



EuroNGOs Newsletter

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



November 2015



Hot Topics

23-11-2015

[Diverting ODA to cover domestic costs?](#)



This month the UN Secretary General underscored twice the importance of funding both efforts to care for refugees and asylum seekers in host countries and sustainable development commitments.

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[UNGA discusses refugee crisis and migration flows](#)

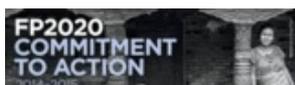


Earlier this month the UN General Assembly (UNGA) held two important meetings related to the humanitarian and refugee crises, with specific focus on the Mediterranean basin. Discussions highlighted the need to increase synergies between humanitarian and development work and mentioned the potential of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development as a way to address the deeper causes of migration.

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[FP2020: latest progresses and challenges](#)



Released on 12th November, "Commitment to Action 2014-2015" is the new report from Family Planning 2020 (FP2020), keeping track of the

[Open consultation on proposed global SDG indicators coded as 'grey', indicating that further discussion on them is still needed](#)

The consultation will be open from 9 December to 15 December to both observers (non-IAEG Member States and representatives of regional commissions and regional and international agencies) and other stakeholders (civil society, academia and private sector) for technical comments.

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[Gutmacher Policy Review](#)

"Onward to 2030: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in the Context of the Sustainable Development Goals"

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[Responses to the UNDESA questionnaire 'Critical milestones towards a coherent, efficient, and inclusive follow-up and review of the 2030 Agenda at the global level'.](#)

Stakeholder inputs and submissions are now available online.



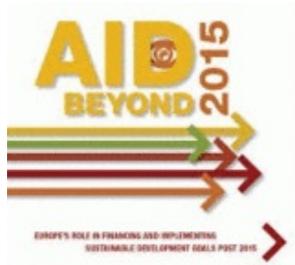
initiative and looking at experiences and services provided in each focus country. Since the London Summit on Family Planning, there has been significant progress but that there is a need to go further to achieve the goals set in 2012.

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Focus on Europe

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AidWatch report: a challenging start for Europe on Agenda 2030



The latest AidWatch report “Looking to the future, don’t forget the past – aid beyond 2015” was released earlier this month. For its tenth edition, the report takes stock of what the EU has achieved and warns member states that the real work with Agenda 2030 starts now.

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How the EU can be a frontrunner of sustainable development?



The Independent Expert Group on the “Follow-up to Rio+20, notably the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)” that was established by the European Commission to provide advice on the role of science, technology and innovation for implementing the new global sustainable development agenda, has released its report “The role of science, technology and innovation policies to foster the implementation of the Sustainable Development Goals”.

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Implementing the 2030 Agenda in Europe



The European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the European Environmental Bureau (EEB) jointly organised on 12th and 13th November a conference titled “Sustainable Development Goals-Implementation in Europe”. Attracting over 200 participants, the meeting called on the EU to fully adhere to the 2030 Agenda and to set clear strategies and actions for its implementation at European level.

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Eurongos Updates

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EuroNGOs convenes civil society to discuss the way forward after the UN post-2015 Summit

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New Report: Trends in maternal mortality 1990-2015

Estimates by WHO, UNICEF, UNFPA, World Bank Group and the United Nations Population Division

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The Measure of Progress: How Human Rights Should Inform the SDG Indicators

The new CESR briefing explores how human rights should inform the selection of SDG indicators.

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European Think Tank

Climate change: The European Union towards COP21 and beyond

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The Women’s Global Call for Climate Justice

Campaign Toolkit now live

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Why Women Will Save the Planet

The book is a collection of articles written by a range of academics, activists, and industry and political leaders, which forms part of a three-year research project called Big Ideas Change the World. Our member PSN has contributed to the book.

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COP21: building an unprecedented and sustainable agreement

Iddri working paper, by Michel Colombier

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UN Women Guidebook on CEDAW General Recommendation No. 30 and the UN Security Council Resolutions on Women, Peace and Security



160 participants from 43 countries accepted EuroNGOs and Sex og Politikk invite to meet in Oslo on 3rd and 4th November around the theme "SRHR in the post-2015 agenda and beyond: mapping the way forward". This was the first SRHR civil society led forum on the Agenda 2030 after the 25-27 September UN Summit and a unique opportunity to discuss the results achieved and the lessons learnt from the post-2015 journey, as a strategic exercise to move forward in the implementation of the new agenda.

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[SRHR civil society strategies on the pressing issues of the day at EuroNGOs workshop](#)



On 2nd November, 89 leading civil society advocates from 62 organisations attended the EuroNGOs strategy workshop: "Strategising and moving forward beyond 2015". This multi-thematic meeting addressed three issues of relevance for SRHR advocates working at European and international levels: sexual rights in the European political landscape, SRHR and climate change, and SRHR in the financing for development discourse.

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[New 2016-2020 strategy adopted at EuroNGOs Annual General Meeting](#)



45 colleagues from 26 full and 2 associate members gathered for the EuroNGOs Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 4th November to discuss governance issues and strategise on steps forward for the network. This year's AGM was of great importance to EuroNGOs moving beyond 2015, with the adoption of a new strategy 2016-2020, discussions around its implementation and elections of three new Steering Committee members.

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06-11-2015

[PRESS RELEASE: Civil society is crucial for achieving the Sustainable Development Goals](#)



(Oslo, Norway, 6 November 2015). As the world is taking on the most ambitious global development goals ever, to eradicate poverty and build a sustainable future, the efforts of civil society is crucial. European and international NGOs working on sexual and reproductive rights issues in development cooperation gathered in Oslo for the 2015 EuroNGOs conference, hosted by Sex og Politikk (The Norwegian Association for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights), expressed concern about the budget proposal for 2016 by the Norwegian government.

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[Médecins du Monde and Reproductive Health Matters join EuroNGOs](#)



EuroNGOs is pleased to welcome two new members to the network: Médecins du Monde (France) and Reproductive Health Matters (United Kingdom).

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News from Members and Partners

04-11-2015

Young advocates gather in Paris to « speak up ! » for SRHR in Europe



From November 20th to 23rd, our French member Le Planning Familial organized a European seminar on youth and SRHR in Paris : « Speak up ! Enhancing youth activism for SRHR ». The event aimed to exchange practices on how to enhance youth engagement and participation in SRHR advocacy and policies.

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New report: “We want to learn about good love”



Plan UK has released a new report assessing the links between comprehensive sexuality education and violence against women and girls. It explores comprehensive sexuality education as a key mechanism to promote gender equality, shift harmful social norms and prevent violence against women and girls (VAWG).

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24-11-2015

Danish government cuts SRHR initiatives



The new Danish center-right government, supported by three other parties, has recently cut the ODA level from 0.87% of GNI in 2015 to 0.71% of GNI in 2016. The cuts have been proposed in order to use the funds for domestic priorities within health care, tax releases and other areas. In addition, the government and its supporting parties decided on a general 26% cut on Danish civil society organizations including our member the Danish Family Planning Association.

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