

17th International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development

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UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE & SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS FOR ALL: A MUTUAL RELATIONSHIP

PROGRAMME

October 24 – 25, 2019

Pfefferwerk, Christinenstraße 18/19, 10119 Berlin, Germany

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Universal Health Coverage (UHC) – ensuring that every person has access to quality, affordable health services without the risk of financial hardship – has emerged as a dominant framework in global health. Through the inclusion of UHC in the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs, target 3.8), this trend has been further reinforced.

According to the 2019 UHC Global Monitoring Report, at least half of the world's population cannot access essential health services. This also holds true for those services specific to sexual and reproductive health (SRH). Because of the lack of social and financial protection in many countries, many people remain unable to afford services ranging from contraception to safe delivery.

The relationship between UHC and SRHR is mutual: Universal access to quality SRH services cannot be achieved without structural efforts to minimize financial barriers and expand coverage. Equally, achieving UHC is impossible without particular consideration of SRH and its central importance to large numbers of people in all countries - especially women and adolescents.

While the rise of UHC is often seen as a great – and possibly unique – opportunity to further SRHR, many of these hopes remain unrealized. The interpretation and implementation of UHC differs from country to country: to date, most countries have included limited aspects of a comprehensive SRH package in their national UHC frameworks. While some SRH services, such as maternal and antenatal health services, are commonly included in basic health packages, national health schemes aiming at UHC often leave out other essential elements of SRH such as access to contraceptives: In 2014, more than US\$ 1.2 billion was spent on contraceptive supplies across 135 low and middle-income countries (LMICs). The share of out-of-pocket expenditure for contraceptive supplies was 82 per cent, while donor funding and domestic government expenditure covered 10 per cent and 8 per cent respectively.

In addition, steps towards UHC have not automatically resulted in greater equity. Those groups with the largest needs for SRH services – women, adolescents or sexual minorities – remain more likely to be left out of schemes aiming to achieve UHC. Moreover, the inclusion of services



in national UHC frameworks does not guarantee their accessibility, availability and quality, as many structural barriers persist. Finally, it appears that despite the broad vision of UHC within the Agenda 2030, efforts at country level often remain truncated by an overly narrow focus on the health sector and bias towards clinical and curative services. This limits the utility of UHC as a vehicle to drive a comprehensive SRHR agenda, which in large parts depends on multisectoral action, health promotion and prevention.

The 17th International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development will be moderated by Katrin Erlingsen and Ute Lange.

OBJECTIVES

- Explore synergies and common goals between UHC and SRHR with a specific focus on reaching the SDGs for those left furthest behind.
- Provide a platform to discuss the strategies, best practices, opportunities, challenges and limitations of promoting SRHR through UHC.
- Build alliances and networks between participants to jointly work towards the integration of SRHR within UHC.



CONFERENCE DAY 1, OCTOBER 24, 2019

UHC & SRHR: WHERE DO WE STAND?

WHAT CAN WE BUILD ON?

09:00 a.m. **Registration**

09:30 a.m. **Opening Session**

Welcome

Renate Bähr

Executive Director,
DSW (Deutsche Stiftung
Weltbevölkerung), Germany

Carolyn Bansbach

Head of Section Health,
Education and Social
Development, Deutsche
Gesellschaft für Internationale
Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH,
Germany

Introduction to the Conference Agenda by Facilitators

10:00 a.m. **Keynote including Q&A**

Dereje Wordofa

Deputy Executive Director,
United Nations Population Fund
(UNFPA), New York

10:30 a.m. **Coffee Break**

11:00 a.m.

Setting the Scene: Expert Panel on UHC & SRHR

Patrick Kuma Aboagye

Director of Family Health Division
Ghana Health Service, Ghana

Ana María Bejar

Director of Advocacy,
International Planned Parenthood
Federation (IPPF), London

Anders Nordström

Swedish Ambassador for
Global Health, Ministry for
Foreign Affairs, Sweden

Lale Say

Coordinator, Adolescents and
at-Risk Population Team, World
Health Organisation (WHO), Geneva

12:30 p.m. **Lunch**

01:30 p.m.

**UHC & SRHR: One Vision –
Different Approaches. Lessons
Learned from Different Regions**
Parallel workshops on nine country
examples: Argentina, Cambodia,
Ethiopia, Finland, Germany, Kenya,
Mexico, Thailand, Tunisia

01:45 p.m. **Round 1**

02:30 p.m. **Coffee Break**

03:00 p.m. **Round 2**

03:50 p.m. **Round 3**

04:35 p.m. **Wrap-up and Closing**

05:00 p.m. **End of Day 1**



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CONFERENCE DAY 2, OCTOBER 25, 2019 UHC & SRHR: CAPACITY BUILDING AND STRATEGIZING



09:00 a.m. **Opening**

Keynote

Maria Flachsbarth

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

Frank Strelow

Vice President, Global Health Care
Programs Bayer AG, Germany

Introduction to Day 2 by Facilitators

09:40 a.m. **UHC & SRHR: Specific Aspects**
Eight Parallel Workshops on
specific aspects of UHC and SRHR

09:50 a.m. Round 1

11:10 a.m. Round 2

12:30 p.m. **Lunch**

01:30 p.m.

