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Hope in Action

**PUTTING
PEOPLE FIRST**

Why engage with the **ACT Alliance**

- Action by Churches Together, **ACT Alliance**, is the largest global ecumenical **faith-based coalition** organized in national and regional forums operating in more than 125 countries
- ACT Alliance is a well-established **global faith-based alliance**, with the mandate to work for justice, which includes **transforming patriarchal power structures and social norms**
- 145 + members organized in national, regional and international forums
- Our members mobilize more than 3 billion USD per year
- Working in communities and with communities to create resilience, locally-led programming and humanitarian response
- A rights and humanitarian values- based approach that supports localization and decolonization

The importance of **faith actors**

of the world's population
identifies with a faith or a
religion **84%**

- **Faith principles** and faith leaders' teachings **shape social norms and values, policies and practices.**
- Religious actors are **trusted community leaders**, with strong social links, at times of crisis they engage with disaster affected families, helping to identify the most vulnerable in need of support.
- **ACT Alliance promotes theological interpretations that are right-based and liberating**, on the premise that all people are created in the image of God and, therefore, deserve equal rights.

Critical issues at stake



The political use of religious teachings and the confluence of religious, economical and political fundamentalisms.



Polarization and attacks on democracy, online violence and fake news.



Growing inequalities and new (geo) political agendas

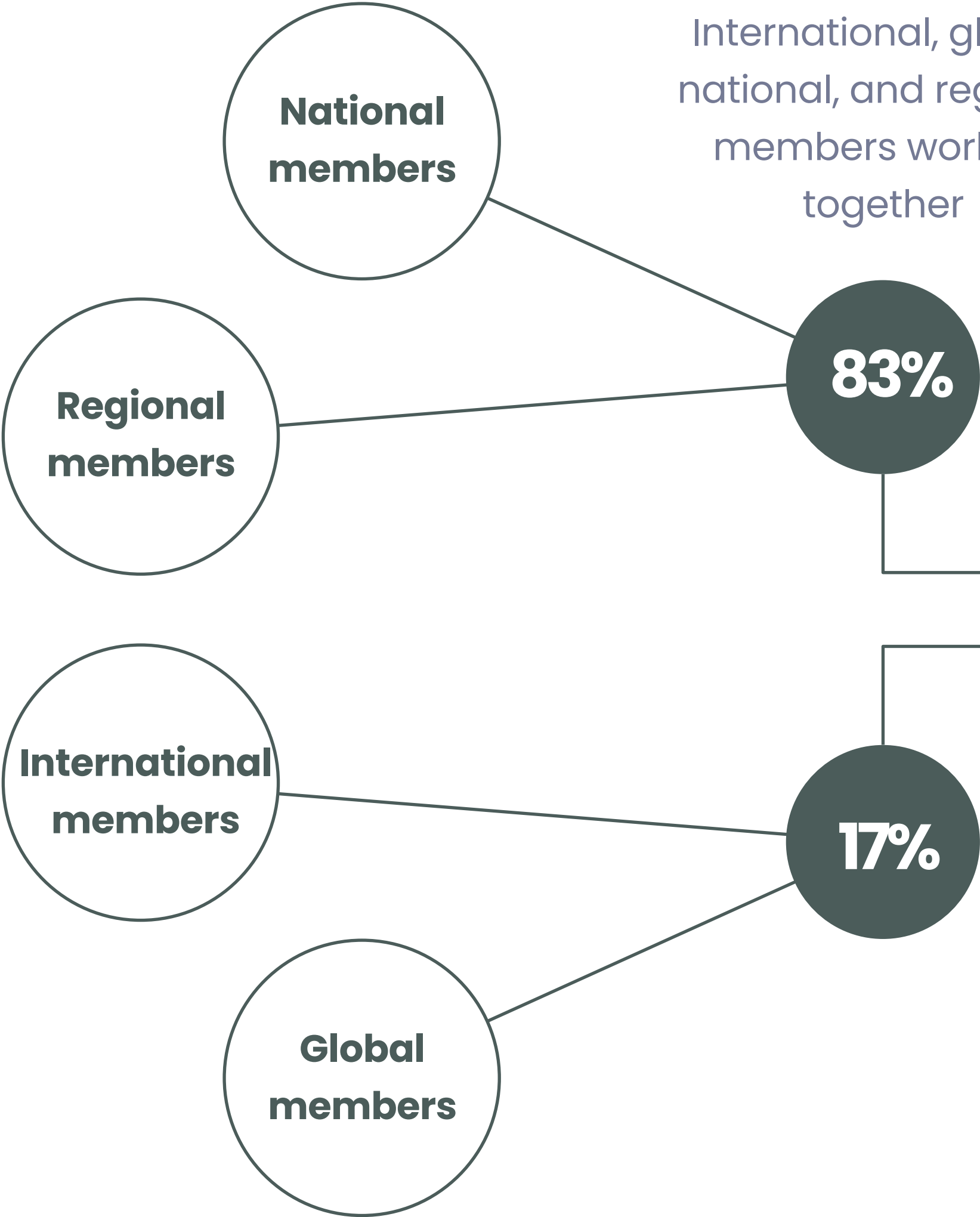


Gender and gender-identity based discriminations

How we operate

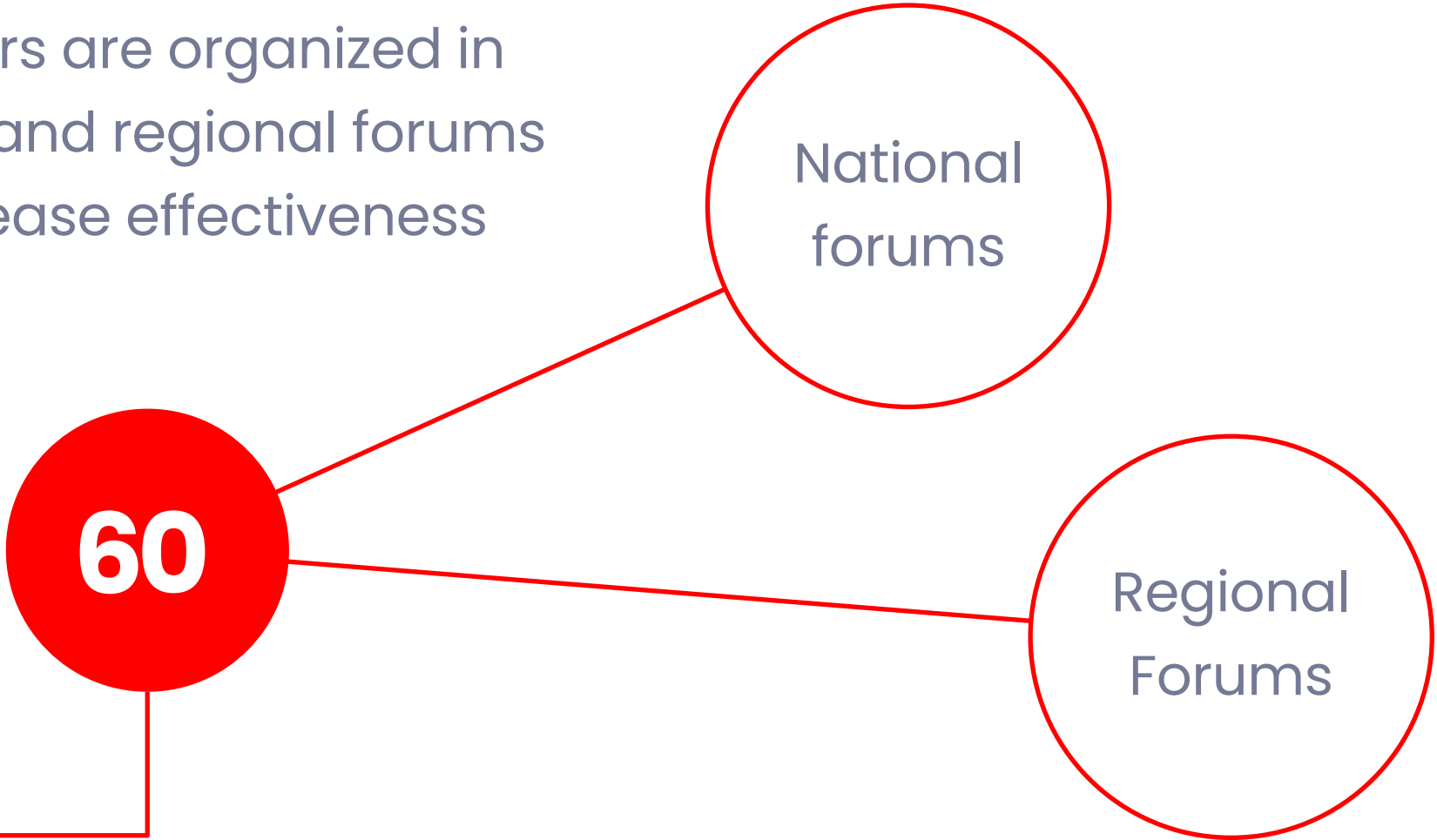
Membership

International, global, national, and regional members working together



Structures

Members are organized in national and regional forums to increase effectiveness



Our core **values**

Localization

We promote a locally-led and coordinated approach to advocacy, humanitarian relief and development

Justice

We work holistically to ensure that our programmes and advocacy have at the core the needs of those who suffer the most



Decolonization

We address the colonial and racist legacy in humanitarian, development and governance structures

Quality and Accountability

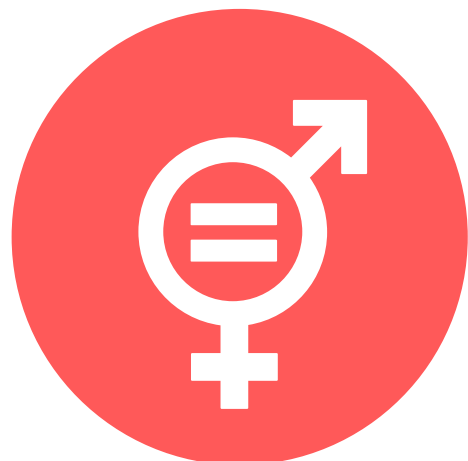
We acknowledge and assume responsibility for the actions, decisions and policies of all activities ACT members are involved in

Our programmatic **priorities**



Emergency preparedness
and
Humanitarian response

ACT ensures stronger participation of communities and local/national organizations in the humanitarian response and promotes community resilience. Disposes of a funding mechanism to ensure quick and effective response, while addressing humanitarian advocacy



