

A 2010 DELEGATE'S GUIDE TO Women and AIDS

WOMEN'S RIGHTS HERE, RIGHT NOW

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ABOUT THE ORGANISATIONS INVOLVED

ATHENA

The ATHENA Network was created to advance gender equity and human rights in the global response to HIV and AIDS. Because gender inequity fuels HIV and HIV fuels gender inequity, it is imperative that women and girls – particularly those living with HIV – speak out, set priorities for action and lead the response. The Barcelona Bill of Rights, promulgated by partners at the 2002 International AIDS Conference, is ATHENA's framework for action. Its mission is to:

- ▲ Advance the recognition, protection and fulfilment of women's and girls' human rights, comprehensively and inclusively, as a fundamental component of the response to HIV and AIDS.
- ▲ Ensure gender equity in HIV-related research, prevention, diagnosis, treatment, care and development interventions based on a gendered analysis.
- ▲ Promote and facilitate the leadership of women and girls, especially those living with HIV, in all aspects of the response to HIV and AIDS.
- ▲ Bridge the communities around the world that are addressing gender, human rights, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and HIV.

www.athenanetwork.org

THE GLOBAL COALITION ON WOMEN AND AIDS

The Global Coalition on Women and AIDS (GCWA) is a worldwide alliance of civil society groups, networks of women living with HIV, women's organizations, AIDS service organizations and the UN system committed to strengthening AIDS programming for women and girls. The GCWA seeks to mobilize partners, decision-makers and society at large to advance the AIDS response for women and girls at the national level; influence the response through placing emerging or unaddressed issues firmly on global and national agendas; act by reaching out to a broad array of partners to gather the technical resources needed by countries and communities to address programming challenges; and empower women and girls to participate in and influence national responses and build accountability for results. It is

particularly committed to engaging women and girls living with HIV as core partners in shaping its advocacy. The GCWA advocates for the involvement of women and girls as decision-makers, contributors and implementers of action as well as beneficiaries of support.

www.womenandaids.net

UNIFEM

UNIFEM is the women's fund at the United Nations. It provides financial and technical assistance to innovative programmes and strategies to foster women's empowerment and gender equality. Placing the advancement of women's human rights at the centre of all of its efforts, UNIFEM focuses on reducing feminized poverty; ending violence against women; reversing the spread of HIV among women and girls; and achieving gender equality in democratic governance in times of peace as well as war.

UNIFEM brings gender equality and human rights perspectives to its work on women and HIV and AIDS, spearheading strategies that make clear links to underlying factors such as violence against women, feminized poverty and women's limited voice in decision-making. UNIFEM has contributed to integrating gender aspects into the plans and policies developed by national AIDS councils in more than 35 countries and regional programmes.

www.unifem.org

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INTRODUCTION

The theme of AIDS 2010, 'Rights Here, Right Now,' emphasizes: the central importance of protecting and promoting human rights as a prerequisite to a successful response to HIV; that concrete human rights measures need to be in place to protect those most vulnerable to and affected by HIV, especially women and girls, people who use drugs, migrants, prisoners, sex workers, men who have sex with men, and transgender persons; and the location of the conference in Vienna, chosen in part for its proximity to Eastern Europe and Central Asia, a region experiencing one of the fastest growing epidemics that is fuelled primarily by injecting drug use.

Similarly, we call for 'Women's Rights Here, Right Now' at AIDS 2010 with special attention paid to advancing gender equality and human rights as well as to strengthening the leadership and meaningful participation of women and girls, particularly the most affected, in the global response to HIV.

This guide has been prepared by the ATHENA Network, the Global Coalition on Women and AIDS (GCWA), and the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), in collaboration with the International AIDS Society, the Women's Networking Zone Partnership, and Women ARISE. The guide highlights sessions at the XVIII International AIDS Conference in Vienna that either address women's issues directly, or that are conducted or sponsored by organizations serving women's interests.

At the end of the guide, you will find the full programme of the Women's Networking Zone in the Global Village which will run parallel to the main Conference proceedings.

The International AIDS Conference is a critical opportunity to:

- ▲ Advance the leadership and meaningful involvement of women and girls, particularly those most affected by the epidemic, in all levels of the response;
- ▲ Promote dialogue and debate on sensitive and emerging issues and how to address these through research as well as in policies and programmes;
- ▲ Share challenges and best practices in the response to women and HIV, with a strong focus on the work being spearheaded by women living with HIV;
- ▲ Enable women to obtain the latest research and information on critical issues such as women-responsive measures to prevent vertical transmission, women-responsive approaches to harm reduction, and availability of and accessibility to women-friendly and controlled HIV/STI prevention methods such as the female condom;
- ▲ Raise the visibility of issues relating to HIV for women in Eastern Europe and Central Asia;
- ▲ Create fora where community members, advocates, policy analysts, decision-makers, service providers, and researchers can share and learn together;
- ▲ Create spaces for effective networking across regions, sectors, and disciplines as well as the strengthening of national, regional, and global networks; and
- ▲ Promote the exchange of experiences, abilities, and knowledge at the global level.

Please note that this guide was prepared in mid-June so we advise that you reference the full conference programme to identify any late changes or additions.

KEY RESOURCES FROM ATHENA, GCWA, AND UNIFEM FOR AIDS 2010

Global Coalition on Women and AIDS

www.womenandaids.net/Home.aspx

UNIFEM Gender and HIV/AIDS Web Portal

www.genderandaids.org/index.php

ATHENA Network www.athenanetwork.org

UNAIDS Agenda for Accelerated Country Action on Women, Girls, Gender Equality and HIV (2010) http://data.unaids.org/pub/Agenda/2010/20100226_jc1794_agenda_for_accelerated_country_action_en.pdf

UNAIDS Community Brief for the Agenda for Women and Girls (2010) http://data.unaids.org/pub/Agenda/2010/20100226_community_brief_for_the_agenda_for_accelerated_c_en.pdf

Transforming the National AIDS Response: Advancing Women's Leadership and Participation (2010) UNIFEM and ATHENA Network (Forthcoming).

Promoting Gender Equality in HIV and AIDS Responses: Making Aid More Effective Through Tracking Results (2009) www.unifem.org/materials/item_detail.php?ProductID=152

Together We Must! End Violence Against Women and HIV and AIDS (2009) UNIFEM and Action Aid International – USA Chapter. http://unifem.org/materials/item_detail.php?ProductID=157

Transforming the National AIDS Response: Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Women's Human Rights into the 'Three Ones' (2008) www.unifem.org/materials/item_detail.php?ProductID=115

10 Reasons Why Criminalization of HIV Exposure or Transmission Harms Women www.aln.org.za/downloads/10%20Reasons%20Why%20Criminalisation%20Harms%20Women.pdf

Women to Vienna and Beyond

www.womeneurope.net



SUNDAY, 18 JULY

09:00–11:00

Gender Gaps: Sex and Stigma

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 3

Understanding how gender affects HIV-related stigma will provide a unique opportunity for policy makers, programme managers, donors and people living with HIV to explore concrete avenues for addressing the key gender dimensions of the epidemic. Using a combination of data from a number of countries that have utilised innovative stigma tools including the People Living with HIV Stigma Index, some of these key questions will be highlighted in this interactive session.

Organizer: German BACKUP Initiative and International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)

Maternal and Child Health and HIV: Optimizing Care for Women and Children to Prevent Pediatric HIV

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 10

While there have been concerted global and country-level efforts to strengthen maternal and child health (MCH) services as part of the expansion of HIV services, levels of support and success have varied considerably. This session will identify areas for MCH and HIV linkages and integration, discuss challenges and barriers to linking and integrating these services, and explore the opportunities afforded by the current global guidance behind taking a woman-centered approach to improving MCH and preventing pediatric HIV.

Organizer: Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation

11:15–13:15

Women's and Girls' Issues at the Vienna Conference

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 10

Since 2009 IAWC has been working together with 35 other women's networks around the world creating the Women ARISE Coalition to increase the visibility and impact of the women's movement in the XVIII International AIDS Conference. As part of these activities, this Satellite Session aims to provide a space for thoughtful and strategic conversation around critical issues for women and girls related to the epidemic, organizing a common strategy during the Conference in order to improve the dissemination of the girls' and women's agenda in the Conference.

Organizer: International AIDS Women's Caucus (IAWC), FEIM, Women ARISE

The Global Context of SRH and HIV: Making Seamless Programmes and Services a Reality for PLHIV

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 9

This session will address the right of women living with HIV to choose safe motherhood and progress in getting global leaders to integrate programming. It will also provide advice to national leadership and programme managers for building collaborative SRH and HIV programmes and funding streams, and expanding access to young women.

Organizer: International AIDS Society, The David and Lucile Packard Foundation

13:30–15:30**The Provision of Comprehensive Services to Street Sex Workers in the Russian Federation****SESSION TYPE:** Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 2

This session aims to share experiences with comprehensive medical, social, and psychological services for sex workers in the Russian Federation, discuss challenges and barriers for sustainable model development, develop recommendations for overcoming barriers to establishing a referral system, and to develop recommendations to improve access to quality services for sex workers and their clients.

Organizer: Irkutsk Oblast Department of the All-Russian Public Organization Russian Red Cross, Municipal Institution Center for Preventive Support "Kompas"

Clever Dicks and FC2: Marketing FC2 Female Condoms to Men**SESSION TYPE:** Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 3

In this satellite session SUPPORT brings together a group of marketing experts from a range of private and public sector agencies to facilitate a workshop to develop a promotional campaign for targeting men with female condoms.

Organizer: SUPPORT

An Intergenerational Conversation: Does the Struggle for Realizing the Human Rights of Women Still Matter to Young Women?**SESSION TYPE:** Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 5

This session intends to create a dialogue among activists of different ages who are involved in HIV and women's rights activism to identify the opportunities and challenges in creating a unified movement and action towards this end. Participants will discuss the inherent power struggles across generations, the opportunities for learning from each other, and the possibilities for revitalizing the women's movement in the AIDS response.

Organizer: Ford Foundation, International Women's Health Coalition, World AIDS Campaign and World YWCA

A Positive Powerful Voice: HIV Positive Women's Leadership and Participation**SESSION TYPE:** Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 6

Far too few women have a seat in powerful decision-making mechanisms and too often the participation of women living with HIV and their networks is minimal and tokenistic. In order to move beyond rhetoric, it is important to address the obstacles HIV positive women face in advancing their leadership and participation in the HIV response and to ensure long-term and sustained commitments towards leadership development, training and resource allocation. Highlighted will be: initiatives focusing on HIV positive women's economic independence as a means to mitigate the impact of HIV on them; experiences of women living with HIV; and efforts to address the intersections between violence against women and HIV.

Organizer: United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM), World YWCA, ATHENA Network and United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Gender Programming and Practices: Practical Approaches for Integration with HIV

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 8

This panel will focus on the US Government's current strategy to address gender issues within the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR). In addition to giving an overall perspective on how gender is being incorporated into actual programming, there will be a special focus on addressing gender-based violence as a barrier to HIV prevention, treatment and care programmes. The panel will include concrete examples of their best practices.

