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The European NGOs for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Population and Development

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Hot Topics

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[XSecond session of Intergovernmental negotiations on Post-2015 on Declaration](#)



The second of eight scheduled sessions of the negotiation on the post-2015 agenda convened from 17-20 February. It focused on the declaration component of the outcome document that will be adopted at the September 2015 Summit.

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[Means of Implementations: key messages from the High Level Debate](#)



On 9-10 February, the President of the UN General Assembly, Ambassador Sam Kutesa, convened the High-Level Thematic Debate on 'Means of Implementation for a Transformative Post-2015 Development Agenda' that focused on the mobilization of adequate means of implementation for the post-2015 and the participation of parliamentarians and local authorities in implementation and monitoring the post-2015.

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[Preparing for the 59th Commission on the Status of Women](#)



Preparations are under way for the 59th Commission on the Status of Women, to be held from 9 to 20 March at UN Headquarters and reviewing global implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action (PoA) and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women.

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Focus on Europe

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[European Commission unveils its position on means of implementation after](#)

[SDSN revised draft: "Indicators and a monitoring framework for Sustainable Development Goals: Launching a data revolution for the SDGs"](#)

Following the 2-week public consultation, to which EuroNGOs contributed in January 2015, the Sustainable Development Solutions Network issued a revised working draft which will serve as input to the Expert Group Meeting on SDG Indicators, which will be held in conjunction with the UN Statistical Commission.

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[Updates on Indicators Development](#)

The UN Statistical Division held an Expert Group Meeting on the indicator framework for the post-2015 development in New York and it shared: background information on the list of proposed indicators and a list of proposed preliminary indicators.

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[Adding It Up 2014: The Costs and Benefits of Investing in Sexual and Reproductive Health](#)

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[Hewlett Blog post: Financing the Data Revolution—Elements for Success](#)

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["A Road Map for a Country-led Data Revolution"](#)

The PARIS21 roadmap

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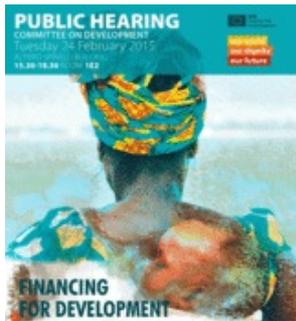


'A Global Partnership for Poverty Eradication and Sustainable Development after 2015' is the new communication of the European Commission released on 5 February. The Communication sets out the views of the Commission on the principles and components necessary for the implementation of the post-2015 agenda and is expected to lead to Conclusions from the Council in spring 2015.

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European Parliament: public hearing discusses development financing



On 24 February the European Parliament Committee on Development (DEVE) held a public hearing to discuss financing for development.

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European Parliament calls for inclusion of non-discrimination clause in future agreement with ACP states



On 11 February, the European Parliament adopted a report in which it calls for inclusion of non-discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity in a future agreement with African, Caribbean and Pacific (ACP) states.

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Eurongos Updates

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New EuroNGOs Toolkit on accountability for the post-2015



Our new toolkit "Accountability for the post-2015 framework. A set of core resources for SRHR advocates worldwide" was launched earlier this month. The toolkit is for members of the EuroNGOs and other civil society organizations that want to address the accountability deficit of global development policies as a matter of urgent priority.

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EuroNGOs' most recent advocacy actions



In February we have joined forces with our European partners to develop common asks around the Declaration component of the post-

outlines opportunities and key moments to capitalize on the current momentum and improve data worldwide. The report is still a draft and comments are welcomed.

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PARTICIPATE to ECOSOC e-discussion

"Managing the transition from the Millennium Development Goals to the sustainable development goals: What it will take". Opened until 17 March 2015.

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Last weeks to register for 48th session of CPD

The 48th session of the Commission on Population and Development will take place from 13 - 17 April 2015, with theme "Realizing the future we want: integrating population issues into sustainable development, including in the post-2015 development agenda".

Key Deadlines: NGO registration: 31 March 2015; NGO oral statements: 10 April 2015; Registration for side events: 6 April 2015.

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Fund for Gender Equality issues call for proposals

UN Women's Fund for Gender Equality announces its third Call for Proposals. It welcomes submissions from women-led civil society organizations with innovative, high-impact, and multi-stakeholder women's rights and gender equality programmes that help jumpstart progress towards the Post-2015 Development Agenda. Online application process, open from 9 March to 5 April 2015.

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Funds available under "Saving Lives At Birth: A Grand Challenge For Development"

USAID, the Government of Norway, the Bill & Melinda



2015 intergovernmental negotiations, which was addressed by UN Member States on 17-20 February. We also took up an important call from the International Federation of Gynecology and Obstetrics (FIGO) to the World Health Organization (WHO).

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[Mark your calendars: EuroNGOs conference 2015](#)



We are happy to announce that the 2015 EuroNGOs International Conference will take place the first week of November in Oslo.

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News from Members and Partners

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[Bulgarian NGOs sign agreement with Ministry of Foreign Affairs](#)



10 February 2015 will be remembered as a key date for development cooperation in Bulgaria as the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Bulgarian Platform for International Development (BPID) signed the first ever Memorandum of Understanding. Ventzislav Kirkov, Chair of the BPID board and advocacy manager of our member BFPA, signed the agreement at the official ceremony.

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[Negotiations on Post-2015 Declaration: Commat calls for a Declaration that ensures the achievement of all human rights](#)



On 19 February, our colleague Marianne Haslegrave, Director of our member the Commonwealth Medical Trust (United Kingdom) made a statement during the Interactive Dialogue with Major Groups and other stakeholders, during second session of the post-2015 intergovernmental negotiations on the post-2015, which focused on the declaration.

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Gates Foundation, Grand Challenges Canada, and DFID seek innovative ideas that can leapfrog conventional approaches in three main domains: (1) technology; (2) service delivery; and (3) “demand side” innovation that empowers pregnant women and their families to practice healthy behaviors and be aware of and access health care during pregnancy, childbirth and the early postnatal period, especially the first two days after birth. Proposals due 27 March 2015.

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[Save the date for International Development Forum in Latvia](#)

The Latvian Presidency in EU will organize a Development Forum from 3rd to 5th of June, 2015. It will emphasize the idea of glocalization as the key to sustainable development in local to global levels. Register now!

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