Domestic financial contributions for HIV/AIDS How much should the countries contribute?

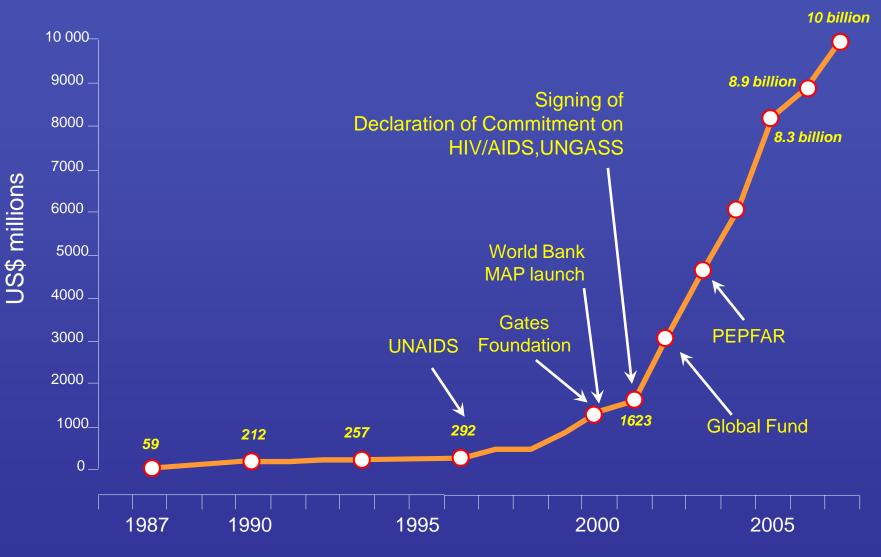
Veronika J. Wirtz, Omar Galárraga <u>Yared Santa-Ana-Tellez</u> Steven S. Forsythe & Stefano M. Bertozzi

International AIDS Economics Network

July 16-17, 2010 Vienna Austria



Total available resources for HIV/AIDS





Source: UNAIDS & WHO unpublished estimates, 2007

Global economic crisis 2008

Europe crisis 2010







Efficiency

Technical

Allocation-Recipients





Domestic Financial Contributions

More external aid can lead to decreases in domestic spending on health care in recipient countries

Debate about whether:

ODA make recipients dependent on donor funds instead of increase their willingness to contribute

Our model proposes a combination of empirical and normative analyses





To propose a general resource allocation model balancing:

countries' need

contribution from official development aid (ODA)

reasonable expected contribution from own resources





Information about 78 countries from World Bank and UNAIDS sources (public and restricted data)

A model was constructed taking into account: a) the country's resource needs estimate (RNE) from UNAIDS

b) the total official development aid (ODA)

c) the expected domestic contribution (EDC)



Methods I

 $y = \beta_1 \log_GNI + \beta_2 \log_prev + \beta_3(GNI-health) + \beta_4 debt + \varepsilon$

y: domestic financial contribution for HIV
log_GNI: logarithm of GNI per capita
log_prev: logarithm of HIV prevalence
health: health expenditure per capita
debt: debt service per capita



Methods II

For low-income countries: Calculate the median GNI per capita

Countries below the median value: "expected contribution" was considered as the actual domestic contribution

Countries above the median were included in the contribution estimation



Methods III

Expected DFC: Domestic Financial Contribution estimated from model (\hat{y}) if $\hat{y} > y$