Organizer: PEPFAR

15:45–17:45

HIV and Millennium Development Goals: Can We Do One Without the Other?

SESSION TYPE: Special Session

LOCATION: Session Room 9

DISCUSSANTS: Debework Zewdie (Chair); Gottfried Hirnschall; David Stuckler; Morolake Odetoyinbo; Jose Gomes Temporao; Sujatha Rao

Globally, AIDS is the leading cause of death for women of reproductive age and impacts on child mortality to a great extent. The global community has reached a critical juncture given that now, more than ever before, we have the knowledge, innovative technologies, and proven tools to achieve progress in global health. Adequate resources are required for a sustainable and comprehensive HIV response which maximizes efficiencies, ensures quality and that contributes to broader health and development outcomes. This session will provide an opportunity to critically examine interactions between HIV and other health MDGs. The session will help to inform

discussions at the UN General Assembly MDG Summit planned for September 2010.

How to Guarantee Women's and Girls' Sexual and Reproductive Rights in the HIV Response?

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Session Room 7

The human rights of women and girls, and particularly those living with HIV and AIDS, must be addressed and integrated as a cross-cutting, fundamental approach within HIV work in order to ensure that women and girls' sexual and reproductive rights are protected in the response to HIV. This important issue will be the main theme of the session. Within the broad spectrum of women's and girls' human rights, we will present and discuss some essential aspects that must be addressed to achieve this.

Organizer: International AIDS Women's Caucus (IAWC), Central and Eastern Europe Women's Network for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (ASTRA), Women ARISE

Universal Access for Women and Girls – 2010 a Year Not to Forget!

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 7

Considering that half of all people infected by HIV in the world are women, current and emerging global issues and trends that link the lack of adequate policies towards women to the AIDS pandemic must be addressed when analyzing government's limited achievements to meet the UNGASS-AIDS goals. This satellite session shall present experiences at country and regional levels regarding the UNGASS-AIDS monitoring process from the perspective of the interface between HIV and women's sexual and reproductive health and rights with broad civil society involvement.

Organizer: Gestos

SUNDAY, 18 JULY

Family-Centred Models of Prevention, Treatment and Care for Children Affected by HIV and AIDS, including Children in Especially Marginalized Groups

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 3

HIV clusters in families through horizontal and vertical transmission. Both HIV, as well as behaviours that place people at risk for HIV, frequently affect family members first and most directly. This session will therefore address a research agenda around families of men who have sex with men (MSM), family-centred approaches to PMTCT, and barriers to family-centred services for children of people who use drugs.

Organizer: The Coalition on Children Affected by AIDS

MONDAY, 19 JULY

11:00–12:30

Developing the Voice and Visibility of Women Living with HIV: From Isolation to Involvement

SESSION TYPE: Leadership and Accountability Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 4

DISCUSSANTS: Angelina Namiba (Facilitator)

The Workshop will provide an opportunity for women living with HIV to explore what specific leadership skills they need to develop within their social and cultural contexts/ situations. It will also enable women living with HIV to begin to develop a vision and to make a commitment to promote the rights of people living with HIV.

Organizer: Global Coalition on Women and AIDS

Improving Access to Pregnancy Planning and Reproductive Options for People Living with HIV through Evidence Based Policy Development and Advocacy

SESSION TYPE: Professional Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 6

The objectives of this workshop are to provide a comprehensive, multi-regional review of pregnancy planning and reproductive issues for people living with HIV (PLWHIV) including: the need for pregnancy planning and reproductive options for PLWHIV and their partners; barriers affecting access to pregnancy planning and reproductive services including human rights issues, lack of knowledge and lack of available services; current clinical evidence regarding pregnancy planning and reproductive options including methods to prevent horizontal transmission during conception and how

to develop programmatic interventions to improve access to pregnancy planning and reproductive services.

Our Bodies, Our Rights: Young Women's Forum on SRHR

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 8

Young women's leadership is central to addressing HIV. This Young Women's Forum on SRHR will be facilitated in two different sessions (at the beginning and end of the conference – see the follow-up meeting listed on Thursday, 22 July) to unite young women involved in the conference. The learning objectives for this forum are to impart skills around advocacy and how to have strategic and effective conversations with leaders and policy makers.

Male Participation in Prevention of Vertical HIV Transmission Programmes: Mobilizing Men to Protect Their Partners and Children from HIV Infection and Access HIV Care and Treatment

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 10

Male involvement in PMTCT and HIV care and treatment programmes plays an essential role in optimizing HIV programmes and health outcomes for families. This skills-building workshop will begin with an overview of evidence of the links between gender inequality and HIV, including how gender inequality increases women's vulnerability to HIV (especially during pregnancy when women are more physiologically vulnerable to HIV) and negatively impacts uptake of HIV prevention, testing, care and treatment services for women, children and men, particularly

services to prevent vertical HIV transmission. Building on an understanding of this essential background, the workshop will then take participants through a series of frameworks that can subsequently be adapted to their own settings, to help participants think through context-specific factors that perpetuate the spread of HIV and pose barriers to male involvement in PMTCT and HIV care and treatment.

13:00–14:00

Upholding the Rights of Sex Workers and Bar Hostesses in Kenya

SESSION TYPE: GV Presentation with Q&A

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

Violence against sex workers and bar hostesses in Kenya is widespread, perpetrated, legitimized and accepted by many. Constant violence from police in Kenya is linked to sex workers and bar hostesses experiencing loss of self-esteem and giving lower priority to HIV prevention over immediate concerns for safety. This project developed strategies to address law enforcement authorities' negative attitudes towards sex workers and bar hostesses. Advocacy, maintaining contact with local police and health officers, promotion of safer sex as part of the overall effort to promote their health and protect their human right has been carried out.

14:15–15:15

Diamonds: Documentary Film of Women Living with HIV in the Philippines, Vietnam, Cambodia and Malaysia

SESSION TYPE: Documentary

LOCATION: GV Video Lounge

A 25 minute film screening followed by a question and answer session with the author

of the book 'Diamonds' together with the lead actress from the film and from the sponsoring organization.

14:30–16:00

Addressing Risk for HIV among Female Sex Workers

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract

LOCATION: Session Room 5

DISCUSSANTS: Iyanthi Abeyewickreme (Co-Chair); Theodora Wi (Co-Chair); Ivana Bozicevic (Point Person); Shajy Isac; Kathleen N. Deering; Anna Deryabina; Marie-Claude Couture; Suzanna Francis

Discussants will address comprehensive approaches to prevention of HIV among sex workers in South, Southeast, and Central Asia, as well as in sub-Saharan Africa. Topics include condom use, increased risk of HIV among sex workers who use drugs, and HIV risk associated with intravaginal sex practices.

16:00–17:00

Sex, Cellulite and Large Farm Equipment: One Girl's Guide to Living and Dying

SESSION TYPE: Theatre

LOCATION: GV Main Stage

A one women performance based on the performer's experiences as a sex columnist, educator, performer, writer and activist. The performance will also touch on an arrest for obscenity, living with HIV, dating, disclosure, marriage, moving to the country, financial ruin, facing death, surviving menopause, visa and the Internal Revenue Service.

16:30–18:00

Prevention Now: Female Condoms and Tools for Use, Programming, and Advocacy for Universal Access

SESSION TYPE: GV Workshop

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

Female condoms are the only HIV, sexually transmitted infection (STI) and pregnancy prevention tool available for use today that is designed to be initiated by women. Despite their many benefits and advantages, female condoms remain largely underfunded, inaccessible, and underused because of a lack of political will and effective programming. This workshop will equip participants with the knowledge and skills to correctly use the female condom and with advocacy tools to urge donors and governments to invest in universal access to female condoms.

18:30–20:00

From Universal Access to the MDGs: Why Home-Based Care Matters

SESSION TYPE: GV Panel Discussion

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

This session will explore how community caregivers, home-based care organizations, NGO and donor partners have been working to achieve Universal Access in poor communities with little or no global attention. Community care and support is scarcely accounted for informal, funded AIDS responses or policy-making despite being a pillar of universal access. The session will increase the audience's understanding of how caregivers are currently working at the community level and supporting families to ensure access to prevention, treatment, care and support services; suggest solutions to the challenges faced by caregivers; and work out more effective coordination between the key stakeholders supporting caregivers.

18:30–20:30

Paving the Way Toward Virtual Elimination of Mother-to-Child Transmission of HIV

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Session Room 8

This satellite session aims primarily at providing an update on global commitment to virtual elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV; highlighting key policy and operational considerations in implementing comprehensive PMTCT services integrated with maternal health and family planning services, including the WHO 2009 guidelines on ARV drugs for treating pregnant women and preventing HIV infection in infants; presenting innovation to packaging PMTCT related drugs including ARVs (PMTCT Mother-Baby-Packs); sharing country experiences, including challenges in providing ARV drugs in the context of PMTCT, and achieving effective integration.

Organizer: UNAIDS

"We hear the thunder but we see no rain" – Funding for women: Rhetoric or Reality?

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 5

While progress has been achieved at global level in leveraging the necessary funds and mechanism to include gender in global donor priorities, there has been little translation to AIDS National Strategic Plans and budgets. The session will bring together donors, national AIDS commissions, civil society and people living with HIV to discuss a road-map for addressing these gaps at country level.

Organizer: Global Coalition on Women and AIDS.

Update from the Middle East and North Africa: Women and HIV

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 7

Although the epidemic is currently considered low prevalence in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA), a number of factors exacerbate the situation and will continue to contribute to the spread of HIV. One of the most important of these factors is the unique context of women and their vulnerability to HIV in this region. The session will focus on women and HIV in this neglected region. In addition to presentations on current research, focusing especially on women and gender issues presented by HIV, the session will allow for sharing experiences on assessment and the collection of data about vulnerability and HIV in the MENA region. Particular attention will be given to linking efforts on research and data collection and to facilitating discussion among participants.

Organizer: Global Network of Researchers on HIV/AIDS in the Middle East and North Africa (GNR-MENA)

TUESDAY, 20 JULY

07:00–08:30

An Empowerment Approach to HIV Prevention at Scale: Lessons from Pathfinder International, Maharashtra, India

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 5

The session will present an empowerment approach through structural intervention that demonstrates results in a large scale HIV prevention project with nearly 20,000 female sex workers and men having sex with men in Maharashtra. Reaching and mobilizing high-risk communities and enhancing their capacity to implement structural interventions are instrumental in raising their collective identity, rights and agency (choice, control, autonomy, and power) beyond intervention. Evidence from Pathfinder's work suggests that it positively contributes to HIV prevention behavior resulting in declining trend of HIV epidemic in the Indian state of Maharashtra.

Organizer: Pathfinder International

WANTED: Comprehensive Solutions for all Women

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 6

Given that HIV disproportionately affect women and girls in certain regions of the world, a gender sensitive response must invest in changing the social, cultural and economic factors that put women and girls at risk. YWCAs are ideally positioned to provide safe and inclusive, non-judgemental and confidential spaces for women and girls to discuss and disclose challenges they face in SRHR, HIV and VAW.

