



# 2015 EuroNGOs Annual Report



Connecting  
Members capacity building  
network  
Strategy Agenda 2030  
EuroVops Community  
Human rights  
Convening hub (sexual  
rights)  
Knowledge  
Population-sharing

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## DEAR FRIENDS,

I am delighted to present to you the EuroNGOs annual report for 2015. This report is testament to the hard work of our community. None of this would be possible without you, and we are grateful for your continued support in the network. I, therefore, want to start by thanking our fantastic members, our partners, my fellow members of the outgoing and new Steering Committee, and, not least, the Secretariat.

**WHAT A YEAR 2015 HAS BEEN!** Our global leaders have finally agreed on the new Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) that will shape development over the years to come. Despite the shortcomings of the 2030 Agenda, we can be proud of what we have achieved, with significant recognition of the importance of sexual and reproductive health and rights in the 2030 Agenda. Through our information-sharing, strong collaboration and advocacy, we ensured that many of our decision-makers in Europe remained at the forefront of defending issues related to sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR), and successfully promoted SRHR in key international development processes and global debates.

The EuroNGOs international conference and Annual General Meeting in November was a great opportunity for us to take a breath after this post-2015 'journey' and reflect on the 2030 Agenda and lessons learned from our joint efforts. At the same time it was a timely opportunity to start looking at the future implementation, financing and monitoring of the agenda, indicators to measure progress, links to climate negotiations, and the implications for our own work. As you will all agree, we now face 15 years of hard work to hold governments accountable and to push the boundaries of SRHR in the 2030 Agenda. As civil society organizations we need to look at how we integrate the SDGs into our future advocacy work, and how we continue to push for SRHR in a changing landscape. This will include moving towards a holistic and embracing discourse that can engage new stakeholders in our cause, and at the same time continue to advance the pieces of the SRHR agenda that didn't make it into the SDGs - in particular abortion, comprehensive sexuality education and LGBTI rights.

As EuroNGOs, we will start crafting what that means in terms of sustainability and the future of our network, which will be a major priority for us in the coming year. Our new strategic framework (2016–2020), developed in participation with all members, will guide us in doing that.

I look forward to our continued engagement in 2016, and to jointly turning the 2030 Agenda from talk and words on paper into a reality.

**HAPPY READING,**



Tania Dethlefsen, EuroNGOs Chair  
International Director, Danish Family Planning Association

# OUR HIGHLIGHTS OF 2015

# CONVENING & CONNECTING

**New conversations were prompted**, and ideas and evidence were shared by bringing members together, both virtually and face to face. We managed two safe virtual spaces for members and partners to 'meet' and exchange information. Both Worldpopl and Europopl remain remarkably active compared to similar mailing lists.

Opportunities were also created to meet in person, with the annual international conference the main space for the civil society community working on sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) in Europe and across the world to broaden its understanding of key issues and foster collective thinking and action. With the topic of 'SRHR in the post-2015 agenda and beyond: mapping the way forward' and hosted by Sex og Politikk, the conference made a timely strategic contribution to the SRHR community's thinking on ways it could re-organize and re-focus work as the international community enters the implementation phase of the 2030 Agenda.

We also had the pleasure of welcoming **3 NEW MEMBERS** to EuroNGOs: Médecins du Monde (France), P&D Factor (Portugal) and Reproductive Health Matters (UK). They have enabled the network to continue to grow - not just in number but, more importantly, in expertise and reach.

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TO HAVE 200 OF THE WORLD'S MOST KNOWLEDGEABLE ACTIVISTS ON SRHR IN NORWAY WAS INCREDIBLE. OUR KNOWLEDGE ABOUT CURRENT DISCUSSIONS AND WORK IN OUR FIELD HAS IMPROVED, IT CREATED NEW FRIENDS AND CONTACTS AND OFFERED US AN OPPORTUNITY TO PROFILE OUR ISSUES TOWARDS OUR AUTHORITIES AND POLITICIANS. AT THE SAME TIME IT GAVE OUR VOLUNTEERS INSPIRATION TO CONTINUE THEIR WORK FOR SRHR. BEING HOST TO SUCH A MAJOR CONFERENCE HAS GIVEN A BIG BOOST TO BOTH OUR NATIONAL AND OUR INTERNATIONAL WORK.

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Tor-Hugne Olsen,  
Executive Director  
Sex og Politikk (Norway)

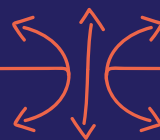


IPPF Europe @ippfen  
#eurongos2015 is closing  
- Congrats #EuroNGOS and  
@Sexogpolitikk for a great  
conference!! "Let's fight to  
get SRHR out there!"