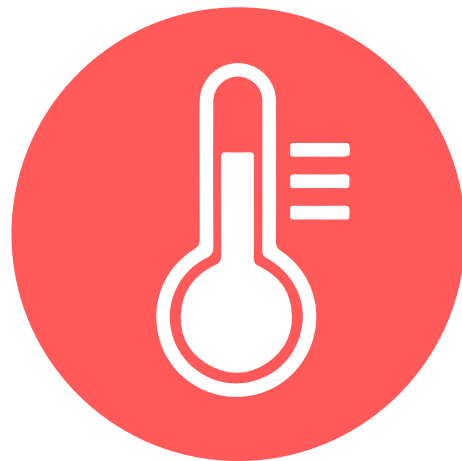
Gender Justice

ACT challenges patriarchal, social and cultural structures and creates an enabling environment for gender justice. ACT Alliance counters the backlash against women's rights, including their sexual and reproductive health and rights, and LGBTIQ+ discrimination by creating a new narrative that positions faith-based actors and communities



Peace and Human Security

ACT implements actions aimed at resolving conflict and promoting peace, focusing on women and young people. ACT Alliance supports and develops programs to prevent violence and hate speeches by addressing the root causes of conflict and strengthening a community's robustness to manage potential conflicts in the future



Climate Justice

ACT contributes to the full, inclusive and ambitious implementation of the Paris Agreement and the SDGs. It works to influence transformational change for a just transition to more sustainable systems and structures. It focuses on loss and damage, climate-induced migration, climate finance, capacity building, human rights frameworks and gender justice



Migration and displacement

ACT advocates for the human rights of migrants and displaced and ensure that their voices are heard. ACT is faith and rights based, impact focused, committed to working ecumenically and inter-religiously, with the communities we seek to serve and accompany. Our members respond in areas where poverty and injustice occur, regardless of location.