Organizer: WorldYWCA

09:00–10:30

Plenary

SESSION TYPE: Plenary

LOCATION: Session Room 1

DISCUSSANTS: Jack Whitescarver (Chairperson); Annie Lennox (Chairperson); Jacob Gayle (Chairperson); Anthony Fauci; Everjoice Win; Aaron Motsoaledi

This plenary will include an award presentation for the Women, Girls and HIV Investigator Prize, and a presentation on violence against women and girls by Everjoice Win.

11:00–12:30

Integrating Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights and HIV: Lessons from the Field

SESSION TYPE: Symposium

LOCATION: Session Room 2

DISCUSSANTS: Maria Antonieta Alcalde (Moderator); Marieta de Vos; Drasko Kostovski; Elizabeth Castillo; Dudu Simelane

At the International Conference on Population and Development in Cairo in 1994, governments worldwide agreed that sexual and reproductive health and rights include HIV services. In the context of the HIV epidemic, full respect for all people's sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) is clearly fundamental and special attention to the most vulnerable groups imperative. Women, girls, sex workers, PLWHA, LGBT individuals and other key affected populations often face sexual and gender-based violence and SRHR violations, with undeniable consequences for the spread of HIV and provision of adequate care and treatment.

11:00–12:30**Social Sciences and Interventions:
Putting Theories into Practice****SESSION TYPE:** Oral Abstract Session**LOCATION:** Session Room 9**DISCUSSANTS:** Robert Carr (Co-Chair); Alice Welbourn (Co-Chair); Deanna Kerrigan; Lucy Maikweki; John Jemmott; Enugu Ajay Kumar Reddy

Discussants will cover the following topics: The Encontros project: a successful multi-level STI/HIV intervention to improve condom use, reduce sexually transmitted infections, and change the social environment among sex workers in Brazil; Ten years of condom social marketing: improving results in Kenya through behavior change communication; Reductions in sexual risk behavior among African American HIV serodiscordant heterosexual couples: findings from a multi-site randomized controlled trial; and Improving access to care and treatment services for children affected by HIV and AIDS in Andhra Pradesh, India.

13:00–14:00**Meet the Plenary Speaker****SESSION TYPE:** Meet the Plenary Speaker**LOCATION:** GV Session Room 1**Update on Microbicides****SESSION TYPE:** Special Session**LOCATION:** Session Room 7**DISCUSSANTS:** Tim Farley (Chair); Gita Ramjee; Quarraisha Abdool Karim; Salim Abdool Karim; Sheena McCormack

This session will provide an update of the current state of microbicide development. Speakers will provide updates on microbicide development, safety and efficacy data from

CAPRISA 004 and discuss implications of the CAPRISA 004 trial results for the microbicide and Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) field.

13:00–14:30**Women IDUs: Why so Many
Barriers When There are so Many
Needs?****SESSION TYPE:** GV Workshop**LOCATION:** GV Session Room 2

This workshop will explore barriers to HIV treatment and care, substitution treatment, the provision of harm reduction services as well as the stigma and discrimination that women face in healthcare settings (including closed settings) based on HIV status. The session will be facilitated by women IDUs facing difficulties accessing the integrated services they need. Session participants will be asked to write down their stories, identify barriers to services and discuss the special needs that IDU women face in accessing optimal treatment and care.

14:30–18:00**Criminalisation: A Thorn in the Side of
Effective Prevention, Treatment and
Care Programming****SESSION TYPE:** Professional Development
Workshop**LOCATION:** Mini Room 6

Combining experiences from southern Africa and Eastern Europe, this workshop will focus on the impact of laws that criminalise HIV transmission, sex work, same sex sexual relationships and drug use on the response to HIV. Participants will be provided with an overview of criminal law provisions that act as barriers to an effective HIV response and will be afforded an opportunity to interact with other participants to develop strategies and innovative ideas for advocating for the removal of these punitive laws.

Holding Leaders Accountable: Are Governments Fulfilling Their Commitments? A Discussion on How to Assess the Results and Start Improving the HIV Response for Women

SESSION TYPE: Leadership and Accountability Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 9

Globally, HIV is the leading cause of death and disease in women of reproductive age. In the 2001 Declaration of Commitments on HIV/AIDS, all UN member states committed to a set of time-bound targeted actions to empower women to protect themselves from HIV infection and to promote and protect their rights. Since there is a 2010 deadline for meeting these, it is essential to reflect on what has been achieved so far and to discuss what is still missing in the response to women. The aim of this workshop is to review how well governments respond to the specific needs and vulnerabilities of women in the context of the AIDS epidemic.

Safer Feeding for HIV-Exposed Children: How to Integrate Infant Feeding Into Community-Based HIV Prevention Activities

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 10

During this skills building workshop, facilitators from the Infant & Young Child Nutrition Project and the Society for Women and AIDS in Kenya will lead group discussions, demonstrations, and role plays to help participants understand how to support HIV-positive mothers to practice safer infant feeding to prevent malnutrition and improve HIV-free survival of their children. The workshop will focus on integrating infant feeding promotion into community-based HIV prevention activities.

Activities and participatory discussions will cover misconceptions about breastfeeding within the context of HIV, advantages of exclusive breastfeeding, how to overcome common breastfeeding challenges, and appropriate complementary feeding.

Facilitators will provide helpful resources and accurate messages. Participants will have an opportunity to plan how they will integrate infant feeding support into their own programmes.

16:30–18:30

Law on The Street: Reforming Police Practice Towards Sex Workers and People Who Use Drugs

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 5

DISCUSSANTS: Pavlo Skala (Co-Chair); Alexander Zelitchenko (Co-Chair); Rachel Thomas; Tim Rhodes; Ranjan Dwivedi; Khurram Shahzad

Discussants will address strategies for preventing police abuse against sex workers, police violence as a barrier to HIV prevention, leveraging police command structures to support MARP, and the role of police in shaping the legal environment for female sex work in Pakistan.

National Programme Design for Mothers and Children

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 6

DISCUSSANTS: Nigel Rollins (Co-Chair); Chewe Luo (Co-Chair); Kedar Mate; Norbert Forster; Wainings Manda; Malega Constance Kganakga; Nadine Shema

This session will cover South Africa's accelerated response to mother-to-child transmission of HIV, the impact of early infant diagnostic testing for HIV exposed infants

in Namibia, the effectiveness of a re-testing protocol to assure quality DNA PCR testing for early infant diagnosis (EID) in Malawi, the national surveillance system of maternal orphans in South Africa, and HIV-free survival at 9-24 months among children born to HIV infected mothers in the National Programme for the prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT) of HIV in Rwanda: a household survey.

17:00–18:30

HIV and the Family: How Communities Can Improve Prevention, Care and Treatment

SESSION TYPE: GV Presentation with Q&A

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

This forum explores how communities can help take PMTCT, pediatric care and treatment to new levels of success. Integrating HIV services and reproductive health, scaling up PMTCT, implementing targets for longer-term care, adopting recent changes to breastfeeding guidance increasing early infant diagnosis – these are all challenges that demand the involvement and support of affected communities. This Forum is your opportunity to hear from leading figures in policy, science and community fields. You can debate with them the role that communities already play in PMTCT and pediatric treatment and care, and how that can be encouraged and enhanced.

18:30–20:00

Sexual and Reproductive Health and HIV Integration: Making it Work for Everyone!

SESSION TYPE: GV Workshop

LOCATION: GV Session Room 1

What do we mean by integration? Where are the challenges in reaching integration? This workshop will address such questions about sexual and reproductive health (SRH) and HIV integration, which have generated division, tension and even competition between different movements in the HIV and AIDS response. Women activists and SRH experts from Latin American Countries will discuss the current state of integration of SRH and HIV services at country and community levels, addressing concerns, resistance, and challenges as well as opportunities for success. Together participants will produce concrete proposals and strategies on how to make integration work for diverse groups, especially women – including women living with HIV.

18:30–20:30

Making it Happen: Revising National Policies to Reflect Changes in WHO Recommendations for Preventing Vertical Transmission of HIV

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Session Room 7

In 2009, WHO released revised recommendations concerning prevention of vertical transmission of HIV. Adapting national policies in accordance with the revised WHO recommendations will result in substantial changes to existing programmes and services. This provides a momentous opportunity to increase the global impact of HIV prevention programmes. The panel, made up of Ministry of Health leadership

from three countries, WHO, and global experts, will review the justifications for the recommendation revisions, discuss common themes around the adaptation and implementation processes, and highlight the work of governments to revise and implement national policies.

Organizer: The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation

Sex Work Legislation: Solution or Problem?

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 2

Law affects sex work practices and risk in multiple ways. Across the world, laws regulating sex work reflect contesting ideologies, political priorities and policy interests. Common law countries do not criminalize sex work per se but restrict its practice by prohibiting brothels, living on earnings of sex work, procuring and soliciting. Countries like Netherlands, Germany and Austria license brothels and tolerate 'red light' zones. Still others, like Sweden penalize the purchase of sexual services while decriminalizing women selling sex. Internationally, the adoption of the protocol to prevent, suppress and punish trafficking in persons, especially women and children in 2000 has put pressure on countries to introduce overbroad penal measures, which, often tend to penalize voluntary, adult sex work.

Organizer: Lawyers Collective HIV/AIDS Unit

19:00–20:00

Community Run Advocacy Groups as a Tool to Fight HIV. The Inclusive Approach of the French Sex Workers Union STRASS (Syndicat du Travail Sexual)

SESSION TYPE: GV Presentation with Q&A

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

STRASS has 300 members which make it the biggest sex worker's union in Europe. We want to share this experience with other sex workers activists in order to fight against HIV among our community and be recognized as prevention actors. We will introduce the different strategies STRASS adopted to become a large union, representing an important diversity of sex workers communities and present its success. In this session we want to provide a platform for exchange with other sex workers organizations in the fight against HIV among sex worker's communities.

WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY

07:00–08:30

Gender Inequities and HIV among Women Who Inject Drugs: Next Generation Responses for Research, Programmes, and Policy

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite

LOCATION: Mini Room 1

In general, multiple inequities exist for women globally that increase their vulnerability to HIV. Female drug users face a multitude of complex demands from relationships to cultural expectations that keep them in risky situations. This session brings together researchers, programme implementers, and policy advocates from around the world to raise awareness of these issues and discuss potential solutions. The speakers will discuss the following issues: Epidemiological trends globally in injection drug use and HIV among women; Determinants of HIV risk and barriers to care and treatment access among female IDUs; The burgeoning injection drug use and HIV epidemic in Africa; Outcomes from an adapted woman-focused intervention; Special issues related to pregnancy; Policy advocacy for female IDUs.

Organizer: RTI International

11:00–12:00

Women's Rights Advocacy: Between Consultation and Co-optation

SESSION TYPE: GV Debate

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

This session will explore women's rights advocacy and accountability monitoring related to HIV, with a particular emphasis on struggles all of our movements face: when must we compromise in our agendas in order to make gains? Are our 'issues' being diluted,

or co-opted by institutions, movements, or even ally activists? Are we choosing which/whose rights to defend and which/whose rights to abandon in order 'to succeed'? Our goal is to better understand the landscape for and gaps in women's rights advocacy and to strengthen solidarity and collaboration to achieve gender equality goals.