**“ EURONGOS PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO ENGAGE A BROAD RANGE OF SRHR ORGANISATIONS AT ONE TIME AND IN ONE PLACE. THIS GIVES US THE OPPORTUNITY TO HIGHLIGHT LINKS BETWEEN SRHR AND OTHER DEVELOPMENT TOPICS. FOR INSTANCE, NOT ALL SRHR ORGANISATIONS KNOW THAT FAMILY PLANNING PROJECTS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION FINANCING, BUT EURONGOS GIVES US THE CHANCE TO HIGHLIGHT SUCH OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR SECTOR. ”**

**Carina Hirsch**, Advocacy and Policy Manager, **Population and Sustainability Network (UK)**

# DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION & INTELLIGENCE



Our newsletters, digests and mappings continued to provide key information on developments in Europe, strategic opportunities to support the work of the European SRHR community and best practices from members. EuroNGOs also engaged in selected meetings to promote SRHR and gather information relevant to our sector. Our mappings of UN Member States' positions on the post-2015 negotiations helped our members to strategically approach their government representatives to influence the discussions. In the newsletter, we strengthened the members' section to increase the visibility of European SRHR organizations and share best practices.

We also dived deeper into the issue of the follow-up and review of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and developed a toolkit for our members on the basis of the accountability workshop held at the end of 2014.

To make our resources even more accessible,  
we redesigned and launched our new website [WWW.EURONGOS.ORG](http://WWW.EURONGOS.ORG)

## Our information-sharing in numbers:

**14% MORE** SUBSCRIPTIONS

TO EUROPOPL, with over 20 messages monthly and a 10% increase in traffic compared to 2014. More than 50% of these messages came from EuroNGOs members.

**17% MORE** SUBSCRIPTIONS

TO WORLDPOPL, with over 60 messages monthly and a 12% increase in traffic compared to 2014. Around 30% of these messages came from EuroNGOs members and the Secretariat, and 70% from the wider SRHR community.

**7** DIGESTS OR NEWS ROUND-UPS & **10**

NEWSLETTERS shared by the Secretariat

**3 MAPPINGS**

OF UN MEMBER STATES' positions on post-2015



# BUILDING SKILLS & CAPACITY

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**We created opportunities for sharing and learning** between our members and with the wider SRHR sector. Through a skills-building workshop on resource mobilization we strengthened the fundraising skills of 15 European SRHR organizations.

On the sidelines of the annual conference, we hosted a space for the community to strategize on moving forward beyond 2015. The workshop stimulated a strategic discussion within the SRHR community on three hot topics directly affecting advocacy work at the European and international level: sexual rights, climate change and financing for development.

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**“I WAS DEEPLY IMPRESSED BY THE AMBITION AMONG THE MEMBERS IN OUR RESOURCE MOBILISATION WORKSHOP. IT’S REALLY UNIQUE TO FIND A GROUP OF PARTICIPANTS WHO WANT TO LEARN FROM A TRAINING AND ALSO SEEK TO COOPERATE ACROSS ORGANISATIONS. I HOPE TO SEE SOME INTERESTING COLLABORATIONS AND CONSORTIA GENERATED FROM THIS.”**

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**Andrew Pavao,**  
Resource Mobilisation Coordinator,  
DSW (Germany)

# MOBILIZING ACTION



Throughout the later stages of the post-2015 process we provided intelligence on the negotiations hot off the press and organized strategic advocacy activities to ensure that SRHR stayed high on the agenda. We facilitated the development of joint European and global activities on post-2015 and other key processes and debates affecting our sector. As members, we provided evidence and expertise from our work on the ground to feed into consultations on, for example, the indicators for the SDGs and working methods of the Commission on Population and Development.

**In all of this, we worked closely with our partners Countdown 2015 Europe, Astra and IPPF EN to amplify the voices of our members.**

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**“THE SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS COMMUNITY’S INVOLVEMENT IN THE POST-2015 PROCESS WAS IMPRESSIVE, WITH SOPHISTICATED AND TIMELY ASKS DEVELOPED AT DIFFERENT MOMENTS THROUGHOUT THE PROCESS. THIS COLLECTIVE WORK PAID OFF: SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS ISSUES ARE WELL EMBEDDED IN SO MANY GOALS THAT IT WILL BE DIFFICULT THAT THIS AGENDA IS ISOLATED AND CUT OUT.”**