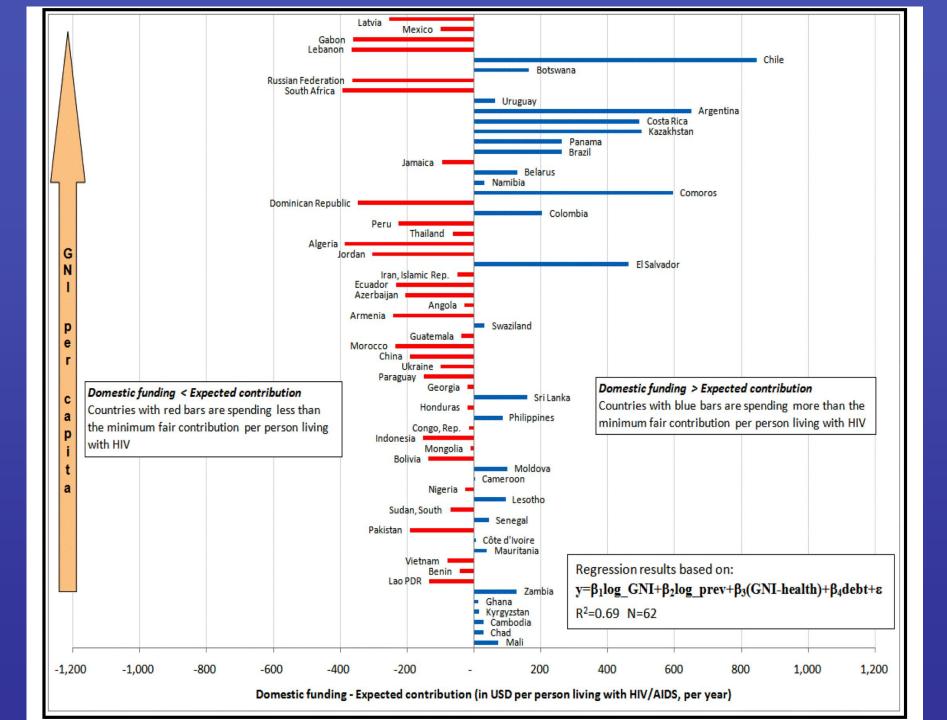
Calculate country's funding gap:

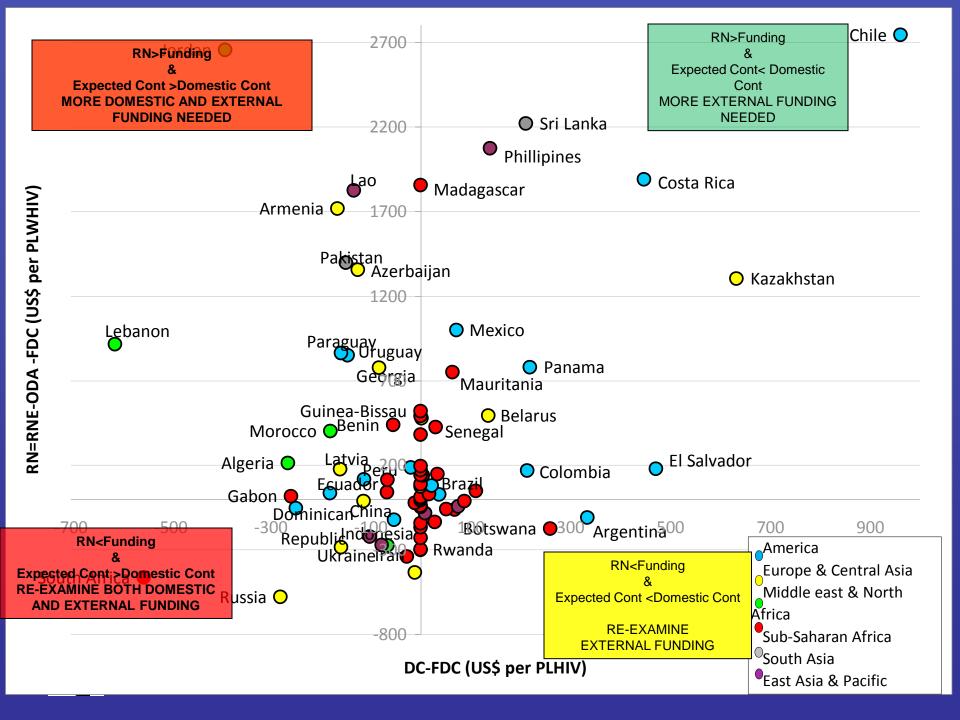
GAP = RNE – (ODA + expected DFC)