11:00–12:30

Access to Treatment and Right to Health

SESSION TYPE: Symposium

LOCATION: Session Room 7

DISCUSSANTS: Ravinia Cozier (Point Person); Jorge Delgado; Ernest Hopkins; Andrew Hunter; Anastasia Solovyeva; Nelson Musoba

In recent years there have been several attempts at trying to find the right systems to achieve universal access for treatment and care. There is also the realization that many problems associated with access may go beyond a building and a system; they involve fighting stigma and having models available to treat our diverse societies. Having access to care and treatment can mean the difference between dying and having a second chance at life. This session will engage our speakers with you, the audience on ways to speak out and speak up for your right to have care and treatment available for all. No matter who you are or what you do accessing good care and treatment is your right. The speakers will discuss their roles as advocates, users of systems, and how they have collaborated with others to make a difference in policy, treatment and care in parts of Africa and Asia, Russia, Puerto Rico, and the United States of America.

Applying the Criminal Law to HIV Transmission: Is This What Women Really Need?

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 2

More than 20 countries in sub-Saharan Africa have passed legislation that criminalises HIV transmission or exposure. Though promoted as key to addressing women's vulnerability to HIV, these laws in fact threaten the health and human rights of women in the region. This workshop will make HIV criminalisation issues accessible for participants. By the end of this workshop, participants will: have a better understanding of laws in place that criminalise HIV transmission and of the impact of these laws on women; be able to name and discuss 10 reasons why criminalisation of HIV transmission or exposure harms women; and identify advocacy strategies to address these laws.

Providing Leadership on Critical HIV Issues: An Appeal by and to Members of Parliament

SESSION TYPE: Symposium

LOCATION: Session Room 9

DISCUSSANTS: Petra Bayr (Co-Chair); Mmbwavi Mwali Inviolata (Co-Chair); Hendrietta Bogopane Zulu; Sunil Pant; Libby Davies; Monica Xavier

Panelists will address the following topics: why members of parliament should oppose criminalization of HIV transmission; why disclosure of HIV status remains difficult for MPs and how MPs could be supported to safely disclose and provide leadership as and for persons living with HIV; why parliamentary leadership on harm reduction and the rights of people who use drugs is important, what barriers exist and how they can be overcome; why leadership on women's rights in the context of HIV, and on SRHR is important, what barriers exist and how they can be overcome.

Improving Performance of PMTCT Programmes

SESSION TYPE: Oral Poster Discussion

LOCATION: Mini Room 5

DISCUSSANTS: James McIntyre (Co-Chair); Jimmy Kolker (Co-Chair); Tracy Swan (Co-Chair); Yassir Abduljewad Ahmed; Monique van Lettow; Monica Nolan; Laura Ferguson

This session will address the following topics: Reconnecting prevention-of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT); Addressing PMTCT gaps through a systematic process improvement approach; Uptake and outcomes of a PMTCT programme for 382 mother-child pairs in Zomba district, Malawi; Promoting client retention during PMTCT and follow-up care: lessons learned through active client follow up at mothers2mothers sites in Kenya and South Africa; Linking women who test HIV positive in maternity services to HIV care and treatment services in Kenya.

14:30–16:00

Ensuring Safety, Security and Autonomy: Why We Must Overcome Gender Based Violence

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 9

DISCUSSANTS: Neelanjana Mukhia (Co-Chair); Alice Welbourn (Co-Chair); Charlotte Watts; Michaela Leslie-Rule; Sin How Lim; Anna Roberts; Lisa Messersmith

Discussants will cover the following topics: Preventing HIV by preventing violence: global prevalence of intimate partner violence and childhood sexual abuse; The language of love: Tanzanian women define intimacy, sexuality and violence in the 21st century; Childhood sexual abuse, gay-related victimization, HIV infection and syndemic productions among men who have sex with men: findings from the Multicenter AIDS Cohort Study (MACS); A global examination of violence in the lives

of female injection drug users; Addressing gender-based violence and the reproductive health needs of women living with HIV in Vietnam: an evaluation of interventions to improve health and social services.

14:30–18:00

Practical Tools: How Positive Women Can Get Funding from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 5

DISCUSSANTS: Shannon Kowalski (Facilitator)

Women and girls have specific HIV prevention, treatment, care and support needs, yet few country proposals to the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria include programmes to address them. To create change, positive women's networks and organizations working on women's health and rights need to be more deeply involved in developing Global Fund proposals. This workshop will introduce participants to the Global Fund and share practical tools for getting funding for programmes for women and girls.

15:30–16:30

Caused by the Refraction – Screening and Discussion with the Film Maker and a Sex Worker Organizer from Myanmar

SESSION TYPE: Documentary

LOCATION: GV Video Lounge

In this session the APNSW film 'Caused by the Refraction' documenting the issues and struggles of Burmese sex workers will be shown. This will be followed by a discussion with Kaythi Win, a founder of the Burmese sex workers movement and Chutchai Kongmont

an activist film maker. They will discuss the issues of organizing sex workers in such a restricted environment, and the role of film and new media in strengthening networks.

16:00–17:30

State Pimping: Young Sex Workers, State Custody, and Universal Access to HIV and AIDS Services

SESSION TYPE: GV Panel Discussion

LOCATION: GV Youth Pavilion

Panelists, including young sex workers, will present policy guidance on providing rights-based universal access to HIV prevention, care, treatment and support for young people in the sex industry, especially for those under the 'age of majority'. Whether or not young people trade sex by choice, circumstance or coercion, current policies around the forced 'rehabilitation', incarceration and mandatory reporting of young people in the sex industry only compound the special vulnerabilities of young women and men, including transgender persons, to HIV, exploitation and violence.

16:30–18:00

Gender Inequality and Sexuality: New Solutions for Old Problems?

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 3

DISCUSSANTS: Siphwiwe Florence Hlophe (Co-Chair); Mabel Beatriz Bianco (Co-Chair); Joy Lovelet Crawford; Paisan Suwannawong; Elizabeth Teffo-Menziwa; Svetlana Saduakasova; Tammy L. MacLean

This session will cover the following topics: Protecting the sexual and reproductive health and rights of women living with HIV in Jamaica; research and advocacy to ensure health and HIV services for HIV-positive women in Chiang Mai women's prison;

traditional leaders response to sexual gender based violence in South Africa; development of user-friendly HIV prevention services for former women inmates in Taldykorgan, Kazakhstan; and identifying barriers to treating rape in Eastern DR Congo: increasing support to local NGOs as a means to improve post-rape care.

Managing Multiple Identities: Bridging Populations

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 5

DISCUSSANTS: Eric Fleutelot (Co-Chair); Barbara de Zalduondo (Point Person); Sandeep Mane; Thomas L. Patterson; Sannia Sutherland; Lisa Maher; Vanphanom Sychareun

Discussants will address the following topics: understanding the vulnerabilities and associated HIV risks of Indian men having sex with men who are married to women; which male clients are having unprotected sex with female sex workers and with their wives?; a mechanism to improve risk perception among Jamaica's MSM population; amphetamine-type stimulant use and HIV/STI risk behavior among young female sex workers in Phnom Penh, Cambodia; and concurrent multiple health risk behavior among adolescents in the Luangnamtha Province, Lao PDR.

Antiretrovirals During Pregnancy and Breastfeeding: Importance of Surveillance

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 9

DISCUSSANTS: Achara Teeraratkul (Co-Chair); Nathan Shaffer (Co-Chair); Ying-Ru Lo (Co-Chair); Lynne Mofenson; Nathan Ford; George Siberry; Vani Vannappagari; Karen Beckerman

This session will cover the following topics: Overview on ARVs during pregnancy and breastfeeding; importance of surveillance and implications for developing countries; Safety

of efavirenz in first-trimester of pregnancy: a systematic review and meta-analysis of outcomes from observational cohorts; Safety of tenofovir use during pregnancy: associations with low birth weight and early growth in HIV-exposed uninfected infants; Monitoring birth defects among HIV-positive, ART exposed pregnant women: 20 years of ARV pregnancy registry data; Preterm birth, low birth weight and fetal ARV exposure: Gestational age and birth weight data from 10,022 singleton live births reported to the Antiretroviral Pregnancy Registry from 1989 to 31 January 2009.

17:00–18:30

Fighting Gender Stereotypes in Order to Overcome the HIV/AIDS Pandemic in Central and Eastern Europe

SESSION TYPE: GV Panel Discussion

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

This panel discussion will involve representatives of the Central and Eastern European Womens Network for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (ASTRA). The discussion will be an opportunity to assess how specific social and economic contexts impact on the demand, access, use and quality of health services and programmes for women living with HIV. Attention will be drawn to the human rights' role in shaping the response to HIV. The panel will discuss the following topics: The participation of affected communities and non-discrimination in shaping and delivering policies and programmes; Gender mainstreaming strategies to mitigate the effects of HIV-related problems for women; The role of transformative planning and behavioral changes in addressing gender inequality and HIV.

18:00–19:30**Improving Access to Pregnancy Planning and Reproductive Options for PLHIV Through Evidence-Based Policy Development and Advocacy****SESSION TYPE:** GV Workshop**LOCATION:** GV Youth Pavilion

The increased life expectancy and improved life quality of people living with HIV (PLHIV) in some regions and the fact that globally many PLHIV are of reproductive age has led to the consideration of issues related to safe pregnancy planning and other reproductive options. Despite the intentions and desires of many PLHIV to have children there remains a scarcity of safe pregnancy planning, conception, fertility and other reproductive options. Policies, guidelines, resources and access to these services vary amongst regions. The overall objectives of this workshop are to provide a comprehensive, multi-regional review of pregnancy planning and reproductive issues for PLHIV including current research and best practices from a variety of stakeholders.

18:30–20:30**Policing Sex and Sexuality: The Role of Law in HIV****SESSION TYPE:** Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 9

Happy, healthy and safe sex may not immediately come to mind as one of the cornerstones of international law and state obligations to promote human rights; nor as associated with criminal prosecutions and policing sexuality. The debate style session will explore the role of the law – including criminal, antidiscrimination, human rights and public health law – and how it can both facilitate and impede national efforts to address HIV.

Organizer: International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF)

THURSDAY, 22 JULY

07:00–08:30

From Training to Transformative Leadership: Building a Woman-Centered HIV Response in Africa, Asia and the Americas

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 9

Although the ‘feminization of AIDS’ is part of most government and donor lexicons, this awareness has yet to be translated into significant numbers of women in decision-making roles related to HIV policy, funding and programmes. This session presents lessons learned from a cutting edge leadership programme that has empowered women globally to advocate for a women-centered approach to HIV. Presenters will discuss how they have applied their learning to their work with teachers, ex-offenders, sex workers and others.

Organizer: The Centre for Development and Population Activities (CEDPA)

Building the Leadership Capacity of Positive Women through Networks

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 6

In communities around the world women living with HIV are uniting to form robust positive women’s networks, run for and by positive women in response to an unmet need. Positive women’s networks have three important foci. One is the mutual support and improvement of the quality of lives of women living with HIV, two, capacity building to prepare members for leadership roles to inform public policy in areas impacting the rights of positive women nationally and internationally and three, knowledge transfer and sharing advocacy strategies. While these networks and their partnering organizations

share a common vision, there is need to find synergies among networks to allow agendas to move forward positively and constructively.

