



International Conference on Family Planning (ICFP)

Faith Pre-Conference: The role of faith communities in family planning advocacy and services towards achieving the Sustainable Development

Goals

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Sunday, January 24, 2016 (8h30 – 17h00)

Monday, January 25, 2016 (8h30 – 14h00)

Location: Nusa Dua Convention Center, Mengwi Room
Bali, Indonesia

Agenda:

Goal: The attendees will become active participants in the implementation of the post-2015 SDG family planning agenda at national and international levels.

Objectives:

1. Encourage and develop relationships and partnerships among religious leaders, faith-based organizations, and secular organizations engaged in family planning.
2. Increase understanding of the connection between faith values and family planning priorities among the participants.
3. Provide evidence and showcase best practices of faith-based involvement in family planning.
4. Develop recommendations for the implementation of the post-2015 SDG agenda, specifically related to FP within faith communities, including the need to contextualize strategies and solutions.
5. Attendees will develop advocacy commitments:
 - a. To work with partners to influence governments to fund FP in their countries.
 - b. To advocate for FP services in their religious institutions (churches, mosques, health facilities, etc.) and communities.

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8h30-9h00 Arrive and Check-in for pre-conference

Please note: Breakfast will not be provided

9h00-10h30 Welcome, Introductions and Interfaith prayer

1. Interfaith prayer
2. Welcome:
 - o Rev. Canon Grace Kaiso, Chair of Faith to Action Steering Council and General Secretary of Council of Anglican Provinces of Africa
 - o Mr. Jose “Oying” Ramon II, Director, Bill & Melinda Gates Institute for Population and Reproductive Health
3. Introductions
4. Overview of linkages between FP and the SDGs and faith values
 - o Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, UNFPA

10h30-12h00 Plenary Session I: Governments partnering with faith-based organizations – opportunities, lessons and way forward

1. Ambassador Lambert Grijns, Dutch Ministry of Foreign Affairs: Dutch government experiences partnering with faith-based organizations.
2. Dr. Abdul Mukti, Muhammadiyah: Indonesian Government support for provision of FP/RH services through FBOs: The experiences of Muhammadiyah.
3. Ms. Karen Sichinga, Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP) and Churches Health Association of Zambia (CHAZ): How Christian Health Associations in Africa engage with governments on family planning.

12h00-13h30 Group Photo, Lunch and Networking

13h30-14h00 Plenary Session II: Presenting research on faith-based involvement in family planning

1. Ms. Lauren VanEnk, Institute for Reproductive Health at Georgetown University: Faith-Based Organizations as Partners in Family Planning: Working Together to Improve Family Well-being

14h00-16h00pm Plenary Session III: Identifying faith-based contributions to SDGs through family planning

- Small group discussions

16h00-16h45 Small Group Presentations: groups share their top 3 points from previous session

16h45-17h00pm Summary of Day 1; Preview of Day 2

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8h30-8h45 Opening Overview & Prayers

8h45-10h00 Plenary Session IV: Improving access to family planning via faith-based organizations and religious leaders (Panel).

1. Dr. Ahmed Ragab, Al Azhar University: The caravan experience: How Al Azhar is influencing views of Muslim leaders.
2. Ms. Cynthia Nyakwama, World Vision Kenya: Channels of Hope in Kenya.
3. Ms. Geertje Mensvoort, Cordaid: Providing SRH services in fragile states: experiences, lessons and future considerations.
4. Mr. Pak Cholil Nafis, Chairman FAPSEDU: Improving Access to Family Planning: Contributions of faith community in Indonesia.
 - a. FAPSEDU is a national faith network supported by Badan Kependudukan dan Keluarga Berencana Nasional (BKKBN), the National Family Planning Coordinating Board in Indonesia

10h00-11h30: Providing faith-based input to the SDGs

- Working session to share the 'statement' created after Sunday's small group session and receive feedback

11h30-11h45 Break

11h45-13h00 Advocacy Strategy working session– Thinking beyond ICFP 2016: Developing & Implementing Advocacy Strategies

- Working session for each organization/religious leader represented to have time to work on their own action plan while at the meeting.
- Ms. Wendy Turnbull, PAI: Presentation on FP2020 goals, how faith leaders can be involved, what countries have commitments or not, and how to create an advocacy strategy.

13h00-14h00 Lunch, Networking and Closing