



Achieving Gender Equality and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights - International Advocacy challenges and opportunities in 2020 & 2021

Share-Net Netherlands and WO=MEN Dutch Gender Platform, in collaboration with Rutgers, Dance4Life, Simavi and CHOICE for Youth & Sexuality kindly invite you to this upcoming virtual meeting on International advocacy challenges and opportunities in 2020 and 2021.

Background

The community of practice (CoP) on multilateral processes invites you to a conversation about recent developments and expectations related to specific UN advocacy processes. Last year required us to adapt to a changing advocacy landscape, with different challenges and opportunities for civil society engagement. In this meeting we aim to bring together our lessons learned and strategise around our engagements for gender equality and sexual and reproductive health and rights in 2021. Speakers from CSO's and the Ministries of Education, Culture and Science (OCW) and Foreign Affairs (BZ) will inspire participants to kick-start knowledge sharing and effective collaborations for (remote) advocacy.

Objectives

- To reflect on 2020: What were the key challenges and opportunities and what lessons can we learn for 2021?
- To update Share-Net and WO=MEN members about the upcoming UN processes;
- To explore how we can create more effective advocacy opportunities in 2021.

Target audience

This meeting is primarily organised for members of Share-Net Netherlands and WO=MEN and other SRHR, women's rights and gender equality advocacy organisations. The virtual meeting is open to all interested participants.



Invitation and Programme

19 January 2021

13.00 – 14.30 CET

Online via Zoom

Please RSVP via the following [link](#).

Programme

13.00 - 13.10

Welcome and Introduction

By Yvonne Bogaarts (Advocacy Manager, Rutgers)

Looking back

13.10 – 13.20

Setting the scene

By Evi van den Dungen (Senior Advocacy Advisor, Rutgers) and Poppy Stanbury (Advocacy Coordinator, CHOICE for Youth & Sexuality)

In a short conversation, the most important advocacy moments and developments of CSW, CPD, HLPF, Beijing+25 from 2020 will be discussed, including the impact of COVID-19 (measures) on civil society participation.

13.20 – 13.35

Breakout rooms: CSW, CPD, HLPF and Beijing+25

Facilitated by Multilateral Processes CoP members

In smaller group, participants share their challenges and best practices with regards to the respective advocacy process in 2020

13.35 – 13.40

Reporting back from Breakout rooms

- Short break-

Looking forward

13.45 – 14.10

Panel discussion on upcoming processes and updates for 2021

Moderated by Nadia van der Linde (WO=MEN) with Basim Al Alousi (Ministry of Education, Culture and Science), Rineke van Dam and Cornelieke Keizer (Ministry of Foreign Affairs - TBC) and Quirine Lengkeek (NGO representative to CSW)

In this discussion, the most important moments in 2021 will be addressed including CSW, CPD, Beijing +25 (Generation Equality Forum and Action Coalitions).

14.10 – 14.25

Q&A and discussion

14.25 – 14.30

Main conclusions and closing

By Yvonne Bogaarts (Advocacy Manager, Rutgers)