Why Multi-stakeholder partnerships

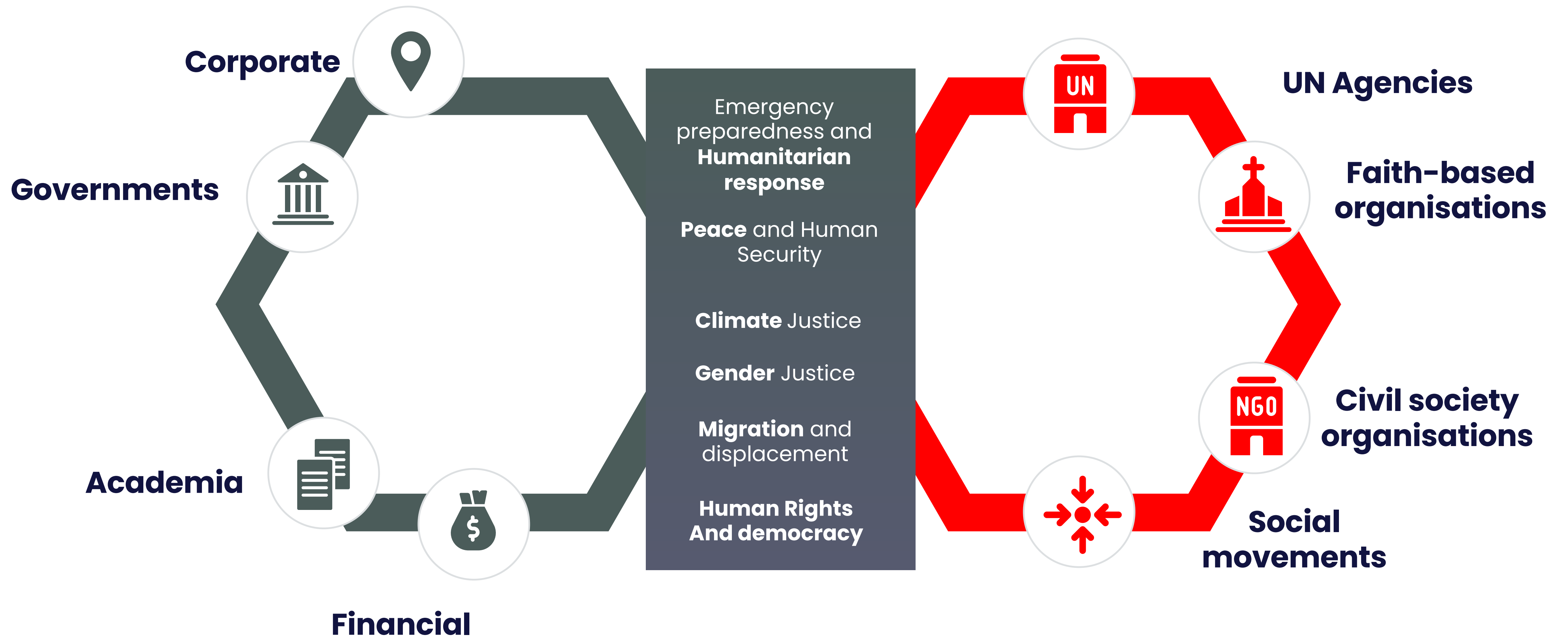
Multi-stakeholder partnerships are **crucial to solve complex social challenges** such as climate change, poverty or migration.

Global problems require global solutions.

Working together to overcome these challenges is necessary, as they affect society as a whole and **exceed the ability of any individual actor** to solve on their own.



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