

The Aspen Institute International Partners Network



2024 Impact Report



INTERNATIONAL
PARTNERS

Dear Friends of the Aspen Institute
International Partners,

As the sun rises in one corner of the world and sets in another, the work of the Aspen Institute International Partners continues—uninterrupted, unyielding, and united in purpose. Somewhere around the world, at any moment, our global network of Partners is advancing the shared mission of fostering free, just, and equitable societies.

In reflecting on 2024, we are reminded of the remarkable breadth and impact of this global network. From Queenstown to London, New Delhi to Madrid, and everywhere in between, our partners champion initiatives that tackle the defining challenges of our time: strengthening democracy, addressing inequities, and fostering dialogue across cultures. Together, Partners have launched new programs, deepened collaborations, and sparked conversations and connections that ripple far beyond their origins, transforming communities in profound and lasting ways.



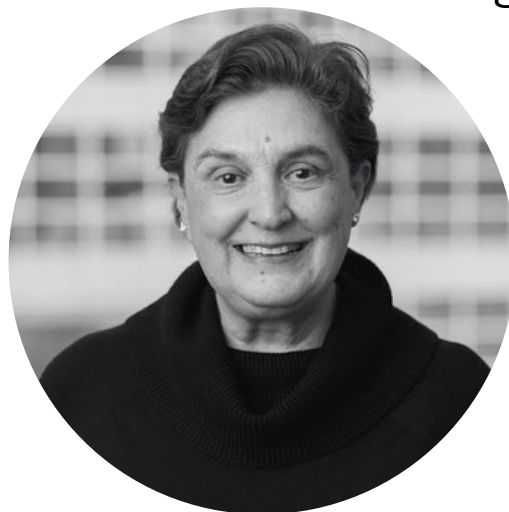
This work is only possible because of the enduring commitment of our International Partners. With 13 Partners and one Initiative in 16 countries, the network amplifies the Aspen mission across every region of the globe. It is this global reach—grounded in shared values but responsive to local contexts—that makes the International Partners a cornerstone of the Aspen Institute's vision.

As we look ahead to 2025, the need for this network and what it represents is stronger than ever. We will continue to strengthen connections across borders, build new bridges in regions where they are most needed, and empower young and emerging leaders to carry forward the work of creating a better world. This year, we will also deepen our focus on collaborative innovation, leveraging the collective expertise of the International Partners to address challenges that transcend national boundaries.

To every partner, supporter, and advocate – thank you for being part of this extraordinary community. As we embark on another year of impactful work, we are proud of what we have accomplished together and hopeful for what lies ahead. Somewhere, everywhere, the work of the Aspen Institute International Partners is always in motion—and with your continued support, we know that motion will drive lasting change.

With gratitude and optimism,

Clare Muñana
Chair, International Committee
Aspen Institute Board of Trustees



The International Partners

The Aspen Institute's International Partners are on the **front lines to spark intellectual inquiry** and respond to the need for civil discourse in their societies.

Our Partners work to create a **global community** of leaders committed to the greater good and elevate non-partisan dialogue to address the world's biggest challenges.

The Aspen idea continues to grow and expand worldwide, most recently with the Aspen Initiative Africa-Nairobi.

Each branch of the Aspen family tree is committed to upholding the Aspen mission to drive change through **dialogue, leadership, and action** to help solve the most important challenges facing the world.



Global Milestones



This year, the Aspen Institute International Partners celebrated various anniversaries as milestones of shared commitment, fostering collaboration, innovation, and enduring global connections.

Aspen Institute Germany celebrated its 50th anniversary, Aspen Institute France celebrated its 40th anniversary, Aspen Institute Italia celebrated its 40th anniversary, Aspen Institute Central Europe celebrated its 12th anniversary, Aspen Institute Mexico celebrated its 10th anniversary, and Aspen Institute UK celebrated its 5th anniversary.

