

## The support of the Akelius Foundation makes childhoods possible

During the campaign period for Världens Barn 2023, the Akelius Foundation doubled every kroner paid into the campaign for six weeks. The investment especially supports children's right to education around the world within the framework of World Children's priorities for all children's right to school, health and security.

In total, the doubled amount was SEK 45.3 million and contributed strongly to it being the highest collection for the World's Children in 20 years. The money was distributed during the first quarter of 2024 after a quality review and board decision. Thank you Akelius Foundation for making childhoods possible.

### Seven projects in seven countries

**Mali, Syria, Uganda, Yemen, South Sudan, Somalia and Kenya**  
Funds have been granted to projects focusing on educational needs in areas affected by conflict, climate change and socio-economic challenges. The projects aim to create safe and inclusive learning environments, improve access to education and support the children's psychosocial well-being.



Akelius' doubled sum amounted to

**45,3**  
SEK million



School children learn to count with the help of sticks the project "Education for children in Ségou, San and Koulikoro" in Mali, with the support of Radiohjälpen via Erikshjälpen.

## The purpose of the project

The projects aim to ensure that children in conflict-affected and climate-affected areas have access to safe, inclusive and quality education. The goals include refurbishing schools, renovating children's facilities for clean water and sanitation, known as WASH, providing educational materials, educating children on hygiene and protection issues, and strengthening the capacity of communities to support children's education. The projects also aim to reduce school dropouts, improve children's mental health and well-being, and promote social cohesion and resilience to future conflicts and climate change. The projects contribute to the UN's sustainability goals through several different initiatives and contribute specifically to goals:

- **Goal 3** - Good health and well-being
- **Goal 4** - Good education for all
- **Goal 5** - Equality for all
- **Goal 10** - Reduced inequality

The projects also include activities that contribute to No Poverty, No Hunger, Combating Climate Change, Clean Water and Sanitation for All and the promotion of Peaceful and Inclusive Societies.

## The project's target group

The projects are aimed at children aged 3–17, including internally displaced persons, as well as their families, teachers, school staff and local population. In total, the projects will directly reach approx. 75,745 individuals and indirectly approx. 167,781 individuals.

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individuals are expected to be reached by the projects.



The projects contribute specifically to the UN's sustainability goals 3, 4, 5 and 10.



School students get access to knowledge, to develop abilities and support to deal with the effects of conflicts, climate change and environmental destruction. This can affect their ability to go to school, in the Children's Fund project "Access to education for children affected by conflict and climate change" in Bandiagara and Mopti in Mali.

## The project's operations

### Rehabilitation of schools and sanitary facilities

Repair of classrooms, latrines and water pipes to ensure functionality and accessibility in schools.

### Education and support for teachers

Thematic training for teachers and school staff to improve teaching methods and psychosocial support for children.

### Educational materials

Distribution of educational and school materials to vulnerable children to reduce financial barriers to education.

### Education about hygiene and sanitation

Training for teachers and students on hygiene, sanitation and menstruation.

### Psychosocial support

Psychosocial support for children who have experienced the trauma of war.

### Association life and sports

Organization of gatherings and sports activities to promote understanding and social cohesion between refugees and local communities.



A schoolgirl learns the alphabet on the blackboard in the project "Education for children in Ségou, San and Koulikoro". The support takes place via Erikshjälpen in Mali.



In war-torn Yemen, children are being supported to return to the classroom. In the picture, a schoolgirl gets access to school materials. Radiohjälpen's support takes place via PMU's project "Strengthening the future through safe and healthy access to education".



In the picture, schoolgirls in Uganda have created signs to create a positive influence for safe and secure schooling. The project "Strengthen the future through safe and healthy access to education" takes place via support for the IOGT-NTO movement.

## Project supported by the Akelius foundation



SOUTH SUDAN

### "Child-centered strategy to strengthen the right to education (CARE project)"

in Magwi, South Sudan, via Save the Children  
**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:**  
SEK 9,000,000

