Side event application / Formulaire de demande de réunion parallèle

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Concept

**Description of proposed side event, including objective, expected results, proposed programme and speakers* / Description de la réunion parallèle proposée, y compris les objectifs, les résultats attendus, l’ordre du jour et les orateurs* :**

**Objectives**

1. Showcase the intrinsic linkages between UHC, gender equality and health equity, including on universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and empowerment of women, girls, adolescents, youth and vulnerable populations;

2. Provide a global forum for women, girls, adolescents, youth and vulnerable populations to articulate their demands regarding their health and well-being;

3. Demonstrate the potential of citizen-led accountability processes to future implementation of WHO’s Programme of Work in relation to UHC, gender equality, SRHR and empowerment of women, girls, adolescents, youth and vulnerable populations.

**Background**

Building on the growing momentum around citizen-led accountability across the world, including the three Global Citizen Dialogue events held since 2015, this event brings national-level citizens and decision makers together to share best practices and demonstrate potential of citizen participation. It also provides a platform for an open dialogue between citizens, Member States and global health actors on UHC, gender equality, SRHR and empowerment of women, girls, adolescents, youth and vulnerable populations.

In 2018, the event will highlight vital lessons and recommendations resulting from recent citizens’ hearings (organized in Indonesia, Mali, Ghana and Philippines) and citizen participation initiatives taking place across the globe as part of a local-to-global feedback approach. It will also address if and how WHO’s new Programme of Work is tailored to respond to the needs of women, girls, adolescents, youth and vulnerable populations, within a human rights-based approach.

As countries continue their paths towards achieving Universal Health Coverage, we will show how citizen-led initiatives reflect the demand from women, children, adolescents, youth, health workers and communities for equal access to quality and respectful health services and their human rights to be fulfilled. It will demonstrate how the participation and empowerment of vulnerable groups can address structural drivers and root causes of gender inequalities, discrimination, human rights violations and lack of access to adequate and quality SRHR services, information and education.

**Expected Results**

The best practices gathered and key recommendations stemming from recent citizens’ hearings taking place around the world and the global event will inform World Health Assembly discussions around opportunities and challenges faced at the community level, while highlighting tools and pathways to the implementation of WHO’s Programme of Work. Key findings from the event will also be submitted to the UN Secretary-General’s Independent Accountability Panel for the updated Global Strategy for Women’s, Children’s and Adolescents’ Health (IAP)’s and other accountability touchpoints such as the UN High-level Political Forum.

**Proposed Programme and Speakers**
The event is organized to ensure meaningful participation of women, children, adolescents and youth. It will allow interaction, on an equal footing, between them and decision makers, including Member States representatives, UN Agencies and influential global experts. The format of the event has been conceived to ensure that participating citizens have the necessary opportunity to share their experiences and shape the discussions.

Potential Speakers:

Moderator – High-level Representative from Sweden and a Young Person Representative

Opening remarks: WHO High-level Representative

**Thematic Dialogue I**: Universal Health Coverage and Gender equality and empowerment of women, girls, adolescents and youth

- Citizens Hearings and Government Representatives from Mexico;
- Citizens Hearings and Government Representatives from Ghana;

**Thematic Dialogue II**: Universal Health Coverage and Universal access to sexual and reproductive health and rights

- Citizens Hearings and Government Representatives from Mali;
- Citizens Hearings and Government Representatives from the Philippines;

- Closing remarks: UNFPA High-level Representative

**Organizing Partners**

The event is co-organized by Board Members of the NGOs Constituency Group of the Partnership for Maternal, Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH) representing approximately 400 NGOs (International Planned Parenthood Federation, Save the Children Fund, White Ribbon Alliance and World Vision International) with support from the PMNCH secretariat.

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### Event details / détails de la réunion

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| Exact title of the meeting/Titre exact de la réunion: | 4th Annual Global Citizens Dialogue: Why women, children, adolescents and youth are central to advancing UHC and SRHR |

### Interpretation/Interprétation

Interpretation may be provided in the official languages and the estimated costs are as follows: 2 languages: 2561 CHF; 3 languages: 5123 CHF; 6 languages: 11953 CHF.

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- French/Français ☐
- Russian/Russe ☐
- Spanish/Espagnol ☐
- Chinese/Chinois ☐
- Arabic/Arabe ☐

Other language/autre langue: ☐
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*Badges/ Badges d’accès
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Les réunions parallèles sont réservées aux participants de l’Assemblée; Les orateurs de ces réunions doivent donc être choisis parmi ceux-ci.

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