The Impact of the Network

117+

HOURS OF
DIALOGUE HOSTED
BY ASPEN MEXICO

438+

HOURS OF DIALOGUE
HOSTED BY ASPEN
KYIV

350

RISING LEADERS
IN THE ASPEN UK
RISING LEADERS
FELLOWSHIP



1.9M

ASPEN INSTITUTE
ITALIA WEBSITE
VISITS



40

40 NEW AYLP
ALUMNI
WELCOMED TO THE
ASPEN CENTRAL
EUROPE FAMILY

384+

PARTICIPANTS
THROUGHOUT
ASPEN JAPAN'S
VARIOUS SEMINARS
APRIL- SEPT. 2024

2,592+

ASPEN INSTITUTE
GERMANY EVENT
PARTICIPANTS
SO FAR IN 2024

495,014+

IMPRESSIONS ON
ASPEN INITIATIVE
AFRICA-NAIROBI'S
LINKEDIN IN 2024

300

NEW ASPEN INSTITUTE
ROMANIA FELLOWS &
ALUMNI FROM 11
LEADERSHIP
PROGRAMS

100+

YOUTH
ENGAGED AT
THE
ANANTA
CENTRE IN 2024



10,000+

IMPRESSIONS ON
ASPEN INSTITUTE
FRANCE'S
LINKEDIN IN 2024

The Impact of the Network

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“I FOUND THE ASPEN INSTITUTE AND WHAT THEY DO TO BE ONE OF THE MOST INSPIRING ORGANISATIONS IN THE FIELD.”

ASPEN NEW ZEALAND PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



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“FOR ME, IT WAS AN AWAKENING! AN AWAKENING TO THAT REALITY THAT IS SELDOM TALKED ABOUT, BUT THAT SUSTAINS US, AND REPRESENTS KINDNESS, AWARENESS, AND LOVE TOWARDS OTHERS AND TOWARDS COLOMBIA.”

ASPEN COLOMBIA PROGRAM PARTICIPANT



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“ENGAGING IN AN OPEN DIALOGUE THAT EXPLORES THE MAJOR, COMPLEX, AND CONCEPTUALLY CHALLENGING QUESTIONS FACING HUMANITY HAS PROFOUNDLY SHAPED MY PERSPECTIVE ON THE WORLD.”

ASPEN INSTITUTE ESPAÑA PROGRAM PARTICIPANT

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2024 Partner Highlights

**ASPEN INSTITUTE UK
HELD ITS SECOND ANNUAL
MEETING ENGAGING OVER 200
ATTENDEES.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE ROMANIA
CO-ORGANIZED THE 2024 NATO
YOUTH SUMMIT ACROSS
LOCATIONS IN THE US AND
EUROPE.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE MÉXICO
HOSTED "CREATING
COMMUNITY THROUGH SPORTS"
ON THE SIDELINES OF CITYLAB.**



2024 Partner Highlights

**ASPEN INSTITUTE FRANCE
HOSTED THE 2024 YOUNG LEADERS
ENGAGÉS SEMINAR, ON THE
SHORES OF LAKE ANNECY IN THE
ALPS.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE ESPAÑA
CONTINUED PROGRAMS LIKE THE
ASPEN IDEAS PROGRAM AND
SEMINARS FOR UNIVERSITY STUDENTS
PROMOTING LEADERSHIP AND OPEN
DIALOGUE ON GLOBAL CHALLENGES.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE CENTRAL EUROPE
CELEBRATED THE 12TH ANNIVERSARY
OF ITS FOUNDING WITH AN EVENT AT
THE EMBASSY OF POLAND TO THE
CZECH REPUBLIC.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE NEW ZEALAND
HOSTED A SOCRATES SEMINAR ON
“THE FUTURE OF BUSINESS”
MODERATED BY JUDY SAMUELSON
IN QUEENSTOWN.**



2024 Partner Highlights

**ASPEN INSTITUTE GERMANY
CELEBRATED 50 POWERFUL YEARS
WITH AN ANNIVERSARY GALA
HOSTING OVER 150 PEOPLE AT
ROTES RATHAUS.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE ITALIA
HOSTED A ROUNDTABLE IN
COOPERATION WITH ASPEN INSTITUTE
CENTRAL EUROPE, ASPEN INSTITUTE
ROMANIA, INSTITUT ASPEN FRANCE,
ASPEN INSTITUTE KYIV.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE JAPAN
HOSTED THE YOUNG EXECUTIVE
SEMINAR WHICH WAS DEVELOPED
AS A FOUNDATIONAL PROGRAM OF
THE EXECUTIVE SEMINARS.**



**ASPEN INSTITUTE COLOMBIA
HOSTED "LIDERANDO A COLOMBIA 2050"
WHICH CONSISTS OF FOUR ASPEN
SEMINARS – TWO TEXT BASED SEMINARS
AND TWO IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES
THROUGHOUT COLOMBIA.**



2024 Partner Highlights

**ASPEN INSTITUTE KYIV
CO-ORGANIZED THE
GOOD GOVERNANCE FORUM
"UKRAINE 2024: DIMENSIONS OF
RESILIENCE" BRINGING TOGETHER
113 PARTICIPANTS.**



**ANANTA ASPEN CENTRE
HOSTED THE ANANTA GODREJ
IDEAS INDIA FESTIVAL THAT
BROUGHT TOGETHER OVER 100
FELLOWS.**



**ASPEN INITIATIVE AFRICA - NAIROBI
CONVENED INTERFAITH RELIGIOUS
LEADERS FROM THE US, KENYA,
NIGERIA AND SOUTH AFRICA.**



"For me, the Aspen Idea is about bringing together two very different worlds; the world of what can be done, the economy and technology, and the world of what ought to be done, moral reasoning, service to the community, building a better world."