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**Neil Datta,**  
Secretary,  
European Parliamentary  
Forum (Belgium)



**@ Ida Klockmann**  
Amb. Donoghue: mentioning  
**#SRH** in the declaration of  
**#2030agenda** is directly a  
result of CSO pressure  
**#EuroNGOs**

# FINANCIAL REPORT

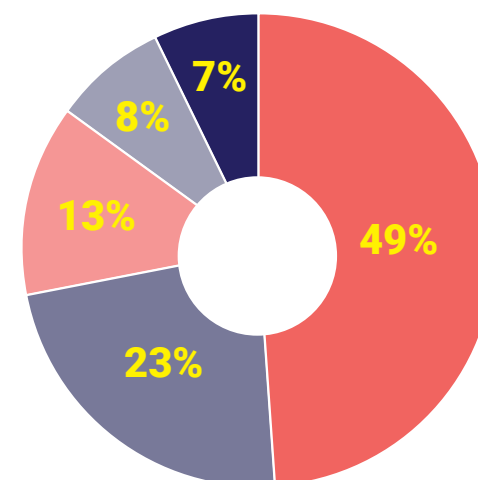
## 2015

**In 2015 our work was funded by three institutional donors, as well as through membership and conference registration fees.**

## FINANCIAL REPORT *(January–December 2015) EUR*

	BUDGET	ACTUAL	BALANCE
<b>SECRETARIAT AND COORDINATION</b>			
Human Resources: Secretariat Staff*	159,659.00	146,861.99	12,797.01
Office	8,391.00	10,748.52	-2,357.52
IT and Communications	6,284.00	6,364.93	-80.93
Steering Committee Meetings**	5,000.00	6,787.93	-1,787.93
<b>PROGRAMMES</b>			
Training Workshop***	10,000.00	8,584.01	1,415.99
Strategy Meeting****	10,077.00	13,276.30	-3,199.30
Annual Conference and AGM*****	75,159.15	52,328.80	22,830.35
Representation	1,999.00	331.80	1,667.20
Publications	1,000.00	508.02	491.98
Miscellaneous	10,031.00	1,080.52	8,950.48
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>287,600.15</b>	<b>246,872.82</b>	<b>40,727.33</b>

## SOURCE OF INCOME



■ The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation / Packard Foundation 2015 / 
 ■ The David and Lucile Packard Foundation 2015 / 
 ■ Membership fees / 
 ■ 2015 Conference Registration fee / 
 ■ UNFPA

## RESERVE

As of 31 December 2015, EuroNGOs has built up an operational reserve of €101,229.32.

*\* This includes salaries for the Coordinator (full-time), the Programme Officer (full-time), an intern (full-time for six months) and three part-time support staff (finance and IT) / \*\* Face-to-face meetings in Brussels: 19–20 January 2015, 8 April 2015 and 4 June 2015 / \*\*\* Training workshop 'Resource Mobilization', 9–10 April 2015, Brussels / \*\*\*\* Multi-thematic strategy workshop 'Strategising and moving forward beyond 2015', 2 November 2015, Oslo / \*\*\*\*\* 2015 conference 'SRHR in the Post-2015 Agenda and Beyond: Mapping the Way Forward', 3–4 November 2015 and 2015 AGM, 4 November 2015, Oslo.*

AN EYE  
**ON THE FUTURE**

WE ARE PROUD TO SHARE OUR **NEW STRATEGY FOR 2016–2020**, WHICH WAS COMPLETED AFTER A NINE-MONTH PARTICIPATORY STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT PROCESS.

## STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE

**TO SUPPORT AND STRENGTHEN THE EFFORTS OF THE BROAD EUROPEAN SRHR COMMUNITY TO ADVANCE SRHR IN A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE.**

## HOW WILL WE GET THERE?

- **WE WILL CONVENE AND CONNECT EUROPEAN NGOS WORKING ON SRHR** among themselves and with other networks, stakeholders and resources.
- **WE WILL FOSTER SYNERGIES AND COMPLEMENTARITY** among individual EuroNGOs members and encourage alliance building between EuroNGOs and other European and international groups working on sustainable development issues.
- **WE WILL STIMULATE ACTION** to ensure a strong and sustainable European network for SRHR in a global perspective.