**UHC & SRHR: Global Processes
and Strategies
Opening Round**

Anneka Knutsson

Chief of the Sexual and
Reproductive Health Branch,
United Nations Population Fund
(UNFPA), New York

Sai Jyothirmai Racherla

Programme Director,
The Asian-Pacific Resource &
Research Centre for Women
(ARROW), Malaysia

Mette Gonggrijp

Ambassador for Women's Rights
and Gender Equality
Ministry of Foreign Affairs,
The Netherlands

02:00 p.m.

Fishbowl Discussion

03:00 p.m.

Coffee Break

03:20 p.m.

Closing Session

04:00 p.m.

End of conference

07:00 p.m.

**Farewell Dinner at the
Conference Hotel**



HOW TO GET TO THE VENUE



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Christinenstraße 18/19, 10119 Berlin

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Am Friedrichshain 17, 10407 Berlin

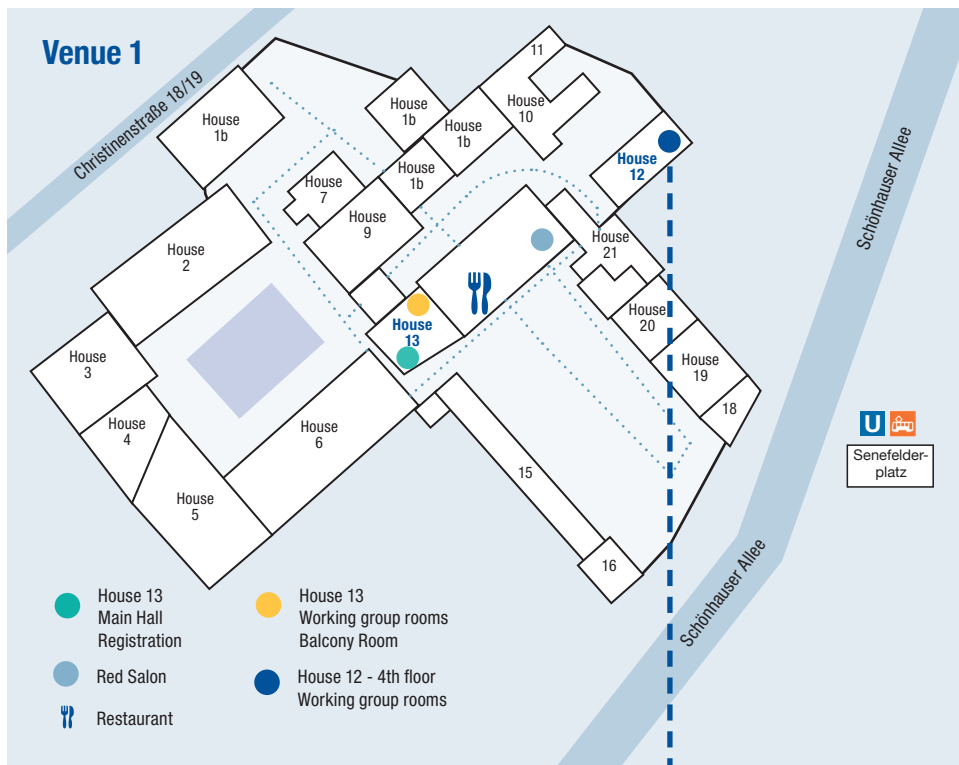
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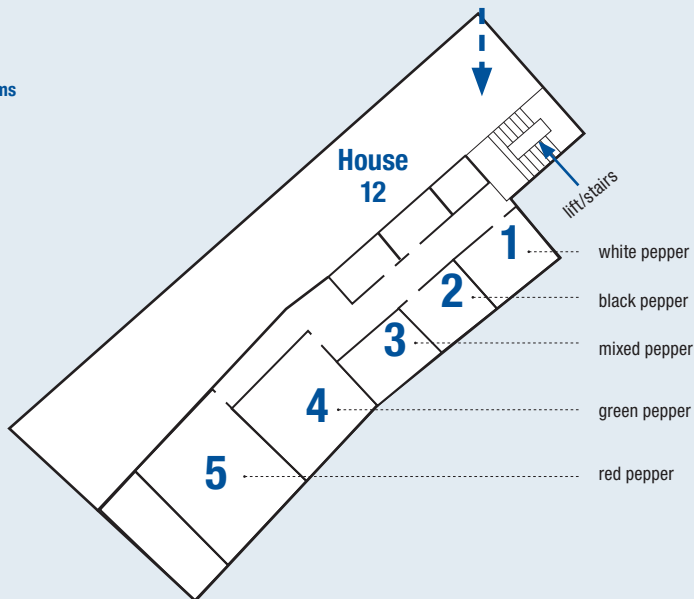
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Venue 1



Venue 2

4th floor
Working group rooms



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

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



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