**Jose Maria de Areilza, Secretary General
Aspen Institute España**

Network Digital Reach

The Aspen Institute International Partners leverage digital platforms to amplify their global impact and foster collaboration across their extensive network. Through targeted campaigns, newsletters, and a dynamic online presence, the International Partners network connects thought leaders, policymakers, and change agents worldwide. Their digital initiatives facilitate the exchange of ideas and best practices, bridging gaps across continents to address pressing global challenges. By enhancing virtual engagement, the International Partners network continues to strengthen their role as a hub for innovation and cross-cultural dialogue around the world.

YOUTUBE 

8,651+ SUBSCRIBERS

INSTAGRAM



17,584+ FOLLOWERS

TWITTER/X



17,712+ FOLLOWERS

LINKEDIN



35,134+ FOLLOWERS

FACEBOOK



57,908+ FOLLOWERS

“The International Partners network is a window to the world. It is an extraordinary group of talented people who are absolutely dedicated to doing the best for their country and then collaborating internationally so that spreads for the benefit of all.”

Christine Maiden Sharp, CEO
Aspen Institute New Zealand



Rising Generations

2024 marked 75 years of NATO, celebrating an enduring alliance that has safeguarded our collective security, commitment to peace, stability, and cooperation. Youth involvement is critical for the continued evolution of the Alliance, as it brings fresh perspectives and innovative solutions to emerging global challenges. This year, the NATO Youth Summit, co-hosted by NATO PDD, The Aspen Institute International Partners, Aspen Institute Romania, the Swedish Defence University, and the Swedish Civil Contingencies Agency, demonstrated a significant milestone of unprecedented youth engagement and opportunities that empowered and activated the next generation of rising leaders.

900+
In Person
Attendees



4.5M+
Online
views



Global Changemakers Workshop

Since 2023, the Global Changemakers Workshop Series has become a key part of the Aspen Institute International Partners' network efforts to empower the next generation of leaders to focus on the challenges to democracy and inspire values-based leadership.

This year, 19 young leaders from 15 countries were selected to gather together in Warsaw, Poland to tackle one of the most pressing global challenges: **building a greener, more secure, and just future with critical minerals.**

From thought-provoking seminars focused on leadership to dynamic policy roundtables to innovative simulations and cross-cultural conversations, the Changemakers proved the power of investing in young leaders to drive change, realize innovation, and foster understanding. Our sincerest thank you to Aspen Central Europe - Warsaw Office for co-hosting the Workshop this year.

**19 Selected
Participants
15 Countries**



75%

**of participants
attributed open and
honest dialogue in
the program with
shaping and changing
their perspectives**



Looking Ahead

As we reflect on 2024, we are encouraged to see the impact of the Aspen Institute International Partners grow. This powerful network remains steadfast in our commitment to fostering dialogue, connection, and innovation across borders. The challenges we face—rising threats to democracy, growing polarization, and the urgent need for collaborative solutions to global issues—require not just vision, but bold and inclusive action. Thank you to our generous supporters who make this work possible.

In the year ahead, the International Partners will continue to strengthen our efforts to build global networks, cultivate next-generation leaders, and hold space for critical dialogue and purposeful collaboration. Our mission calls on us to remain a bridge between diverse voices, ensuring that the Aspen ethos—grounded in timeless values and enriched by global perspectives—remains a beacon for meaningful impact.



About the Partners

The Aspen Institute International Partners conduct independently developed and financed programs, conferences, and seminars on region-specific issues, global challenges, and leadership development. To learn more about the International Partners and their individual missions, explore the links below.

[**Aspen Institute Germany**](#)

[**Institut Aspen France**](#)

[**Aspen Institute Italia**](#)

[**Aspen Institute Japan**](#)

[**Ananta Aspen Centre \(India\)**](#)

[**Aspen Institute Romania**](#)

[**Aspen Institute España**](#)

[**Aspen Institute Central Europe**](#)

[**Aspen Institute México**](#)

[**Aspen Institute Kyiv**](#)

[**Aspen Institute New Zealand**](#)

[**Aspen Institute UK**](#)

[**Aspen Institute Colombia**](#)

[**Asepn Initiative Africa - Nairobi**](#)



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