## GOVERNANCE

The strategic direction and governance of EuroNGOs will continue to be led by a Steering Committee, made up of five elected representatives from full member organizations. We had the pleasure of welcoming three new members to the Steering Committee, appointed at the 2015 Annual General Meeting: Ventsislav Kirkov (Bulgarian Family Planning and Sexual Health Association), Katrin Erlingsen (DSW - Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung) and Annika Malmberg (RFSU - Riksförbundet för sexuell upplysning). Tania Dethlefsen (DFPA/EuroNGOs Chair) and Daniela Draghici (SECS) will continue to serve on the Steering Committee for another year.

## SUSTAINABILITY

The network's financial sustainability was also ensured, thanks to new grants awarded by the Packard Foundation and the Hewlett Foundation.

[Read the full strategy here](#)

WE ARE  
**OUR MEMBERS**

## **AUSTRIA**

**OGF** Österreichische Gesellschaft für Familienplanung

## **BELGIUM**

**FLCPF** Fédération Laïque de Centres de Planning Familial  
**SENSOA** Flemish Expertise Centre for Sexual Health

**EPF** European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development  
**EPWG** European Parliament Working Group on Reproductive Health, HIV/AIDS and Development

## **BULGARIA**

**BFPA** Bulgarian Family Planning and Sexual Health Association

## **DENMARK**

**SEX & SAMFUND** The Danish Family Planning Association

## **FINLAND**

**VÄESTÖLIITTO** The Family Federation of Finland

## **FRANCE**

**EQUILIBRES & POPULATIONS**  
**LE PLANNING FAMILIAL**  
**MÉDECINS DU MONDE**

## **GERMANY**

**DSW** Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung

## **HUNGARY**

**BOCS** BOCS Foundation

## **IRELAND**

**IFPA** Irish Family Planning Association

## **ITALY**

**AIDOS** Associazione italiana donne per lo sviluppo

## **LATVIA**

**PAPARDES ZIEDS** Latvia's Association for Family Planning and Sexual Health

## **LITHUANIA**

**FPSHA** Family Planning and Sexual Health Association of Lithuania

## **THE NETHERLANDS**

**RUTGERS WPF**  
**DANCE4LIFE INTERNATIONAL**

## **NORWAY**

**SEX OG POLITIKK** Norwegian Association for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

## **POLAND**

**FEDERA** Polish Federation for Women and Family Planning

## **PORTUGAL**

**P&D FACTOR** Associação para a Cooperação sobre População e Desenvolvimento

## **ROMANIA**

**SECS** Societatea de Educatie Contraceptiva si Sexuala

## **SPAIN**

**APS** Alianza por la Solidaridad  
**FPFE** Federación de Planificación Familiar Estatal

## **SWEDEN**

**RFSU** Riksförbundet för sexuell upplysning

## **SWITZERLAND**

**IFPD** International Foundation for Population and Development  
**SANTE SEXUELLE SUISSE**  
**- SEXUELLE GESUNDHEIT**  
**SCHWEIZ - SALUTE SESSUALE**  
**SVIZZERA**

## **TURKEY**

**WWHR** Women For Women's Human Rights – New Ways

## **UNITED KINGDOM**

**COMMAT** Commonwealth Medical Trust  
**MSI** Marie Stopes International  
**PLAN UK**  
**REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH MATTERS**  
**YOU ACT** European Youth Network on Sexual and Reproductive Rights  
**APPGPDRH** All-Party Parliamentary Group on Population, Development and Reproductive Health, UK  
**POPULATION AND SUSTAINABILITY NETWORK**



# A BIG THANK YOU

## OUR WORK WOULD NOT BE POSSIBLE WITHOUT:

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**THE MEMBERS OF OUR STEERING COMMITTEE**: Tania Dethlefsen, DFPA/EuroNGOs Chair; Daniela Draghici, SECS; Ragnhild Nordvik, representing Sex og Politikk as the 2015 conference host; as well as Yvonne Bogaarts, Rutgers WPF, and Julia Schalk, RFSU, who ended their mandate in November 2015; Vicky Claeys, IPPF EN, and Sietske Steneker, UNFPA Brussels, who are **OBSERVERS** on the Steering Committee;

**INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION EUROPEAN NETWORK** (IPPF EN) and its staff, serving as EuroNGOs fiscal agent, hosting our Secretariat and providing support staff for finance and IT;

**THE ORGANIZATIONS CO-HOSTING OUR WORKSHOPS**: DSW (Resource Mobilization workshop), Countdown 2015 Europe, European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development, IPPF EN, Population and Sustainable Development Alliance and RFSU ('Strategising and moving forward beyond 2015' workshop); and

**BENEDETTA PAGOTTO**, who finished four years of brilliant service with EuroNGOs at the end of 2015.

**Thank you for your continued support and collaboration!**

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