

ACCOUNTABILITY TO ADVANCE SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS: DELIVERING ON COMMITMENTS TOGETHER



**14th International Dialogue
on Population and
Sustainable Development**

PROGRAMME

Berlin | 10-11th November, 2016

GIZ House
Reichpietschufer 20
10785 Berlin

14th International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development

ACCOUNTABILITY TO ADVANCE SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS: DELIVERING ON COMMITMENTS TOGETHER

BACKGROUND



In September 2015, member states of the United Nations adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, which brought forward the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). These universal goals demand action by all stakeholders to achieve a world that is sustainable, peaceful and prosperous. Although not fully captured in the SDGs, sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) remain central to this vision. Experience in implementing previous goal sets related to SRHR, such as the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), have shown that reaching such goals is very challenging. The 2030 Agenda, with its focus on interdependency and inclusiveness, serves as a new guide to align efforts for the universal realisation of SRHR, more generally gender equality, and the right to health.

At the global level, the High Level Political Forum (HLPF) serves as the main instrument to follow-up and review the status of implementation of the 2030 Agenda. As agreed in the 2030 Agenda, the HLPF will work with the global SDG indicators that have been presented to the UN General Assembly in September of this year.

Furthermore, the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) and the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) have revised their methods of work in the past years in order to contribute to the follow-up and review of the SDGs at the HLPF. Both commissions are of high relevance for advancing SRHR.

The Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health was launched in September 2015 as a roadmap to achieve the health-related SDGs. The Global Strategy includes a Unified Accountability Framework (UAF), which is a mechanism to drive accountability for results, resources and rights, with the ambition to harmonise global efforts. The Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH) has been tasked with coordinating the implementation of the UAF.

Parallel to this, the UN Secretary General appointed an Independent Accountability Panel (IAP) with producing an annual "State of Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health" report. This report will provide the world with the best available evidence and an independent analysis of progress, with recommendations for how to accelerate realisation of the Global Strategy.

It still remains to be seen how the different global follow-up, and review frameworks will feed into each other, how they will relate to national and regional implementation strategies and review mechanisms, and if and how it can be ensured that the SRHR-related goals and targets are covered at the different levels.

The primary obligation to provide adequate social services and to ensure the protection, promotion and fulfilment of human rights, however, lies with governments. Good governance requires states to lay the groundwork for the implementation of development strategies by means of legislation, policies, budgets, information and service delivery in a range of areas. Thus, citizens should have the right and opportunity to demand transparency and hold their governments accountable through participation and advocacy in order to ensure that commitments of governments are implemented appropriately down to grassroots and community levels. Governments need to create and fund appropriate mechanisms to ensure the engagement of the civil society so that they can be held accountable.

OBJECTIVE



The overarching objective of the 14th International Dialogue is to exchange best practices from national, regional and global follow-up and review mechanisms, and to discuss how they can best be used for measuring progress in the realisation of SRHR in the context of the 2030 Agenda.

More specifically, we want to draw lessons learned by:

- Examining how existing accountability mechanisms have promoted or hindered the achievement of SRHR-related goals defined in e.g. the Programme of Action of the ICPD or the MDGs;
- Assessing existing national and regional accountability systems regarding their potential contribution to the follow-up and review of the SDGs;
- Addressing how national, regional and global accountability mechanisms can be harmonised across all levels to support the SDG follow-up and review framework.

Based on these lessons learned, the participants of the International Dialogue will jointly strategise on:

- How they – within their respective roles and responsibilities – can contribute to translating the 2030 Agenda into improved SRHR results;
- How they can support each other in doing so at the national and regional level while also taking into account the experiences from the national reviews at this year's HLPF;
- How meaningful participation and involvement of stakeholders in follow-up and review processes can be achieved;
- How the data and evidence base for the measurement of global and national indicators can be strengthened.

RELEVANCE



In light of the High Level Political Forum held in July 2016, the Independent Accountability Panel in place, the revised methods of work of CSW and CPD, and the SDG indicators presented at the UNGA in September, the 14th International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development provides a timely opportunity for stakeholders working in the realm of SRHR to identify what key follow-up and review mechanisms currently exist at national, regional and global levels, and what necessary actions should follow for advancing SRHR in the follow-up and review framework of the 2030 Agenda.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES



Through exchanging strategies between like-minded policymakers, experts and activists, the 14th International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development will make a contribution to the global agenda by setting out how to best advance SRHR through the 2030 Agenda. This will be enhanced by capitalising on the opportune timing, which allows shaping approaches to strengthen cross-regional alliances, drawing on current developments in global SRHR policy across different sectors and taking existing national accountability systems into account.

- Exchange, networking and collaboration between relevant stakeholders from governments, multilateral organisations, implementing agencies, civil society organisations, youth networks and the private sector enhanced;
- Understanding of follow-up and review mechanisms and of how to ensure that SRHR-related issues are adequately measured within the SDG follow-up and review framework improved;
- Recommendations and activities on the national, regional and global level to work jointly towards the successful implementation of the SRHR-related goals and targets of the 2030 Agenda formulated.

PROGRAMME

CONFERENCE DAY 1, November 10, 2016

Lessons learned so far: Reflections on existing SRHR-related and regional accountability mechanisms

Venue: ● GIZ House, Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin

- 09:30 a.m. Registration
- 10.00 a.m. **Opening Session**
Welcome
Inge Baumgarten, Head of Global Programmes Health, Education and Social Development
Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Germany
Klaus Brill, Vice President Global HealthCare Programs
Bayer Pharma AG, Germany
Introduction to the conference agenda by facilitators
- 10:30 a.m. **Keynote Session including Q & A**
Laura Londén, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director
United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), USA
- 11:00 a.m. Coffee Break
- 11:30 a.m. **Expert Talk followed by Q & A**
Spotlights on existing thematic and regional review mechanisms
Marianne Beisheim, Senior Associate Research Division on Global Issues
German Institute for International and Security Affairs, Germany
Emanuele Capobianco, Deputy Executive Director
Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH)
Ana Cristina González Vélez, Lead Doctor, Member of the Board of Managers
Global Doctors For Choice (GDC), Colombia
- 12:45 p.m. Lunch
- 01:45 p.m. **Rotating Discussion** introduction and preparation by facilitators
Reflections on existing regional and thematic accountability mechanisms for the achievement of SRHR-related goals
- 04:00 p.m. **Accountability Fair in the Town Hall**
- 05:00 p.m. End of Day 1, transfer to venue of public panel discussion

PUBLIC PANEL DISCUSSION

National voluntary reviews at the High Level Political Forum: First experiences with a focus on the health and gender goals

Venue: ● Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ),
Stresemannstraße 94, 10963 Berlin

06:00 p.m.

Opening Remarks

Thomas Silberhorn, Parliamentary State Secretary
Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany

06:20 p.m.

Panel Discussion

Moderated by **Monika Hoegen**, Journalist

Panellists:

Carmen Barroso, Co-Chair

Independent Accountability Panel for the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (IAP)

Harriet Ludwig, Deputy Head of Division, 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development; reducing poverty and inequality
Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany

Anita Nayar, Director
Regions Refocus, USA

Juan Antonio Perez III, Executive Director
Commission on Population, Philippines

07:50 p.m.

Closing Remarks

Tewodros Melesse, Director General
International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), United Kingdom

08:00 p.m.

Reception



The panel discussion will address these questions:

- What were the experiences with the process of the national voluntary reviews in 2016?
- How can the national voluntary reviews best be used to advance SDG implementation, esp. regarding health, gender and sexual and reproductive health and rights issues?
- What were challenges in preparing the report? What were lessons learned?
- What should governments, civil society and other stakeholders do differently for future reviews?

PROGRAMME

CONFERENCE DAY 2, November 11, 2016

Working together for greater accountability to advance SRHR: Strategies for better harmonisation and participation, and improved data quality

Venue: ● GIZ House, Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin

- 09:00 a.m. **Welcome**
Renate Baehr, Executive Director
DSW (Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung)
- 09:10 a.m. **Introduction to Day 2**
- 09:15 a.m. **Fishbowl Discussion on linking existing and new review mechanisms**
Stuart Halford, Senior Representative Monitoring and Evaluation Unit
Sexual Rights Initiative, Switzerland
Isabel Maina, Head Health Sector
Ministry of Health, Kenya
Mangala Namasivayam, Senior Programme Manager
Asian Pacific Resource and Research Centre for Women (ARROW), Malaysia
- 10:15 a.m. Coffee Break
- 10:30 a.m. **Open Space introduction and preparation by facilitators**
- 11:15 a.m. **First Round of Open Space**
- 12:30 p.m. Lunch
- 01:45 p.m. **Second Round of Open Space**
- 03:00 p.m. Coffee in Open Space Gallery
- 03:30 p.m. **Reflection on conference, recommendations for possible follow-up**
- 04:00 p.m. **Closing Remarks**
Marc Engelhardt, Director for Development and Climate
KfW Entwicklungsbank, Germany
- 04:10 p.m. End of Day 2
- 07:00 p.m. Farewell Dinner at ● conference hotel Scandic

HOW TO GET TO THE VENUE

For further information or questions
please contact **g+h communication**

Tel.: 030/236 246/ 02 or 03



GIZ House

Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin



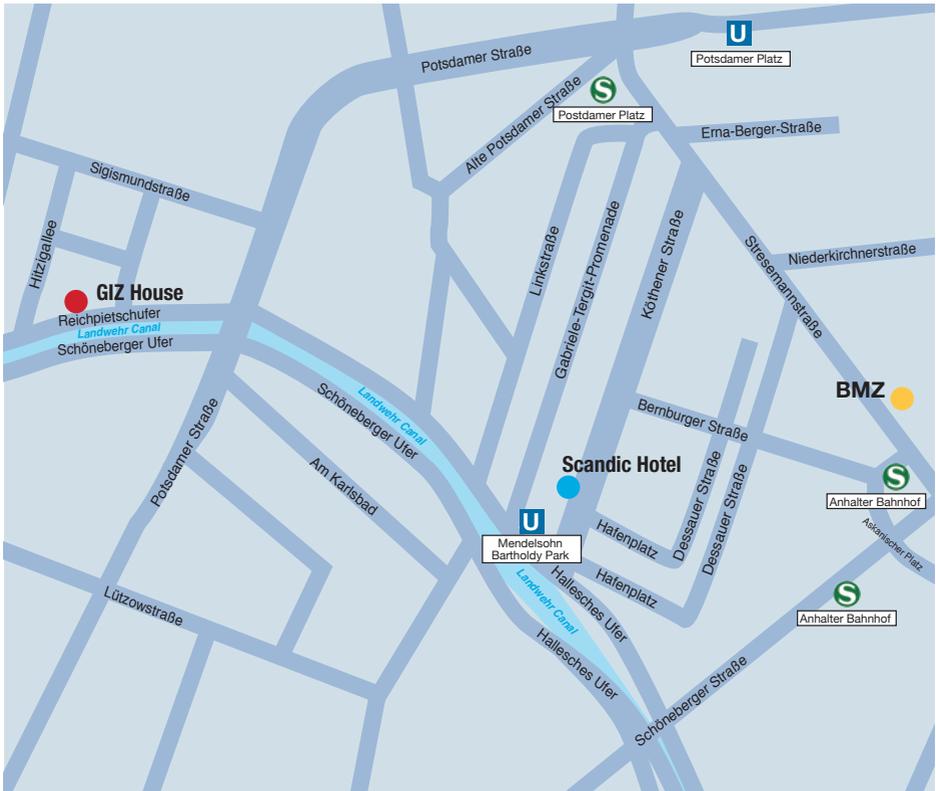
Scandic Berlin Potsdamer Platz

Gabriele-Tergit-Promenade 19, 10963 Berlin



BMZ – Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development

Stresemannstraße 92, 10963 Berlin



The International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development underlines the interdisciplinary importance of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and population dynamics as key factors in achieving international development goals such as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). The conference series is designed to facilitate the networking of national and international players and encourage the exchange of information and experience.

The International Dialogue is an annual, two-day conference taking place in Berlin, jointly organised by DSW (Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung), Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) and KfW Development Bank, in close cooperation with the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Bayer Pharma AG.



www.dsw.org



www.giz.de



www.ippf.org



www.kfw.de

in cooperation with



www.bayer.de



www.bmz.de