

The contribution to the PAHO is now managed by the Public Health Agency of Canada. In 2013–2014, the ODA provided by the agency totalled \$13.3 million. The PAHO contributed to important progress in the region in a range of areas, from the elimination and control of infectious diseases to the strengthening of health systems, addressing the social determinants of health, and access to prevention, care, and rehabilitation services.

Canada's Contribution to the International Telecommunication Union

The International Telecommunication Union (ITU) is the United Nations specialized agency responsible for coordinating the global development of telecommunications. Its mandate is to enable the growth and sustained development of telecommunications and information networks, and to facilitate universal access in this emerging information society and global economy. Industry Canada manages Canada's contribution to the ITU.

The ITU's membership comprises of 193 member states and more than 700 sector members and associates (private industry and academic institutions). As the global focal point for governments and the private sector, the ITU's main activities span three core sectors: radiocommunications, standardization and development.

Key results achieved in 2013–2014 include an improved capacity of developing countries in transitioning from analog to digital broadcasting through training, direct assistance, regional initiatives, master plans and development of guidelines and tools; as well as an improved capacity of developing countries to deploy mobile technology, specifically text messaging and applications, in the health sector. For example, the joint ITU–World Health Organization m-Health Initiative launched a mobile phone cessation program for smokers in Costa Rica and a program to use a mobile platform for diabetes control and prevention in Senegal.

Assessed Contributions to International Organizations

Assessed contributions are payments made by the federal government as a result of Canada's membership in an international organization. In order to maintain our status as a member in good standing, Canada is required to provide its share of the total operations costs for each organization of which we are a member. This not only fulfills Canada's obligations as a member of these organizations, but also allows Canada to advance our foreign and development policy priorities in key multilateral forums.

The Development Assistance Committee of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development determines the portion of assessed contributions to be considered ODA. In 2013–2014, Canada provided ODA-eligible assessed contributions to 25 international organizations, for a total of **\$136.27 million:**

- Commonwealth Foundation
- Commonwealth Secretariat
- Food and Agriculture Organization
- Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture
- International Atomic Energy Agency
- International Labour Organization
- International Maritime Organization – Technical Co-operation Fund
- International Network for Bamboo and Rattan
- International Organisation of La Francophonie
- International Telecommunication Union
- Multilateral Fund for the Implementation of the Montreal Protocol
- Organization of American States
- Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
- Pan American Health Organization
- United Nations
- United Nations Conference to Combat Desertification
- United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations
- United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
- United Nations Environment Programme
- United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change
- Universal Postal Union
- World Health Organization
- World Intellectual Property Organization
- World Meteorological Organization
- World Trade Organization