**Target group:** 11,900 children and parents.

### "Access to education for children affected by conflict and climate change"

in Bandiagara and Mopti, Mali, via the Children's Fund

**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:**  
SEK 4,414,534

**Target group:** 24,000 children

### "Education for children In Ségou, San and Koulikoro"

in Mali via Erikshjälpen

**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:**  
SEK 4,414,534

**Target group:** 18,040 children



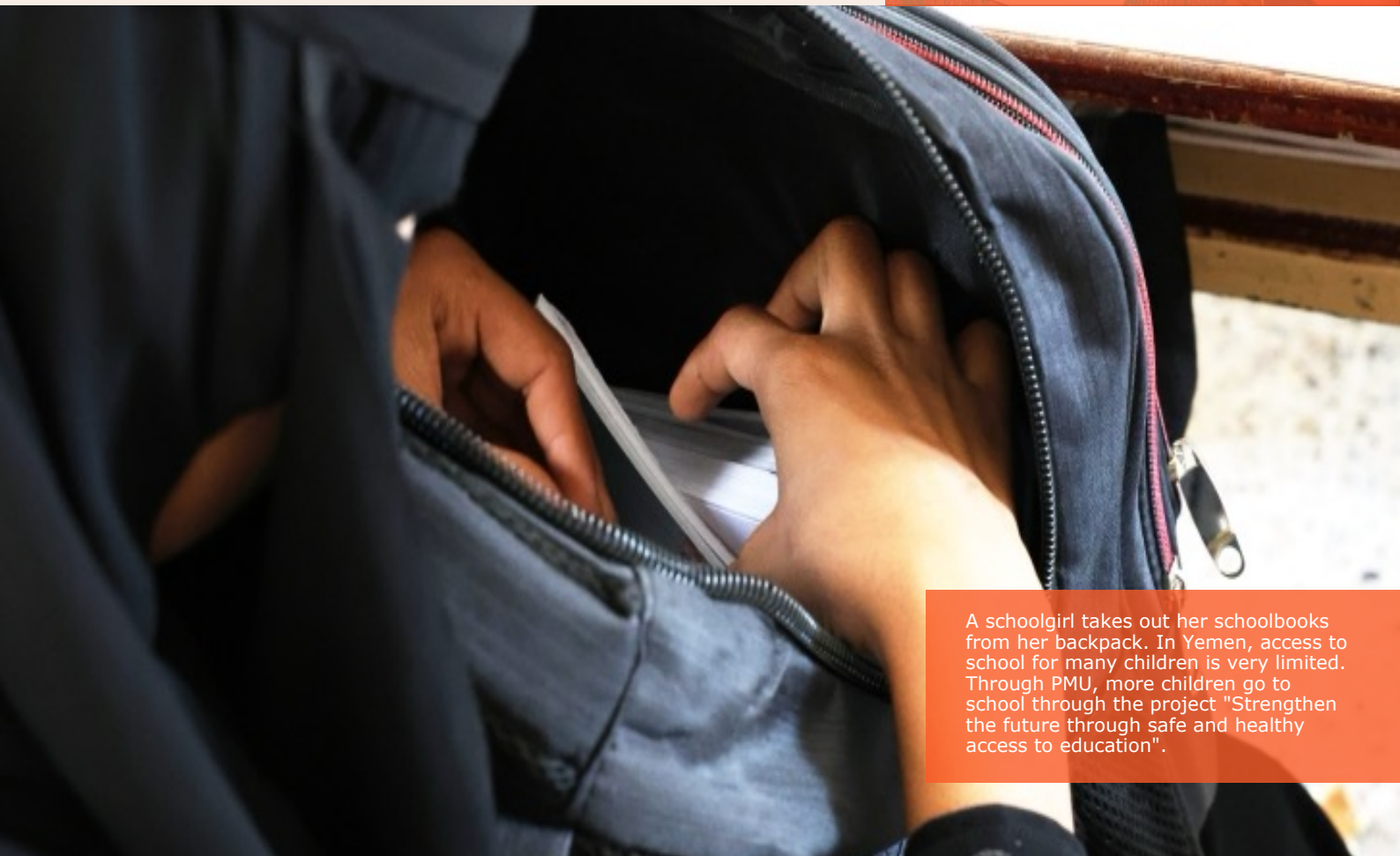
MALI



A teacher teaches school children in front of the blackboard. Radiohjälpen's support goes via ACT The Church of Sweden, which runs the project "Strengthening inclusive education in the Horn of Africa for children on the run" in South Sudan, Kenya and Somalia.



Schoolboys study concentrated in the activities of the project "Access to education for children affected by conflicts and climate change" thanks to Radiohjälpen's support via the Children's Fund's project in Mali.



A schoolgirl takes out her schoolbooks from her backpack. In Yemen, access to school for many children is very limited. Through PMU, more children go to school through the project "Strengthen the future through safe and healthy access to education".