Organizer: International Community of Women Living with HIV/AIDS (ICW Global)

09:00–10:30

Thursday Plenary

SESSION TYPE: Plenary**LOCATION:** Session Room 1

DISCUSSANTS: Sujatha Rao (Chairperson); Jeffrey L. Sturchio (Chairperson); Sandra Elisabeth Roelofs (Chairperson); Carlos Caceres; Elaine J. Abrams; Meena Seshu

The plenary will include an award presentation for the IAS/CCABA Prize for Excellence in Research Related to the Needs of Children Affected by AIDS as well as presentations on Combination HIV Prevention: What’s New?; Vertical Transmission; and A Living Experience of the Struggle for Rights Jonathan Mann Memorial Lecture.

10:30–11:20

The Positive Ladies Soccer Club

SESSION TYPE: Documentary**LOCATION:** GV Video Lounge

A group of HIV-positive women in one of Zimbabwe’s poorest townships decide to form a soccer team in order to compete in a tournament. Laughed at in the beginning they want to fight stigma by proving to everyone that they can win the tournament’s trophy. The film aims to give courage to people living with HIV and shows that they can do what anybody else can do – if treatment is available.

11:00–12:30

Advocating for Women-Centered HIV Prevention Technologies and Environments

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: Mini Room 8

Women and adolescent girls are acutely affected by HIV and AIDS. Despite this, woman-initiated and controlled prevention options remain largely inaccessible or still in development. In addition to prevention technologies, structural factors such as gender inequality, economic security, and public policy also shape whether women can exercise agency in protecting themselves. Civil society advocacy that targets local and international decision-makers is critical for expanding access to existing and future prevention options, and policy advocates and programme practitioners have important and complementary roles in advocacy efforts. In this workshop, experienced facilitators will equip participants with skills and strategies to advocate for structural HIV prevention interventions and access to the full range of woman-initiated prevention options.

LBT: Gender and Sexualities

SESSION TYPE: Symposium

LOCATION: GV Session Room 1

DISCUSSANTS: Jennifer Gatsi (Point Person); Gloria Careaga (Moderator); Nadine Mouawad; Eva Lee; Rosario Mancillas; Victor Mukasa

The HIV epidemic oftentimes links women's risk to HIV only during motherhood, as recipients of heterosexual relationships and disease vectors, not recognizing that women's sexuality is not merely passive and receptive. This panel makes different sexual expressions visible and explores how the invisibility of women's sexual diversity places them at risk through lack of STI/HIV prevention efforts. Finally, the panel

addresses the human rights violations and challenges experienced by women of diverse sexual practices and identities caused by their invisibility in the HIV response.

Sex Work, Punitive Laws and Human Rights

SESSION TYPE: Oral Abstract Session

LOCATION: Session Room 5

DISCUSSANTS: Alexandra Garita (Co-Chair); Andrew Hunter (Co-Chair); Mabel Beatriz Bianco, (Point Person); Carmen Rosa Murguia Pardo; Melissa Hope Ditmore; Amritananda Chakravorty; Iryna Mishyna

This session will cover the following topics: Female and transgender commercial sex workers empowered to fight against discrimination and other human rights violations: a multisectoral experience ongoing in four regions of Peru; A case story analysis of the implementation of PEPFAR's anti prostitution pledge and its implications for successful HIV prevention among organizations working with sex workers; Decriminalisation of sex work: renewed optimism in India; The role of sex-workers in addressing HIV – can community mobilization help?

11:50–12:10

A Positive Life: Portraits of Women Living With HIV

SESSION TYPE: Documentary

LOCATION: GV Video Lounge

A screening showing women from the book 'A Positive Life; Portraits of Women Living With HIV', followed by a question and answer session with the author River Huston. The book was written in 1997 and gives a glimpse into the lives of women living with HIV in the early treatment stage. It will also include updates on the women who survived.

13:00–14:00**Price Check: How Much is Needed for Gender and AIDS****SESSION TYPE:** Special Session**LOCATION:** Session Room 3

All agree that AIDS is the world's leading cause of death for females from age 15 to 49, but no one has tried to estimate what it would cost to make AIDS the second leading cause of death for women, or the third. This panel of feminist thinkers poses questions that have yet to be asked: Why are those involved in the global response to AIDS content simply to enumerate the problems that stem from gender, without estimating what it would actually cost to solve them? How can the AIDS issues that affect women be brought into the practical world of economic analysis, forecasting and planning?

Meet the Plenary Speaker**SESSION TYPE:** Meet the Plenary Speaker**LOCATION:** GV Session Room 1

Carlos Caceres and Elaine Abrams

Routinely Ignored: Consent and Confidentiality in HIV Testing**SESSION TYPE:** Oral Poster Discussion**LOCATION:** Mini Room 6

DISCUSSANTS: Frank Amort (Chairperson); Mabel Beatriz Bianco (Point Person); Elizabeth King; Cynthia Eyakuze; Zuzanna Muskat-Gorska; Katya Burns; Ralf Jürgens

This session will address the following topics: HIV testing for pregnant women: a rights-based analysis of the change in national policies; Is 'opting out' really an option? How the antenatal clinic environment shapes women's choice to test for HIV during pregnancy; Labour perspective on recent developments in international HIV/AIDS

testing and confidentiality regulation - the case of the 2009-2010 ILO standard setting process 'HIV/AIDS and the World of Work'; Mandatory premarital HIV testing: a gender analysis of impact; and Increasing access to HIV testing and counselling for people in prisons and other closed settings.

14:30–16:00**Sex Work: Only Rights Can Stop the Wrongs****SESSION TYPE:** Symposium**LOCATION:** Session Room 3

DISCUSSANTS: Thierry Schaffauser (Chairperson); Cheryl Overs (Chairperson); Macklean Kyomya; Jana Villayzan Aguilar; Kaythi Win; Shahnaz Islamova; Ruth Morgan Thomas

At this session the Global Network of Sex Work Projects (NSWP) will articulate the thinking behind the NSWP slogan 'Only rights can stop the wrongs'. NSWP members from Latin America, Europe, Africa, South East and Central Asia will describe sex workers human rights issues in their country or region with visual tools and speech. They will illustrate the links between human rights abuses and health and showcase community participation in rights based programming and strategic responses to human rights abuses.

Leaders against Criminalization of Sex Work, Sodomy, Drug Use/Possession, and HIV Transmission**SESSION TYPE:** Symposium**LOCATION:** Session Room 4

DISCUSSANTS: Stephen Lewis (Moderator); João Goulão; Michel Sidibé; Tim Barnett; Gontebanye Festus Mogae

In the past year, international leaders have spoken out about the need to include the removal of punitive laws, and the decriminalization of certain behaviors, as a critical strategy to HIV prevention. In this

session, national and international leaders actively engaged in efforts to (1) decriminalize sex work, sodomy and drug use/possession, and (2) oppose the criminalization of HIV transmission, will discuss why they have taken on decriminalization as an HIV prevention issue, how they have addressed opposition to decriminalization efforts, and how politicians can best be engaged in decriminalization efforts. Delegates will leave this session with clearly framed arguments for decriminalization as an HIV prevention strategy and specific arguments for decriminalizing of sex work, sodomy and drug use/possession, and against criminalization of HIV transmission. The session will conclude with a call for decriminalization.

Prevention of Mother-to-Child Transmission: Maternal Health and Elimination of Paediatric HIV/AIDS

SESSION TYPE: Symposium

LOCATION: GV Session Room 1

DISCUSSANTS: Ruslan Malyuta (Chairperson); Mean Chhi Vun (Chairperson); James McIntyre; Nathan Shaffer; Gabriele Fischer; Nigel Rollins

The new 2009 WHO recommendations for antiretroviral treatment of pregnant women, PMTCT and infant feeding provide an important new opportunity and challenge to implement highly effective interventions in resource-limited settings and promote the health of both the mother and the child. In non-breastfeeding populations, the risk of MTCT can be reduced to less than 2%, and to 5% or less in breastfeeding populations. Major gaps and obstacles of implementing PMTCT interventions remain managerial and operational in nature. The scaling up of prevention interventions among those most at risk and hard-to-reach women poses a particular challenge. This goes beyond clinical care and needs to include a range of care and protection issues, both in health institutions and in the community.

16:00–17:00

Slipping Through the Cracks: Girls, Women and Infectious Diseases

SESSION TYPE: GV Panel Discussion

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

Although preventable and treatable, infectious diseases remain the leading causes of death for women worldwide. The global community must recognize the effect of HIV and AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as a critical women's rights issue and illustrate disparities that women face when confronted with these diseases. This panel will address how infectious diseases disproportionately impact women's health by summarizing the latest trends, identifying biological and social drivers, and discussing barriers to treatment. A call to action will be issued asking the two communities to increase collaboration and further integrate infectious disease screening and treatment with women's health services.

16:00–17:30

Follow up Meeting: Our Bodies, Our Rights: Young Women's Forum on SRHR

SESSION TYPE: Community Skills Development Workshop

LOCATION: IAS Secretariat, Meeting Room Orange

Young women's leadership is central to addressing HIV. This Young Women's Forum on SRHR will be facilitated in two different sessions (at the beginning and end of the conference – see the preliminary meeting listed on Monday, 19 July) to unite young women involved in the conference. The learning objectives for this forum are to impart skills around advocacy and how to have strategic and effective conversations with leaders and policy makers.

18:30–20:30

Transforming the National AIDS Response to Address Women's Rights

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 6

Technical expertise in gender analysis and research, and gender-responsive programming, planning and budgeting needs to be mainstreamed more broadly throughout national AIDS coordinating mechanisms in all departments and programmes in order to ensure women's human rights become the focus of multisectoral and comprehensive HIV and AIDS programmes. This session will present some of UNIFEM and partners' experiences and learning in this regard and will illustrate strategies for gender equality priorities and women's rights to be included in the response to HIV.

Organizer: United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)

More Than Just Lip Service: Scaling up Sex Work Initiatives

SESSION TYPE: Non-Commercial Satellite**LOCATION:** Mini Room 7

At a time when HIV funding is under intense scrutiny, it is imperative that every last dollar counts. Part of ensuring this due diligence rests in making sure that HIV programmes are soundly grounded in the realities of the epidemic as we really know them to be. While some countries have embraced the notion of working with the realities facing sex workers, there are still all too many countries where the policy and legal environment impedes an effective HIV response. This interactive sex positive session will challenge, provoke and stimulate ideas about ensuring that sex work initiatives are taken to scale.

