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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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[High Level Political Forum meets to discuss implementation of the SDGs](#)



The High Level Political Forum on the Sustainable Development Goals opened its third meeting on 26th June in New York, discussing the theme "Strengthening integration, implementation and review - the HLPF after 2015", and will end 8th July. This year's session is of crucial importance, as the forum will be responsible for reviewing and following-up on the implementation of the post-2015 development agenda.

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[Financing for development: updates from the 3rd drafting session](#)



The third and final intersessional drafting session of the outcome document of the Financing for Development process took place 15th-22nd June in New York. As this was the final drafting session before the Third International Conference for Financing for Development (FfD3), to be held 13th-16th July 2015 in Addis Ababa, consensus on the final document was considered paramount.

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[Zero draft of the outcome document for the UN Post-2015 Summit released](#)



On 1st June, co-chairs of the intergovernmental negotiations released the zero draft of the outcome document for the UN Summit on the Post-2015 Development Agenda, to be adopted in September at the UN General Assembly. Whilst it contains positive reference to gender equality, there is a need to strengthen the language on sexual and reproductive rights.

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04-06-2015

[Developing the post-2015 indicator framework: first meeting of the Inter-Agency and Expert Group](#)



The UN Statistical Commission Inter-Agency and Expert Group on the Sustainable Development

[Global Financing Facility to be launched at the Third Financing for Development Conference in Addis Ababa \(13-15 July\)](#)

The new financing facility will support the Every Woman Every Child initiative and is expected to be the most important new funding mechanism for reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health for the SDGs and the post-2015 Agenda. Developed under the guidance of the GFF Working Group outside of the UN system, it will be convened by the World Bank with the GFF Investors Group as decision-making body.

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[UN Gender Statistics Manual](#)

Useful and comprehensive resource integrating a gender perspective into statistics, aiming to provide the methodological and analytical information necessary to improving the availability, quality and use of gender statistics in countries with less developed statistical systems

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[Gender and Development Network briefing](#)

Making Financing for Development Work for Gender Equality: What is needed at Addis and beyond

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[World Health Organisation report](#)



Goals (IAEG-SDGs) held its first meeting on 1st-2nd June. The purpose of the IAEG is to develop an indicator framework for the monitoring of the goals and targets of the post-2015 agenda; this first session also aimed to establish the working methods of the group and agree the way forward.

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Focus on Europe

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European donors could better fulfil commitments to aid transparency



The 2015 EU Aid Transparency Review, recently launched by Publish What You Fund, shows that a lot needs to be done to fulfil EU commitments for aid transparency and cementing its role as a global leader in development aid. Despite a critical mass of donors publishing information using the International Aid Transparency Initiative (IATI) Standard, efforts are likely to be overcome by a lack of transparency on the part of major European donors.

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European Parliament adopts urgent resolution relating to 10 year old rape survivor in Paraguay



On 11th June, the European Parliament adopted an urgent resolution with strong language on sexual and reproductive health and rights, calling upon Paraguay to ensure safe and legal abortion when the health or life of a pregnant woman is in danger.

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2015 European Development Days emphasise gender equality



The 2015 European Development Days (EDD15), held from 3rd-4th June in Brussels, have been hailed as the flagship event of the European Year of Development, echoing its motto: "Our world, our dignity, our future." Approximately 6000 people took part in EDD15, addressing issues related to sustainable growth, the promotion of universal and fundamental rights, and how to reduce inequality through international cooperation.

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Eurongos Updates

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Invitation to organise side events at our International Conference

Preparations for the EuroNGOs conference are

Sexual health, human rights and the law

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Annual EU Accountability report on Financing for Development 2015

Published by the European Commission

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European Institute for Gender Equality

EIGE's Gender Equality Index 2015 - Measuring gender equality in the European Union 2005-2012

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Joint CSO Statement commenting on Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health

Over 60 CSOs, including several EuroNGOs members, signed a joint statement on the importance of including safe and legal abortion as a key approach in Round 2 of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health

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Amnesty International report

She is not a criminal: the impact of Ireland's abortion law

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Guttmacher Institute article

Political interference impedes effectiveness of US International Family Planning Assistance

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ONE's Data Report 2015

Putting the Poorest First

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First briefing note of CEBBS Task Force

European Women's Lobby Task Force on Central Europe, the Balkans and



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in full swing, and guidelines for organising side events have been released, with participation open to all conference participants.

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Steering Committee meets in Brussels



On 4th June our Steering Committee had a face meeting in Brussels and discussed the future strategic direction of EuroNGOs.

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News from Members and Partners

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AIDOS holds conference on Early and Forced Marriage



Our Italian member AIDOS, the Italian Association for Women in Development, held a conference on Early and Forced Marriage on 23rd June at the Italian Parliament, in conjunction with the Italian All Party Parliamentary Group on Global Health and Women's Rights.

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Equilibres & Populations co-organised a regional consultation of CSOs in the Ouagadougou Partnership



Our member Equilibres & Populations (France) organised a regional consultation with Civil Society Organisations and Coalitions held 3rd-5th June in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. The consultation was held in collaboration with the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) and the Ouagadougou Partnership.

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European Development Days: our members' event on SRHR



A number of our members contributed to the 2015 European Development Days in Brussels, with several co-hosting a debate on 3rd June about the benefits of advancing the sexual and reproductive health and rights agenda for youth empowerment, inclusive growth and sustainable

the Baltic States for the EU's Equality Between Women and Men Strategy

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