



2024 Annual Member Survey Results

We asked and you answered! Here are some of the key things we learned.

In December 2024, ECDAN sent out an online survey to gather feedback on the network's performance over the year and solicit input on what could be improved moving forward. As part of our new 2024-2028 strategy, we are committed to repeating the survey annually to observe trends and be responsive to feedback. 172 people completed this year's survey.

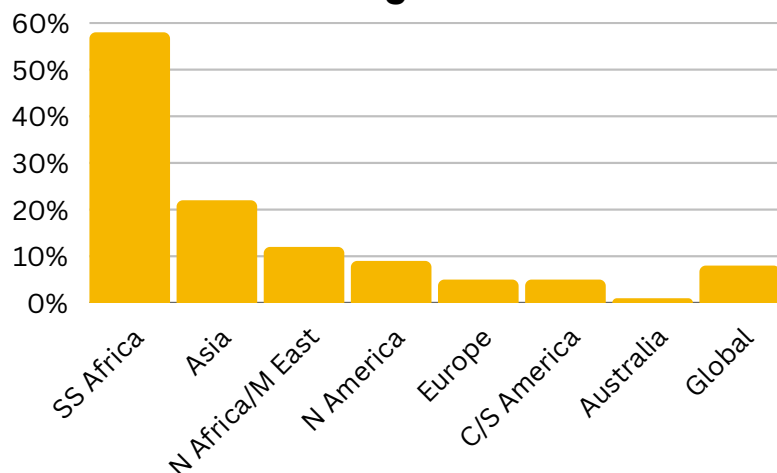
Who responded?

31% of respondents reported being affiliated with a local civil society organization and 25% reported working for an international nongovernmental organization.

This was followed by affiliation with a government agency (15%), academic institution (11%), private sector (8%), and network (3%). The majority of respondents (63%) identified as being a **participant** in ECDAN's offerings—attending webinars, receiving newsletters, accessing resources, etc.—not actively collaborating or co-creating strategy. 25% were quite familiar with ECDAN's strategy while 31% were not at all familiar.



Region of work



Respondents reside in 51 different countries and more than half work in Sub-Saharan Africa.

The next most common region was Asia followed by North Africa/Middle East. 8% reported working at the global level. The top countries of residence were Kenya (9%), Tanzania (9%), the United States (8%), Uganda (6%), and Pakistan (5%).

What did they report?

The top two issue areas that respondents saw the network prioritize in 2024 were **childcare (79%) and **parent/caregiver support** (67%).**

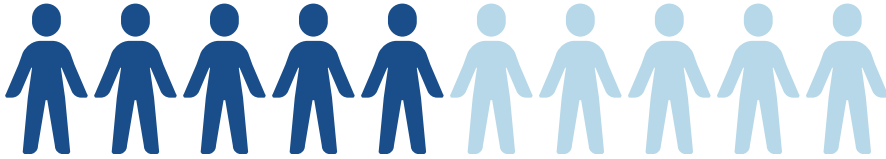
This was followed by systems strengthening, children with disabilities, financing for ECD, and climate change, which were all mentioned by a third or more respondents. The top issues that respondents expressed they would like ECDAN to prioritize in 2025 can be categorized as **children with disabilities**, **climate change**, and **parent/caregiver support**.

Saw the network responding to important issues



83% of respondents said they saw the network respond to important issues impacting children either “mostly” or “consistently” in 2024.

Aware of or involved in the network’s advocacy



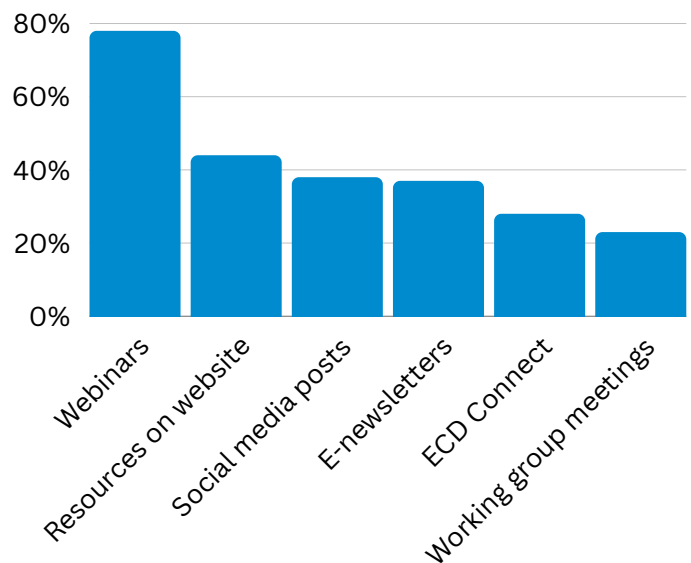
48% of respondents were aware of or engaged in the network’s advocacy actions.

Biggest impact of ECDAN: “It provides an advocacy platform at global level that helps inform regional, national, and local level positive change for young children.”

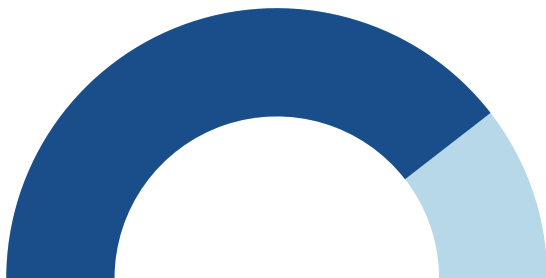
78% reported **webinars** as the knowledge sharing platform they benefited from most.

This was followed by resources on the website, social media posts, and newsletters. 48% of respondents reported applying knowledge gained from ECDAN platforms in some way. 26% said they or their organization contributed resources or expertise to the network either “several times” or “frequently.” 74% of respondents reported using ECDAN platforms “frequently” or “often.” 49% of respondents described the biggest impact of participating in ECDAN in terms that reflected their learning.

Most beneficial knowledge platform



Feel ECDAN adds value



79% of respondents reported that ECDAN adds value to them and/or their organization at a moderate or high level.

72% said they see a role for their organization within ECDAN and are committed to dedicating time and resources to the network either “definitely” or “likely.”

The most common recommendation respondents made can be categorized as a request to **facilitate more interaction between members.**

42% of respondents reported connecting and collaborating with other partners through network activities either “several times” or “frequently” in 2024. While 9% of respondents described the biggest impact of participating in ECDAN in terms that reflected their connections, many respondents wrote that they would like smaller groupings (topic- or region-based), in-person conferences, mentoring, and more opportunities for discussion with others.

Recommendations:

“To involve diverse voices, more purposively include global south leadership, be more of an inclusive network.”

“Periodic member meetings to assess objectives achieved, to share lessons learnt.”