Provisional programme

Monday, 1 October 2018

8:30 – 10:00 Accreditation

Opening plenary session

10:00 – 10:25 Opening
Ms. Olga Algayerova, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, UNECE
Mr. Dereje Wordofa, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director, UNFPA

10:25 – 10:40 Adoption of the agenda and election of the co-chairs
Nominees:
H.E. Ms. Irina Kostevich, Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus
H.E. Ms. Deyana Kostadinova, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva
H.E. Ms. Rosemary McCarney, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations at Geneva

10:40 – 11:25 ICPD 25 years later: Recommitting to the vision of Cairo
Chair:
H.E. Ms. Deyana Kostadinova, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva

Speakers:
Ms. Sarah Kennell, Canada, Youth delegate at the ICPD Beyond 2014 Regional Conference
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09:30 – 10:45  Second thematic session: Families, sexual and reproductive health over the life course

Chair:
H.E. Ms. Rosemary McCarney, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations at Geneva

Panellists:
Mr. Olivier Degomme, International Centre for Reproductive Health Scientific Director, Ghent University
H.E. Ms. Marie-Pierre Rixain, President of Parliamentary Commission on Women’s Rights, France
H.E. Ms. Anda Čakša, Minister of Health, Latvia (TBC)
H.E. Mr. Simon Harris, TD, Minister for Health of the Republic of Ireland (TBC)
Mr. Vinay Saldanha, Director, Regional Support Team for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, UNAIDS
Ms. Lena Luyckfasseel, Deputy Regional Director, IPPF European Network

Discussion and questions from the audience

10:45 – 11:15  Coffee break

11:15 – 12:15  Statements by member States, experts, CSOs (by subscription)
12:15 – 12:25  Rapporteur’s summary of the second thematic session
12:30  Closing of the second thematic session

12:30 – 14:30  Lunch break

14:30 – 15:45  Third thematic session: Inequalities, social inclusion and rights

Chair:
H.E. Ms. Deyana Kostadinova, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Bulgaria to the United Nations in Geneva

Panellists:
Ms. Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Vice-chair, CEDAW and Director of the Ruth and Emanuel Rackman International Center for the Advancement of the Status of Women and Associate Professor, Bar-Ilan University, Israel
Ms. Claudia Lam, Acting Executive Secretary Secretariat of ECRI Council of Europe Directorate General of Human Rights and Legal Affairs-DGHLs
Ms. Oleksandra Churkina, Deputy Minister for European Integration, Ministry of Social Policy, Ukraine (TBC)
Ms. Nesime Selioska, Executive Director of Roma SOS-Prilep, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

**Sweden** (TBC)

Discussion and questions from the audience

15:45 – 16:20  **Statements by member States, experts, CSOs** (by subscription)

16:20 – 16:30  **Rapporteur’s summary of the third thematic session**

16:30  **Closing of the third thematic session**

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**Closing plenary session**

Chair:

H.E. Ms. Irina Kostevich, Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Belarus

16:30 – 16:45  **Highlights from the Conference discussions**

H.E. Ms. Rosemary McCarney, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations at Geneva

16:45 – 17:00  **ICPD+25 Global review – regional inputs**

Mr. Ramiz Alakbarov, Director of Programme and Strategy Division, UNFPA New York

17:00 – 17:10  **Draft report of the Conference**

Ms. Vitalija Gaucaite Wittich, Chief of Population Unit, UNECE

17:10 – 17:30  **Closing**

Ms. Olga Algayerova, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Secretary, UNECE

Ms. Alanna Armitage, Regional Director for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, UNFPA

17:30  **Closing of the Conference**