Organizer: International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), Network of Sex Work Projects (NSWP)

FRIDAY, 23 JULY

10:30–12:00

BOCHINCHE – Using Arts and Cultural Activism to Confront Violence Against Women and Transgender Sex Workers

SESSION TYPE: Screening

LOCATION: GV Video Lounge

The BOCHINCHE (festive uproar) Intervention emerged from an effort to create empathy toward the sex workers communities, historically neglected and discriminated against, and more vulnerable to HIV and AIDS, and advocate for their social inclusion. ‘Bochinche en las calles’ involved a communications campaign using posters posted around the city, and ‘Bochinche en la web’ involved a photo intervention and communication exchanges through a blog, radio programmes, cartoons and a video posted on Youtube (with 70,000 visits to date). In this activity all the intervention products (photographs, posters, etc) will be displayed, and the video will be displayed non-stop on a TV screen.

11:00–12:30

Unwanted Pregnancy and Abortion: Challenges for Women and Decision Makers

SESSION TYPE: Symposium

LOCATION: Session Room 3

DISCUSSANTS: Sofia Gruskin (Chairperson); Sophie Dilmitis (Point Person); Jennifer Gatsi; Promise Mthembu; Maria de Bruyn; Eugenia Lopez Uribe

This session will address the human rights of women living with HIV and will explore why and how unwanted pregnancy and access to safe and legal abortion can and should be addressed in relation to HIV

policy. Sometimes, even in countries where abortion is legal, women would rather go to clandestine providers, due to the continued stigma and judgment placed on women who choose to terminate a pregnancy. This places women, especially young, poor, and HIV positive women, at risk of losing their lives or suffering from unnecessary complications. In addition to the lack of comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services, in some countries the human rights of positive women are often violated. This session will explore informed consent in family planning, stigma and discrimination, and coerced sterilization. This session will develop recommendations needed to fulfill women’s rights to access comprehensive sexual and reproductive services, irrespective of HIV status.

11:00–12:00

Reproductive Rights of Women with HIV in the Global South

SESSION TYPE: GV Debate

LOCATION: GV Session Room 2

This session will share lessons learned and continuing challenges for achieving the commitments of the International Conference on Population and Development, the International Women’s Conference, the Millennium Development Goals and UNGASS, and thus guaranteeing the sexual and reproductive rights of women with HIV. Women leaders from Africa, Latin America and Asia will address key issues, such as: coercive abortion and sterilization, access to contraceptives, testing and treatment for other sexually transmitted infections, stigma and discrimination, as well as good practices for advocacy and social mobilization. Session participants will have an opportunity to engage in debate and discussion with the presenters.

VIENNA AIDS 2010



WOMEN'S NETWORKING ZONE

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WOMEN AND YOUNG WOMEN TO VIENNA AND BEYOND

We look to the International AIDS Conference in Vienna as an opportunity to mobilize women regionally and globally, for innovative community-building and advocacy, in order to:

- ▲ Advance an inclusive, diversity-rich, engendered, human rights and women's rights response to HIV and AIDS
- ▲ Highlight emerging women's and young women's issues and our successful responses to them
- ▲ Ensure women's active, meaningful participation, especially of positive women, young women, and women across Europe and Central Asia in the Conference
- ▲ Link positive, negative and untested women
- ▲ Hold European bilateral donors accountable, both for women's rights and HIV funding domestically and globally.

Building directly upon a decade of collaborative organizing around women and HIV at International AIDS Conferences, the Women's Networking Zone (WNZ) is a community built forum within the International AIDS Conference that is open to the public – and a place where community members, researchers, advocates, service providers, and decision-makers can meet, share, and learn together.

We view the WNZ as an inviting and inclusive forum for bringing together, local, regional, and global perspectives, as well as for bridging the gender, human rights, HIV, and sexual and reproductive health and rights communities.

At the Women's Networking Zone at AIDS 2010, we include a special emphasis on the needs, concerns, experiences, and issues affecting young women aged 16–30, including young women living with HIV. We wish to highlight the number of sessions led by, or of particular relevance to, young women at the WNZ AIDS 2010, including a daily Young Women's Hour, and the incorporation of a dedicated Young Women's resource corner to offer information from young women for young women.

During a consultation in Vienna in late October 2009, the below issues were identified as central to our work leading up to, during, and beyond AIDS 2010 in Vienna as particularly affecting women across Europe and Central Asia. For more information on this meeting and other preparations, please see www.womeneurope.net.

At AIDS 2010, the WNZ aims to highlight these issues, and identify and build on existing partnerships, networks, and advocacy efforts to address them in the region.

Identified regional priorities for Europe and Central Asia:

- ▲ Stigma and discrimination
- ▲ Motherhood, and particularly the right to safe and healthy motherhood
- ▲ Sex and sexuality, sexual and reproductive health and rights, including the rights of lesbian, bisexual, and transgender women
- ▲ Gender violence
- ▲ A gendered and rights-based approach to harm reduction, with a focus on women who use drugs and/or alcohol
- ▲ Legal and policy frameworks, including criminalization
- ▲ Sex work and the criminalization of sex workers
- ▲ Young women
- ▲ Decision-making, including GIPA
- ▲ Lack of adequate funding for issues relating to women's rights and HIV
- ▲ Health systems and services
- ▲ Media attitudes towards positive women in Europe and Central Asia
- ▲ Public perceptions of women and HIV
- ▲ Gaps and challenges in creating a formal 'evidence base' related to these issues

Globally, women from across the HIV response, identified key areas of work for highlighting women at the next International AIDS Conference (see the box opposite). We hope that these will be taken into account in future planning processes, from Vienna and beyond.

Access to: information, services, prevention, care, treatment, support

Rights: sexual and reproductive health and rights, property, inheritance, non-discrimination, equality, justice

Investment: budgets and funds for women and girls

Security: mental, physical, psychological, financial

Equity: education, empowerment, resources

Women... ARISE!

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WNZ PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, 18 JULY

18:00–18:45

WNZ Opening and Welcome

18:45–20:00

Die Netzwerke aus Österreich und Deutschland stellen sich vor! (The Networks from Austria and Germany introduce themselves!)

Netzwerke Frauen und AIDS Österreich und Deutschland

Presentation by the Austrian and German Women and AIDS Networks to look back with the question 'why is there a need for women's networks?', forward with the question 'how do we want it to be?' and at the present with the question 'what are our activities today?'
GERMAN

20:00–21:30

Young Women's Hour

Interactive session led by, for and in response to the needs, concerns and priorities of young women attending the conference.

MONDAY, 19 JULY

9:00–10:15

A Garden Full of Life

FrauenGesundheitsZentrum e.V (Centre for Women's Health, Munich)/Project 'Women's Health,' Germany, with GSSG, AIDS Hilfe Austria, LHIVE Switzerland, EATG Europe and Voices of Positive Women Canada

Women from all over the world come together to read poems, stories and other texts they have written and want to share. ENGLISH, GERMAN, RUSSIAN

9:00–10:15

Messaging and creating placards for the Human Rights March

All welcome: materials will be provided.

10:30–12:15

Beyond the Evidence Base: Rights and Justice for Women – Will the Vienna AIDS Conference Make a Difference?

Town Hall Session: speakers from Open Society Institute, Population Action International, Harvard School of Public Health International Programme on Health and Human Rights, IAS, conference track chairs, and others.

In HIV policy-making, the evidence-base reigns. But when it comes to women's experiences of HIV, who is setting the research agenda? This 'Town Hall' session explores why so many issues of prime importance to women apparently 'under-researched' and asks what can be done about it. ENGLISH

12:30–13:45

'We Hear the Thunder but We See No Rain.' Funding for Women: Rhetoric or Reality?

Global Coalition on Women and AIDS

Panel discussion to explore sources and track funding for women and girls; examine global and community level barriers to accessing funding for women and girls, and suggest interventions for increasing funding for women and girls. ENGLISH

14:00–15:15

Women's Power on the Panel: A Regional Approach to Universal Access and Human Rights

All Around Women Special (AAWS), Section of the German AIDS Society, with ATHENA, ICW Global, EATG, WECARe+

Panel discussion to share the challenges of women leaders in standing up for women's rights. Through building on principles of

participation in general and GIPA in particular, this session seeks to empower women leaders to meet their challenges and keep their promises. ENGLISH AND GERMAN

15:30–16:30

All Women, One Agenda? Exploring diversities to create a unified women's movement in the response to AIDS: A grassroots-feminist dialogue session

Huairou Commission, with World YWCA, Ipas, and Women ARISE

A structured dialogue session to explore divisions in focus between grassroots women and those working at a global level to secure women's rights, and to work towards forging a coordinated voice among women based on commonalities between different groups of women. ENGLISH

17:00–18:00

'Before we were sleeping but now we are awake' – How Stepping Stones Makes a Difference to Young Women's Lives

Salamander Trust, with The Foundation of the Peoples of the South Pacific International, Plan International, Ayuda en Accion, Namibia Women's Health Network, and KHPT

Introduction to the Stepping Stones training package with case studies of how it has been used to address gender issues in Central America, Russia and Central Asia and Fiji. ENGLISH

18:00–19:30

Education to Fit Lifestyles: What Works for Young Women?

WAGGGS and the University of Waikato, Aotearoa

Informal discussion in the Young Women's Resource Corner about HIV prevention through non-formal education: case studies from Kenya, Cyprus, Nigeria and Sweden. ENGLISH

18:15–19:15

Diamonds

UNIFEM and WAPN+

Film documentary made by and tracing the stories of women from the Asia-Pacific Network of People Living with HIV (APN+) whose lives carry a powerful message of hope and empowerment. ENGLISH

19:30–20:30

Young Women's Hour: Safer Sex

Including presentation from WAGGGS on contraception in general and from SUPPORT Worldwide on the use and negotiation of female condom FC2 for HIV prevention in particular. ENGLISH

19:45–20:30

Conference Round-up

TUESDAY, 20 JULY

8:30–9:30

Young Women's Hour

Interactive session led by, for and in response to the needs, concerns and priorities of young women attending the conference.

8:30–9:30

Gender, Sexualities and HIV/AIDS in Latin America

ILGA, Retrosex, ICW Latina, Trans, and Centro De Investigacion y Orientacion Integral

Panel discussion about the impact of HIV and AIDS on women's sexuality and gender norms in Latin America, including reinforcing the perception of women as (primarily) mothers and 'passive recipients' of heterosexual sex, and the marginalization of diversity within women's sexuality. SPANISH

9:30–10:45**HIV and Injection Drug Use: Making Harm Reduction Work for Women**

Harm Reduction Knowledge Hub for Europe and Central Asia with WHO and GTZ, and HealthRight International, Ukraine with Ukrainian Foundation for Public Health

Dialogue session with film screening that explores how and why women become addicted to drugs, and to identify and offer interventions to fill gaps where women who use injection drugs are under-served by both harm reduction programmes and women's health services. ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN

11:00–12:00**Discrimination and Criminalisation: A Multidisciplinary View**

Netzwerk Frauen und AIDS, Österreich; PULSHIV; Aids Hilfe Wien; SOPHIE

Panel discussion between politicians, professionals working in the field of HIV and AIDS, and women living with HIV to explore the effect of Austrian laws which criminalize HIV transmission, and discriminate against sex workers with HIV. GERMAN

12:15–13:30**Blueprint for Action on Women and Girls and HIV/AIDS: Tools for Assessment, Accountability and Advocacy**

Blueprint for Action on Women and Girls and HIV/AIDS

Presentation of the revised Blueprint Manifesto and National Report Card tool with findings and key points from the 2010 Report Cards for Norway and Canada, followed by discussion of how these tools can be used and adapted to meet context-specific needs. ENGLISH

13:45–15:00**Women Living with HIV in Europe and Central Asia: Launching a New Network**

WECARe+

Launch of the newly formed positive women's network, Women in the Europe and Central Asia Region Plus, and headlining results of a recent survey of women and young women living with HIV in the region to identify key issues. ENGLISH

15:15–16:45**Media Involvement for Women Living with HIV**

Positively Women and GSSG: Gemeinnützige Stiftung Sexualität und Gesundheit

Media training working towards the production of a special issue of Positive Women Magazine – a publication by and for HIV-positive women – dedicated to the Vienna conference. ENGLISH

17:15–18:30**Get Ahead of the Game: Your Future HIV Prevention Choices**

IAVI, AVAC and GCM

TV game-show format to provide information and discussion about the characteristics of future prevention tools, advocacy for those tools and information and swift access to existing or new prevention technologies. ENGLISH

18:30–19:00

Gather and leave for the Human Rights March

WEDNESDAY, 21 JULY

8:30–9:30

Respect Yourself!

