About IFKF:

The International Federation of Kidney Foundations (IFKF) is a unique global alliance aiming at promoting patient-centered kidney care and good kidney health around the world. IFKF advocates for more innovation in kidney care, more prevention and better access to treatment for all people suffering from kidney disease. IFKF gathers multiple stakeholders (patients, doctors, nurses, dieticians, social workers, health insurance companies, …) working at the international, national and local levels to represent and support patients, their families, carers and healthcare workers. We believe that the voice of our members can be amplified and heard more effectively by decision-makers when organizations are linked, can share best practices and practical strategies, are connected with resources and speak of one same and global voice.

Vision: Improvement in prevention, quality of life and health for all people with or at risk of kidney disease

Mission: Establish a global alliance amplifying the message of patients’ kidney health related stakeholders and support member organizations to attain our long term commitment.

IFKF strives to achieve its mission by:
- Developing advocacy and awareness-raising campaigns to influence decision and policy-makers
- Forging alliances and sharing best practices to drive and increase rate of change in kidney health
- Establishing and fostering new organizations to meet the IFKF mission in places that are lacking resources

Proposed strategic objectives:

1. Advocacy and Awareness - Leading the patient voice at a global level
   - Become a global leading advocate for all people affected by kidney disease and those at risk
   - Raise awareness about kidney disease. Keep momentum of WKD activities and extend its celebrations to a continuous all year round activity at national and regional levels

2. Building Infrastructure and Capacity – Launch, equip and enable local groups and organizations to develop public health policies, promote good kidney health and encourage early detection
   - Share best practices to help transfer expertise, experience, skills and resources in areas such as patient education, outreach, fundraising and other aspects of operating a successful local kidney group
   - Help establish new organizations/foundations to promote good kidney health in areas that are lacking resources

3. Building a Global Network – Establish and coordinate a global network to strengthen the voice and influence of people affected by kidney disease. Maximize IFKF impact by working together with relevant stakeholders
   - Become a strong network of kidney patients and carers
     - Grow and diversify IFKF membership
     - Create regional networks
     - Develop effective collaboration with all kidney health stakeholders

4. Sustainability - Become a sustainable organization acting for the best interests of its members
   - Strengthen IFKF financial, legal, and governance frameworks to increase its sustainability as a global organization
   - Ensure sustainable and diverse funding base
   - Establish key partnerships and alliances
   - Develop some effective, high quality and targeted communication plan and tools for both internal and external use
   - Commitment of all members and a pro-active role of council members