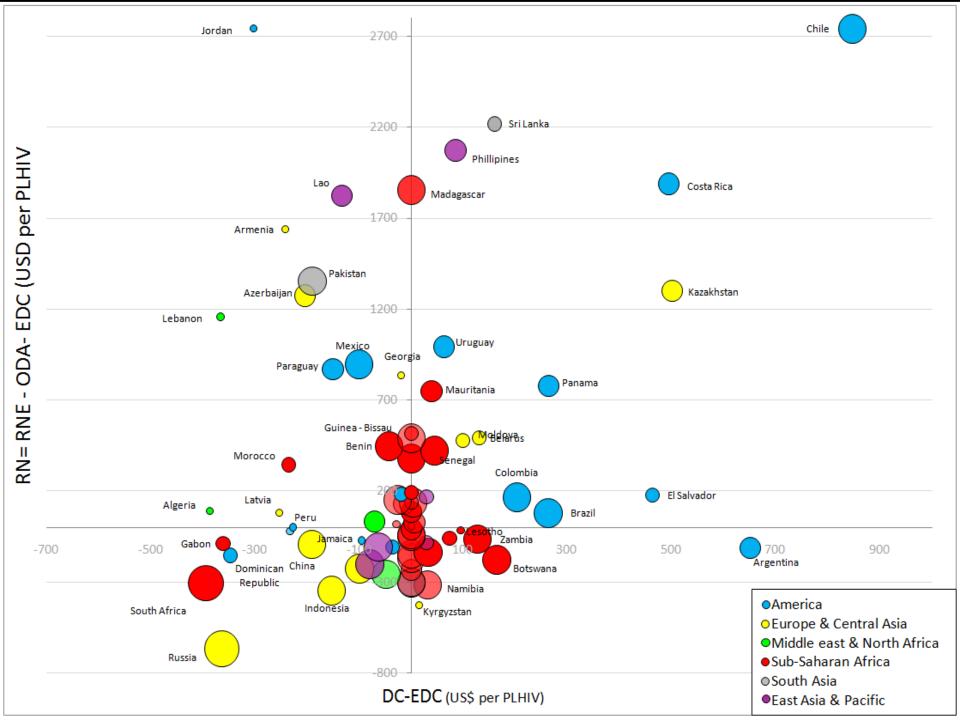
RNE: Resource Needs Estimate ODA: Oficial Development Assistance Gap is positive -> country requires more funding Gap is negative -> country's funding exceeds needs

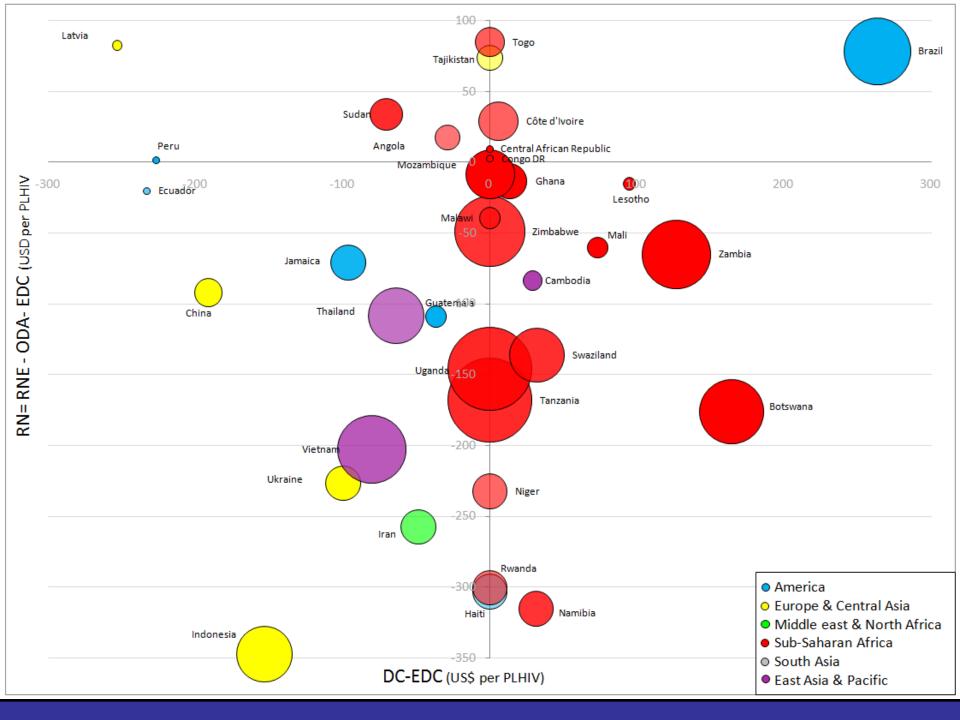
Results











Limitations

Paucity of data:

Data not updated often Additional variables not available Different sources of data Lack of standardized methods Data error: verification and validation? A normative–empirical model: need to explore other alternatives – modifications?



Conclusion

General model to analyze domestic and external financial contributions for HIV

The combination of:

resource needs

+ countries' ability to generate its own resources together with other external funding received reflects key aspects when considering funding allocation

Model can be easily updated as new data become available



Acknowledgments

Funding for this research was provided by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

We are grateful for research assistance from Rodrigo Medinilla and comments from Sergio Bautista-Arredondo (INSP), and Todd Summers (BMGF)

Resource Needs data were provided by UNAIDS (not to be released at the country level).