WAGGGS and UNICEF UK

Practical skills workshop drawing on UNICEF's 'Just say yes!' programme to develop ideas on how to inform and inspire girls and young women in addressing challenging and sensitive issues. ENGLISH

9:30–11:00

Sharing Lessons: HIV Positive Women's Networks as a Civil Society Organizing, Advocacy and Mobilizing Tool

PozFem UK and US Network of Positive Women

Exploring the need for, development of, and challenges faced by positive women's networks in the UK and US to give voice and visibility to HIV positive women. ENGLISH

11:15–12:45

My Body, My Womb, My Rights: Ending Forced Sterilizations of HIV Positive Women

Her Rights Initiative and Namibia Women's Health Network, with AIDS Legal Network, ATHENA, and the Open Society Initiative for Southern Africa (OSISA)

Panel discussion to introduce the issue of forced sterilizations of HIV positive women as documented through case studies in South Africa and Namibia, discuss impacts on women, and review successful advocacy strategies to date and those that are planned for the future. ENGLISH

13:00–14:15

Provider Initiated HIV Testing in Pregnancy: Are Her Rights Respected?

Open Society Institute Consultant Promise Mthembu, with AIDS Legal Network, Justice and Women, and JASS Associates

Panel discussion to introduce and discuss findings from a recent study carried out in Kenya, South Africa and Ukraine to learn more about the experiences of women who learned their HIV status after testing during pregnancy. ENGLISH

14:30–15:30

Planning Action Around the Neglected Sexual and Reproductive Rights of Women Living with HIV

Ipas, with the Namibia Women's Health Network, and Harvard School of Public Health Programme of International Health and Human Rights

Structured dialogue to consider what actions are needed to promote HIV positive women's rights with regard to sexuality, reproduction and motherhood, including access to legal adoption and safe abortion care. ENGLISH

15:45–17:00

Gender Sensitive Approaches: Overcoming Barriers and Answering the Needs of Women who Inject Drugs in Eastern Europe and Central Asia

European AIDS Treatment Group, with European Harm Reduction Network and RTI International

Panel Discussion to explore access to HIV treatment and opioid substitution therapy, access to drug treatment, and issues around incarceration and parenting among women who use injecting drugs in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. ENGLISH

17:15–18:15

Outlawing Women: Effects of Laws Criminalizing Women's Sexuality

ATHENA, with AIDS Legal Network, Network of Sex Work Projects, Sonke Gender Justice, UNDP, World AIDS Campaign, World YWCA, and the Youth Coalition for Sexual and Reproductive Rights

Interactive dialogue to address the harmful effects of laws that criminalize various facets,

expressions, and realities of women sexuality and reproduction including sex work, abortion, HIV exposure and transmission, youth sexuality, sexual orientation, and gender identity. ENGLISH

18:00–19:00

**Women, HIV and Human Rights:
Addressing Property and Inheritance**

Discussants: Sandra Chu; Tamar Ezer; Shannon Hayes; Esther Mwaura; Priti Patel; Seodi White

The session will have two segments – each 23 minutes. The first segment will provide updates from the field. The Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network with WLSA Malawi and the Southern Africa Litigation Centre will share advocacy challenging marital property laws in Malawi to protect women's right to marital assets upon marriage dissolution. Huairou Commission will share grassroots strategies, like watchdog groups, women have been using to secure land, housing, and inheritance rights in the context of HIV in Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, and Uganda. The second segment will be a skills building on using international human rights instruments in advocacy to protect women's property and inheritance rights in the context of HIV, facilitated by OSI and the Huairou Commission.

18:30–19:30

Securing Rights for Women Living with HIV: Successes and Challenges

Sophia Forum with the All Party Parliamentarians Group on AIDS

Structured dialogue session to explore successes and challenges in accessing funding to raise awareness and address issues affecting HIV positive women in the UK, and to discuss the importance of engaging with parliamentarians and developing a political voice to speak about HIV and its impact on women. ENGLISH

19:30–20:30

Young Women's Hour: Violence against Women

Hosted by International Federation of Medical Students Association (IFMSA)

Interactive discussion around the topic of violence against women and girls and the care needed to support survivors of gender based violence, with examples of best practice and lessons learnt. ENGLISH

19:45–20:30

Conference Round-up

THURSDAY, 22 JULY

8:30–9:30

Combating Discrimination and Violence against HIV Positive Women

HealthRight International Russia, with Doctors to Children, St Petersburg, Russia

Participatory dialogue session to raise awareness about the issue of violence against HIV positive women who are pregnant or have young children, share experiences of successful interventions, and provide practical tools for audience members to engage with the issue. ENGLISH AND RUSSIAN

9:45–10:45

Young Women's Perspectives: Abortion and Sexual Orientation in the African Context

SAYWHAT, Zimbabwe

Structured dialogue session allowing young women from different backgrounds to share their experiences and exchange ideas about abortion and sexuality, and to discuss best practices in promoting the sexual and reproductive health rights of young women. ENGLISH

11:00–12:00**Linking HIV and Reproductive Health: Messaging on Sensitive Issues for Young Women's Campaigns***IPPF with Ipas*

Structured dialogue session to explore what kinds of messages and strategies could be used by young women to address two sensitive issues in the reproductive health field: comprehensive sexuality education and abortion. ENGLISH

12:15–13:30**Launch of the Women's HIV Prevention Tracking Project: A Five-Country Study on the Implications for Women of Medical Male Circumcision for HIV Prevention***ATHENA and AVAC, with AIDS Legal Network, Health Rights Action Group, Mama's Club, Namibia Women's Health Network, SWAPOL, and WOFAK*

Panel discussion to present key initial findings from documentation and analysis of women's perspectives of medical male circumcision in South Africa, Swaziland, Namibia, Kenya, and Uganda. ENGLISH

13:45–14:45**Developing Principles of Partnership and Accountability between Organisations Working with Women and with Men for Gender Equality***ATHENA and Sonke Gender Justice, with MenEngage, Salamander Trust, and Mama's Club*

Interactive dialogue to catalyze debate through bridging a strong feminist critique with examples of successful models of working in communities with men and women, boys and girls, together. ENGLISH

14:45–16:00**Safe Schools: the Cross-Cutting Challenge of School-related Violence***Global AIDS Alliance*

Multi-stakeholder strategic planning dialogue to share best practices, lessons learned and advocacy strategies to ensure that children feel safe on their way to and from, and at school. ENGLISH

15:00–18:00**Read My Story: Women IDUs***European AIDS Treatment Group*

Story installation written by women injecting drug users from Eastern Europe and Central Asia to highlight barriers to treatment access and sexual and reproductive rights, advocacy issues and the needs of women who use injection drugs. MULTIPLE LANGUAGES

16:00–17:15**Twinning Project: From the East and from the West: Women to Vienna***GSSG: Gemeinnützige Stiftung Sexualität und Gesundheit*

Networking session in which the Twinning Project is presented and participants review their experience of the Vienna conference. ENGLISH

18:00–19:30**Vagina Monologues: Women Speaking Out to Address the Intersection of Violence and HIV***Joyce Hunter with ATHENA, Eve Ensler, HIV Center for Clinical and Behavioral Studies, Research Institute Without Walls, and the South Africa MAC AIDS Fellows*

Community reading of the Vagina Monologues to create a forum where conference delegates and local community members can share and speak together politically and personally. ENGLISH

19:30–20:30**Young Women's Hour**

Interactive session led by, for and in response to the needs, concerns and priorities of young women attending the conference.

19:45–20:30

Conference Round-up

FRIDAY, 23 JULY**8:30–9:45****Young Women's Hour: Evaluation and Effective Messaging: 'Making My Voice Heard'**

WAGGGS

Looking back on Vienna 2010, what have been some of the key issues to emerge for young women in relation to HIV and AIDS and women and girls' rights, and how can we take those issues forward through effective messaging. ENGLISH

9:45–10:45**Models of Capacity Building Innovations in the PHA Community**

AIDS Bereavement and Resiliency Programme Ontario, with Positive Leadership Development Institute, Ontario AIDS Network PHA Programs, Committee for Accessible AIDS Treatment

Presentation of materials developed over three years to support the implementation of GIPA/MIPA with a selection of training exercises and resources for participants to try out. ENGLISH

11:00–12:15**Women to Washington***WNZ partnership*

Review and evaluation of WNZ2010 including consultation processes from Mexico City to Vienna; building on strengths and successes and looking to Washington 2012. ENGLISH

PARALLEL PROGRAMME**SUNDAY, 18 JULY TO FRIDAY, 23 JULY****Photovoice: Exploring Gender and Power through the Lens**

Reproductive Health and HIV Research Unit of the University of Witwatersrand

Photographic installation taking a critical look at gender norms in South African society from the perspective of young people, and exploring how power exerts itself both by and over women. Accompanying text: English

Poster presentation

Balance and the University of British Columbia

Challenges to achieve universal access to reproductive health in women with HIV in eight countries of the Latin America.

World Pulse Desk: Global Issues through the Eyes of Women – Unleashing Women's Voices in the Fight against HIV*World Pulse*

Introduction and registration to the World Pulse Global Forum – an on-line community forum of over 3,000 members that looks at global issues including HIV and AIDS through the eyes of women. English

DAILY IN THE WNZ**FILM/AUDIO DOCUMENTARIES****9:00–16:00****Her Decision**

Ontario HIV Treatment Network and Toronto People with AIDS Foundation

Documentary film about a woman's silence and the subtle changes she makes in her life to cope with her news as she lives among her family who has no idea that she has just been diagnosed HIV-positive. English

The Director, Jag Parmar, will be in the Zone to answer questions on the film on Tuesday 20 July, 11:00–13:00 and on Thursday 22 July, 11:00–13:00.

