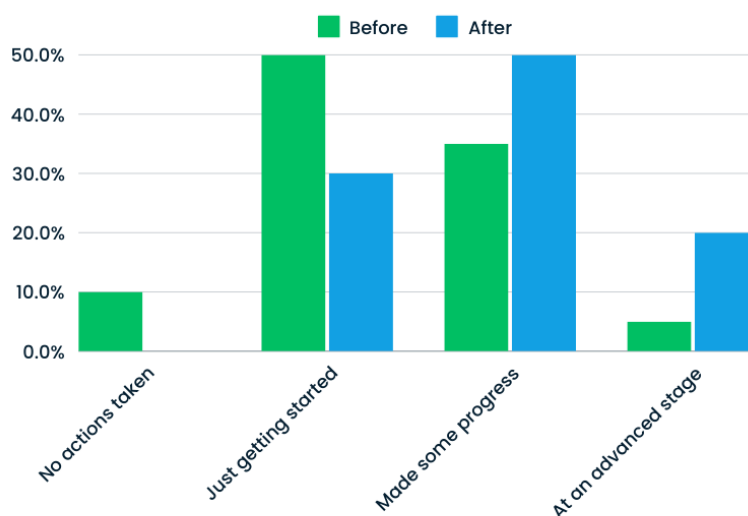
The results (in short)

When analysing in detail the perceived progress as a result of signing the commitment, **a general improvement in the signatories' attention and responsibility towards the climate crisis** can be observed. In fact, while 60% of respondents perceived their commitment to be completely absent or not present at all before signing the



Declaration, only half of them (30%) position themselves in this segment after becoming signatories. As proof of this, most respondents - **70% - positioned themselves in the highest segment of the rating scale** after signing the Commitment, while only 40% had selected between 'made some progress' and 'at an advanced stage' in reference to before signing the commitment launched by Assifero. Furthermore, focusing more specifically on **progress over the past year**, a shared positive momentum is confirmed: **60% of respondents rank in the upper sections** of the rating scale, compared to 0 respondents rating overall progress over the past year as 'no actions taken'.

Assess your level of climate commitment before and after signing the Declaration of Commitment on Climate Change:



Regarding the **pillars**, the **pillar 1**- Education and learning - and the number **2**- Commitment of resources – were the most approved, being at the top of the priorities of most foundations and philanthropic organisations. In line with 2023, on the other hand, the area for improvement is in the public sharing of the progress, challenges and opportunities of the climate pathway - pillar 6, Informing on progress and achievements -: only 5% of respondents confirmed that they had published materials related to their climate pathway, and the pillar was ranked last on the priority scale of respondents.

Rank each pillar in order of priority for your foundation:

