

# 15<sup>th</sup> International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development



## LEAVE NO-ONE BEHIND ON SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS



**PROGRAMME** Berlin

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GIZ House, Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin



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#### > BACKGROUND

Young people, people living with disabilities, and people living in fragile settings continue to be the least able to realise their sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), and are vulnerable to discrimination, violence and illness.

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development ambition to ‘leave no-one behind’ poses many challenges in a rapidly changing political landscape – this is especially true for SRHR. The Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), agreed upon by UN Member States as part of the 2030 Agenda, provide a universal framework and vision to achieve sustainable development worldwide. Yet, there are existing and emerging global social, political, and demographic trends which have a crucial impact on realising SRHR for all. These include the expectations and potential of the largest-ever generation of young people, and ongoing significant social and economic inequalities and discrimination against girls, young women and men, people living with disabilities, and people living in fragile settings (such as conflicts and crises).

Since the establishment of the Programme of Action of the ICPD and the Beijing Platform of Action in the 1990s, major strides have been made towards realising SRHR and the rights of women and girls at programmatic levels of development cooperation. The current political landscape, however, reveals an alarming picture: Hostile attitudes towards gender equality and bodily autonomy are growing; opposition to aspects of sexual and reproductive rights is on the rise; and Official Development Assistance (ODA) investments in SRHR are declining. Ultimately, this is undermining the human rights of girls, women and vulnerable groups, and will hinder the successful implementation of the SDGs.

During 2017’s High-Level Political Forum (HLPF) in New York in July, SDG 3 (health) and SDG 5 (gender equality) were under thematic review for the first time. The International Dialogue will provide a platform to reflect on this process, and to understand how the implementation status of SRHR is being dealt with. The enduring challenge persists: How to maintain momentum to ensure SRHR remains on the international agenda, while ensuring that related SDGs are reached at a national level – especially for hard-to-reach and vulnerable groups.

## ➤ OBJECTIVE

The 15<sup>th</sup> International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development will be a milestone in the process of understanding the state of play of SRHR, the ICPD, and how they relate to the realisation of the SDGs. The conference will focus specifically on the needs and rights of:

- Young people
- People with disabilities
- People in fragile settings.

The first day of the International Dialogue will focus on how to advance these issues within the UN system, through the High-Level Political Forum (HLPF), the Commission on Population and Development (CPD), the Human Rights Council (HRC), and the monitoring bodies of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD). The second day of the conference will focus on innovative solutions and concrete ways of making progress towards the SRHR-related SDGs for hard-to-reach and vulnerable groups. This part will focus on best practices and new approaches that are being implemented at the national level.

The 15<sup>th</sup> International Dialogue will bring together SRHR stakeholders from government, international organisations and implementing agencies, civil society, academia and the private sector. They can offer their expertise, knowledge, and vision on how best to embed, reach and realise SRHR for vulnerable and hard-to-reach groups in order to ensure that no-one is left behind.

In particular, the conference will achieve the following:

- Derive **shared learning** and best practices from national, regional and global perspectives on how to realise SRHR-related goals and targets for young people, people with disabilities, and people living in fragile settings,
- Identify the **main challenges** that will hinder the advancement of SRHR for the above groups under the SDGs,

- Recommend the most promising **'game-changing' practices and interventions** to promote equitable access to SRH services and realising SRHR,
- Look at **major opportunities** for advancing the 'leave no-one behind' vision as it relates to SRHR, including influencing the **international policy agenda**,
- Forge working partnerships, alliances, and networks between participants to **further SRHR in policies and practice**.

## ➤ RELEVANCE

The 2030 Agenda includes the promise to ensure progress and sustainable development while leaving no-one behind. Implementing this idea both through national policies and development cooperation, as well as international collaboration, requires a new way of thinking. This process is in its early stages, and the 15<sup>th</sup> International Dialogue will provide an important contribution.

## ➤ EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Exchange, networking and collaboration between relevant stakeholders from governments, multilateral organisations, implementing agencies, civil-society organisations, youth networks, academia, and the private sector,
- Concrete identification of key challenges currently hindering the realisation of SRHR for young people, people with disabilities, and people living in fragile settings,
- Accord/suite of recommendations on how to advance 'leave no-one behind' as it specifically relates to realising SRHR at national, regional and global level.



## PROGRAMME

### > CONFERENCE DAY 1, November 23, 2017

## Leave No-one Behind: How to Promote SRHR for Hard-to-reach and Vulnerable Groups through International Mechanisms

Venue: GIZ House, Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin

09:30 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>	
10:00 a.m.	<b>Opening Session Welcome</b>	<b>Andreas Proksch</b> Director General Sector and Global Programmes Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH, Germany
	<b>Opening Remarks</b>	<b>Klaus Brill</b> Vice President Global HealthCare Programs Bayer AG, Germany
	<b>Introduction to the Conference Agenda by Facilitators</b>	<b>Thomas Silberhorn</b> Parliamentary State Secretary Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany
10:30 a.m.	<b>Keynote Session Including Q &amp; A</b>	<b>Natalia Kanem</b> Executive Director United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), New York
11:00 a.m.	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
11:30 a.m.	<b>Expert Talk Followed by Q &amp; A Spotlights on the SRHR of Hard-to-reach and Vulnerable Groups</b>	<b>Sarah Keogh</b> Gutmacher Institute, USA
		<b>Silvia Quan</b> Advocate of the Persons with Disabilities Guatemalan Office of the Procurator for Human Rights Former Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, Guatemala
		<b>Sandra Krause</b> Director Women's Refugee Committee, Member of the Inter-Agency Working Group on Reproductive Health in Crises (IAWG), USA
12:45 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>	

- 01:45 p.m. **Rotating Discussion Introduction and Preparation by Facilitators**  
**Reflections on Role of International Mechanisms in the Promotion of SRHR**  
**for Hard-to-reach and Vulnerable Groups**
- 2:00 p.m. **1<sup>st</sup> Round**
- 2:30 p.m. **2<sup>nd</sup> Round**
- 3:00 p.m. **Coffee Break**
- 3:30 p.m. **3<sup>rd</sup> Round**
- 4:00 p.m. **4<sup>th</sup> Round**
- 4:40 p.m. **Wrap-up and Closing Remarks by Facilitators**
- 5:00 p.m. **End of Day 1**
- 7:00 p.m. **Arranged dinner for funded participants at AMRIT, Ebertstraße 14, 10117 Berlin**

## **> CONFERENCE DAY 2, November 24, 2017**

### **Best Practices and New Approaches for the Implementation** **of SRHR Related SDGs for Hard-to-reach and Vulnerable** **Groups at National Levels**

Venue: GIZ House, Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin

- 09:00 a.m. **Welcome** **Renate Baehr**  
Executive Director  
DSW (Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung), Germany
- 09:10 a.m. **Introduction to Day 2** by Facilitators
- 09:20 a.m. **Young Voices on Leaving No-one Behind** **Ana Rizescu**  
Coordinator YouAct  
YouAct, Romania
- Levi Singh**  
National Coordinator Sikyakwazi Youth Network  
Secretary General African Youth and Adolescent Network  
on Population and Development (AfriYAN), South Africa
- 10:00 a.m. **Poster Session Presenting Projects on SRHR for Hard-to-reach Groups**  
**Introduction and Explanations by Facilitators**
- 10:30 a.m. **1<sup>st</sup> Round**
- 11:20 a.m. **Coffee Break**

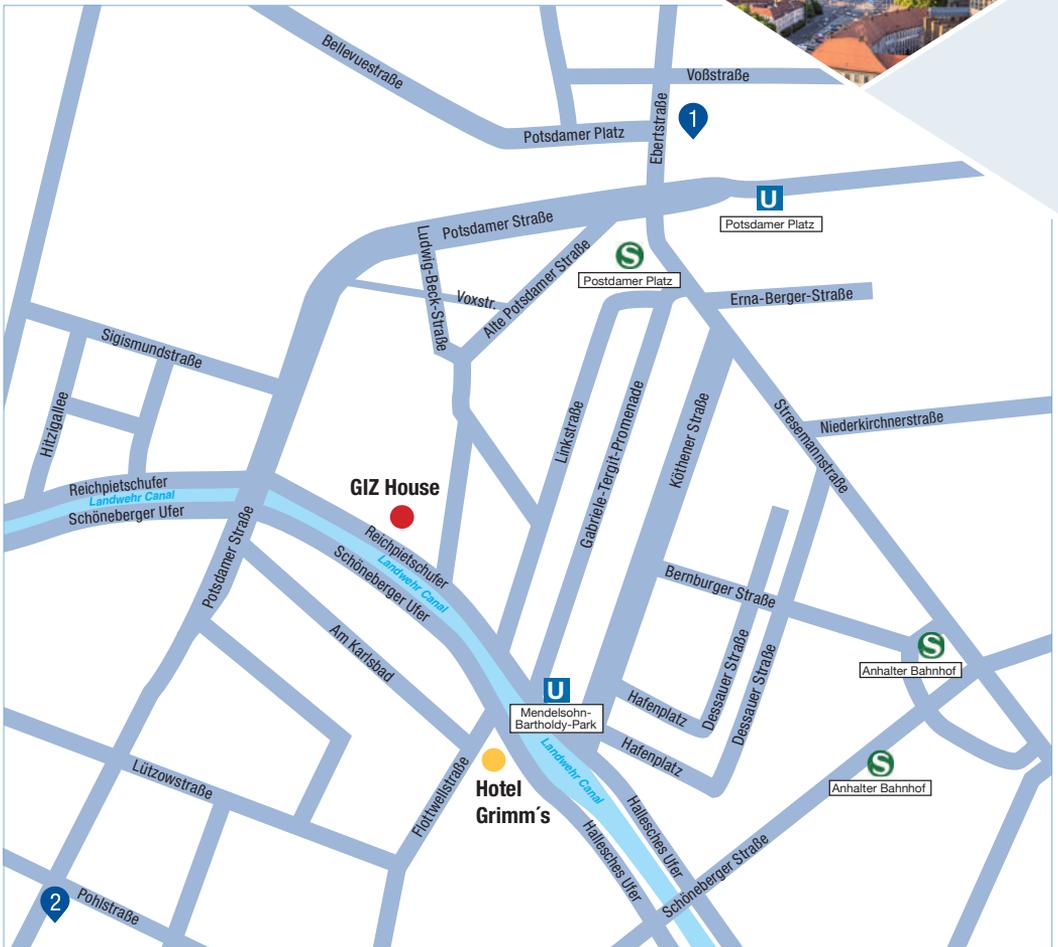
- 11:45 a.m. **2<sup>nd</sup> Round**
- 12:30 a.m. **Lunch**
- 01:45 p.m. **3<sup>rd</sup> Round**
- 02:30 p.m. **Coffee Break**
- 03:00 p.m. **Award Ceremony and Closing**
- 03:45 p.m. **Closing**

**Annika Calov**

Head of Division, Competence Centre Health,  
Sector Policy Unit Health and Education,  
KfW Development Bank

- 04:00 p.m. **End of Day 2**
- 07:00 p.m. **Farewell dinner for all participants at P103, Potsdamer Straße 103, 10785 Berlin**

# HOW TO GET TO THE VENUE



**GIZ House**  
Reichpietschufer 20, 10785 Berlin

**Hotel Grimm's**  
Flottwellstraße 45, 10785 Berlin

**1 Amrit Indian Restaurant**  
Ebertstraße 14, 10117 Berlin

**2 P 103 Mischkonzern**  
Breakfast, Vegetarian Food and Coffee Bar  
Potsdamer Straße 103, 10785 Berlin

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**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 Entwicklungsbank, in close cooperation with the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and Bayer AG.



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