Lifeboat – the Young Women’s Point of View

Gemeinnützige Stiftung Sexualität und Gesundheit (GSSG)

Short documentary films in which young women and men living with HIV talk about their experiences of dealing with stigma and discrimination, disclosure, sexuality and living with HIV. German with English subtitles

Lifeboat – HIV and Motherhood

Gemeinnützige Stiftung Sexualität und Gesundheit (GSSG)

Short documentary films in which women living with HIV talk about barriers they face in making choices around pregnancy and childbirth.

German with sub-titles

HIV and Motherhood

Salamander Trust

Audio documentary project in which HIV positive women speak about their experiences of motherhood. English

Diamonds

UNIFEM and WAPN+

Film documentary made by and tracing the stories of women from the Asia-Pacific Network of People Living with HIV (APN+) whose lives carry a powerful message of hope and empowerment. English

The film will be shown in the main stage of the WNZ on Monday 19 July, 18:15–19:15 followed by a discussion with one of the film’s participants.

Friendship Across Borders

WAGGGS

Film documentary of a ‘global school’ project built on the friendship and shared dreams and visions of Eira, a pupil at the Haga primary school in Sweden, and Memory from the Chiedza primary school in Zimbabwe. Swedish

Returning Home

Healthright International, Ukraine

Documentary film exploring how and why women become addicted to injection drugs, what services are available to them and how substitution therapy can improve the quality of women’s and their children’s lives. Russian

Zindalash

Network of Sex Work Projects

Film about the portrayal of sex workers in Bollywood films.

Ahora me toca a mi/Now it’s my turn

Awareness raising Mexican documentary made by young people featuring the testimonies of 3 male-to-female and 3 female-to-male transsexuals. Spanish (with English subtitles)

OTHER DAILY ACTIVITIES

Self Care in the WNZ

16:00–17:00

AV booth

Relaxation sessions with essential oils and aromatherapy.

AIDS Bereavement and Resiliency Program of Ontario

Prevention Now! Learn how to use and negotiate FC2 female condom for HIV prevention

17:00–20:30

AV Booth

Female condom counselling and demonstrations.

SUPPORT Worldwide

Love, Lies and Contraception

17:00–18:00

Young Women’s Resource Corner Daily Drop-in for young women’s contraception advice.

WAGGGS

OTHER NETWORKING ZONES

ACCESSIBILITY, INCLUSION, DISABILITY AND SEXUALITY

The interrelation between disability and HIV has recently been recognized by UNAIDS, yet people with disabilities, and in particular women with disabilities, still lack access to information, treatment, care and support. Due to the arrival of ARVs in the global South, people are able to live longer with HIV and some develop disabilities as a result of their illness. This **Disability and HIV Networking Zone** aims to raise awareness around the relationship between disability and HIV, as well as provide a platform for exchange of good practice and innovative advocacy ideas. A number of presentations will draw attention to the situation of women with disabilities.

CLAIMING OUR SPACE: MARGINALIZED POPULATIONS COMING TOGETHER

In this space, **groups who often are challenged by finding space and voice at the International AIDS Conference have come together** to create a space for dialogue, to showcase experiences and programs, and to plan for activities at AIDS 2010 and looking forward to 2012, etc. During the week of the IAC there will be film screenings, exhibits, workshops, planning sessions, etc. featuring voices from around the world who are often marginalized in their respective nations as well as at international forums. A rich cornucopia of individuals and groups will be represented and there will be much to learn by visiting the Claiming Our Space Networking Zone.

ENGAGING THE YOUTH THROUGH MOBILIZATION AND LIFESKILLS-BASED EDUCATION

We look forward to welcoming women from all geographic locations, especially Africa and sub-Saharan Africa, to the **Sub-Saharan Africa Networking Zone**, where we will feature discussions on women's education and violence against women. Violence against women has led to many deaths and increased prevalence of HIV among women in sub-Saharan Africa. We will therefore discuss the connection between these two issues, including how education can help prevent violence against women.

GLOBAL NETWORK OF SEX WORK PROJECTS: ONLY RIGHTS CAN STOP THE WRONGS

The **NSWP (Global Network of Sex Work Projects) Networking Space 'Only rights can stop the wrongs'** will allow sex workers from around the world to meet, to exchange, to network in order to strengthen their positions and their demands, and to plan activities during the Conference. Members of NSWP and other sex work projects will be invited to utilise the NSWP Networking Space for workshops,

discussion panels, presentation of books and reports, videos, and performances. Sex workers will be involved in the planning, execution and evaluation of the activities. The NSWP Networking Space will allow the public to get in touch with sex workers' issues, realities and urgent needs, resulting in a greater understanding of sex work and sex workers' rights.

GLOBAL NETWORKS OF COMMUNICATION AND DIVERSITY TO HIV/AIDS

The **Global Networks of Communication and Diversity Networking Zone** will address issues of gender-based violence, equity, human rights, and sexual and reproductive health. Sessions will include workshops for women living with HIV and an analysis of the challenges of implementing an HIV policy with a gender perspective in Latin American countries.

HUMAN RIGHTS AND HIV/AIDS: NOW MORE THAN EVER

The **Human Rights Networking Zone** will present exciting events that will bring home the theme of AIDS 2010, 'Rights Here, Right Now.' Join us for video screenings on women drug users in Ukraine, access to justice by widows in Kenya, and provider-initiated testing of pregnant women, as well as debates on forced sterilization and meet-the-expert sessions on the health and human rights of women in sub-Saharan Africa. The zone is a collaboration of leading HIV and human rights organizations around the world and is co-hosted by the OSI Public Health Program and the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, with the support of the Levi Strauss Foundation and OSISA.

MAKING CONNECTIONS: FEMINIST AND YOUTH VOICES AND LOCAL KNOWLEDGE OF HIV AND AIDS

Making Connections: Feminist and Youth Voices is a networking zone jointly convened by the Global Youth Coalition on HIV/AIDS, Nepal, the United Nations Population Fund, Pakistan, and the Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights. The three organisations will present on different days of the week, in addition to holding certain joint activities! Despite being in the Asian zone, the perspectives will be both local and international! All of the activities in this zone will involve a strong feminist voice and tackle the many challenges faced by women and young women and girls in the fight against HIV and AIDS.

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA: UNITE TO FOCUS AND ACT AGAINST HIV+ PHOBIA

The MENA Networking Zone will address issues of gender inequality that increase women's vulnerability to HIV. These issues include marriage patterns and age differences between spouses; cultural expectations of women's innocence, making it difficult for them to access information on risks; and the resurgence of early forms of temporary marriages, which may be religiously sanctioned in circumstances such as poverty, travel, or tourism.

MULTI-FAITH NETWORKING ZONE

The Multi-Faith Networking Zone in the Global Village will provide an inclusive, innovative and informative space for faith-based participants to share their experiences of HIV and AIDS, engage in inter-faith dialogue, exchange best practices and foster collaboration. In particular, it will highlight ways that faith communities can fight stigma and discrimination associated with HIV and AIDS. Specific sessions focusing on women and faith will include an interactive dialogue that will explore how women of faith can address stigma and discrimination, and a multi-faith exploration of the question 'What does it mean to be a woman of faith in the context of HIV?'

POSITIVE COMMUNITY IN ACTION: THE PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV NETWORKING ZONE

This zone is hosted by **the Global Network of People living with HIV (GNP+), the International Community of Women living with HIV (ICW-Global) and the World AIDS Campaign**. Positive Community in Action will showcase diverse new campaigning toolkits, as well as provide the opportunity for people living with HIV to discuss HIV related violations of their human rights. Select sessions will focus on the rights of women living with HIV.

THE COMMUNITY CAREGIVERS ACTION NETWORKING, LEARNING AND ADVOCACY ZONE

The Community Caregivers Action Networking Zone will: provide a platform for those involved in community and home-based care to highlight their issues; advocate for the inclusion of caregivers and their priorities in global AIDS policy decision-making; and raise the profile of and support for community care and support. We are calling for participation from grassroots caregivers, NGOs, faith-based organizations, networks, researchers, institutions and other organizations and leaders in advocacy on community and home-based care from around the world to join us in advancing these objectives. In our networking zone caregivers and conference goers can come together to share experiences, learn from each other and raise awareness of the role of community and home-based care.

THE DRUGS ZONE: HUMAN RIGHTS, HARM REDUCTION AND DRUG LAW REFORM

The Drug Policy Networking Zone is a space for sharing ideas, experiences and expertise on drug policy reform. Injecting drug use is the second main HIV transmission route among women, accounting for 26% of HIV infections. Visit us to find out more, forge new links and develop strategic thinking on this issue. The zone is co-hosted by the Transform Drug Policy Foundation and the International Drug Policy Consortium, supported by the Open Society Institute's Global Drug Policy Program.

THE POWER OF PRACTICE: LEARN, SHARE, MEET AND GET INSPIRED

STOP AIDS NOW! Networking Zone – a nice mix of content and fun. Visit us and enjoy a wide range of inspiring activities. We invite you to share knowledge and expertise, learn, network and collaborate on specific issues, ranging from gender, sexuality and HIV; life skills and HIV prevention for youth; access to treatment; networks of care and support; human rights and the reduction of stigma and discrimination; and the greater involvement of people living with HIV. We use arts and ICT to boost creativity and interactivity.

WOMEN ARISE BOOTH

Women ARISE is a broad coalition of 36 diverse women's networks and groups from around the world, including women living with HIV, women affected by HIV, young women, sex workers, women who use drugs, lesbian women, transgender and transsexual people, and women's rights and sexual and reproductive health and rights activists. In Women ARISE all networks and groups are working together to promote a common agenda on women's and girls' rights in the AIDS response and ensure that all women and girls and their perspectives, voices and realities are central and visible in all the activities of the International AIDS Conference in Vienna.

YOUTH GENERATION... ACT NOW!

In accordance with the objectives of the Global Village to act as an open space for the general public, individuals or members of organisations that work in HIV, health, sexual and reproductive health and rights, harm reduction and human rights, the **Youth Zone** aims to promote dialogue and knowledge on these topics through opportunities for discussion regarding young people and networking among activists from around the world. Within this context, a number of sessions will focus specifically on young women's empowerment.

Women and Young Women to Vienna and Beyond Partnership

Aids Hilfe Wien, Austria

AIDS Legal Network, South Africa

All Around Women Special, Section of the German AIDS Society, Germany

ATHENA Network

Balance Promocion para el Desarrollo y Juventud, Mexico

Blueprint Coalition on Women, Girls, and HIV, Canada

European AIDS Treatment Group

Global Coalition on Women and AIDS

GSSG, Germany

IAVI

International AIDS Women's Caucus

ICW Global

Netzwerk Frauen und Aids, Germany

PULSHIV, Austria

Salamander Trust, UK

Sophia Forum, UK

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UNDP

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WECARE+ (Women in Europe and Central Asia Region Plus)

Women ARISE

Women of Color United, United States

World AIDS Campaign

World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts

World Pulse

World YWCA



The Women's Networking Zone is coordinated by the ATHENA Network. *Celebrating 10 years of parallel women's fora.*

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The Young Women's Networking Zone is convened by the World Association of Girl Guides and Girls Scouts (WAGGGS). For further details, see: www.wagggsworld.org.

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