SYRIA

**"Strengthening the future through safe and healthy access to education"**

in Deir ez-Zor, Syria, via the Swedish Red Cross  
**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:** SEK 8,748,568

**Target group:** 4,450 children



UGANDA

**"Education for children to create a bright future"**

in Uganda via the IOGT-NTO movement  
**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:** SEK 3,295,000

**Target group:** 6,000 children



YEMEN

**"Helping vulnerable children return to the classroom"**

in Yemen via PMU  
**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:** SEK 4,500,000

**Target group:** 2,060 children



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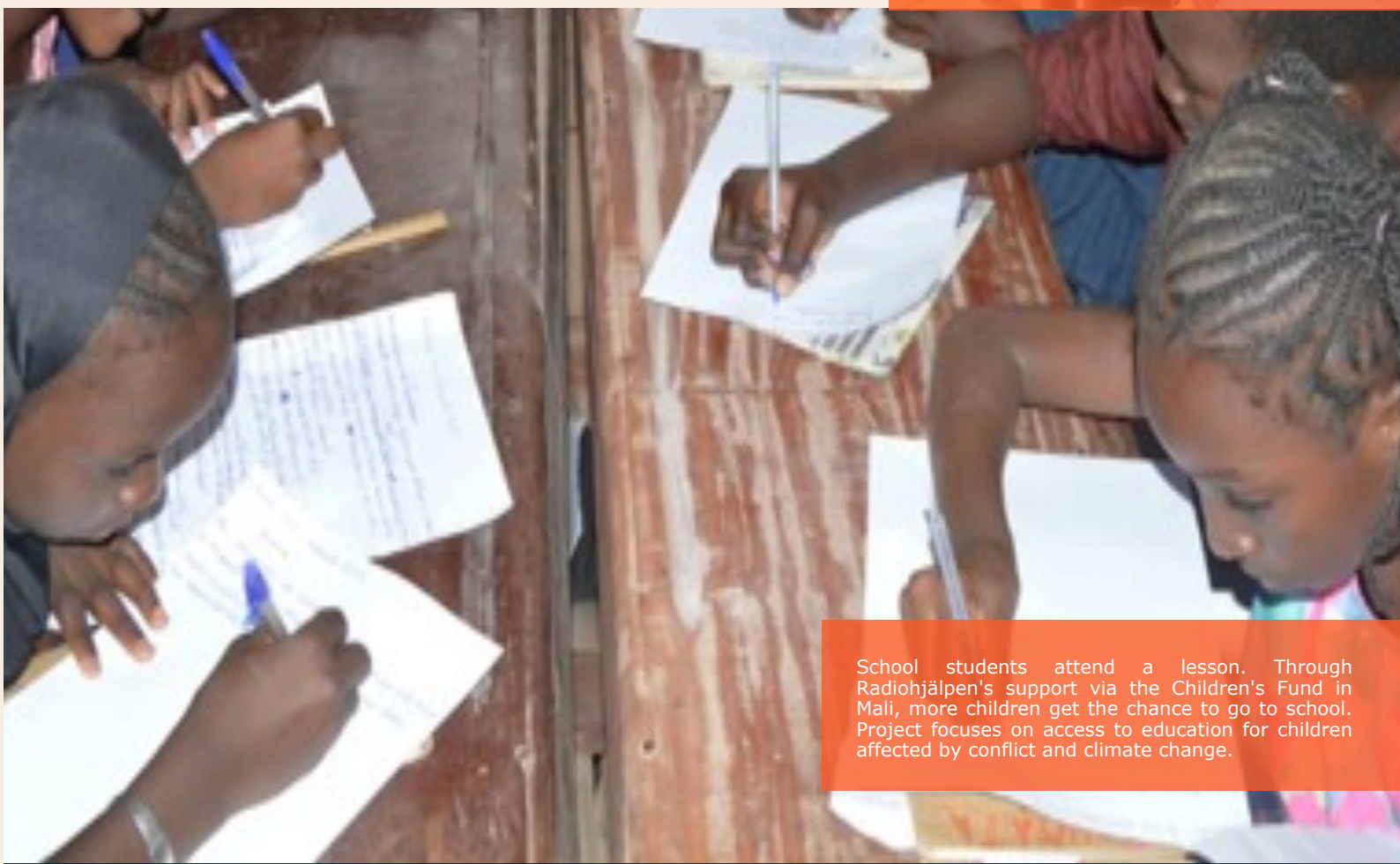
**"Strengthening inclusive education in the Horn of Africa for refugee children"**

in South Sudan, Somalia and Kenya via ACT Swedish Church  
**Contribution from the Akelius foundation:** SEK 9,000,000

**Target group:** 9,295 children



A schoolgirl learns to write on the blackboard in Erikshjälpen's project "Education for children in Ségou, San and Koulikoro" in Mali.



School students attend a lesson. Through Radiohjälpens support via the Children's Fund in Mali, more children get the chance to go to school. Project focuses on access to education for children affected by conflict and climate change.



Mathematics is on the agenda in Ségou, San and Koulikoro in Mali. The goal is for 17,000 children to have access to education and tools to promote peaceful societies. The support takes place via Erikshjälpen's project.

# A BIG THANK YOU TO THE AKELIUS FOUNDATION!

With kind regards

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