

Board of Trustees
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Agenda Item: THE YOUTH FORUM RESOLUTION TO THE 2022 GA

Summary:

The new Strategy of IPPF has a strong commitment with youth action in our mission to advance sexual and reproductive health and rights for all, especially those in marginalized and excluded communities. We live in a time where youth is the most diverse generation in terms of ethnicity, race, sexuality and gender identity.¹

As a result of the active participation of youth delegates representing the governance of their member associations in the General Assembly, the Board of Trustees has requested that the secretariat aligns to the strategy with 10 specific actions. Progress is presented in this document.

Action Required:

The Board to note progress on planned implementation of the Board’s response to the Youth Forum’s resolution to the GA.

¹ University of Cape Town and Oxford, “Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights in 2030: https://ippfstrategy2028.org/wpcontent/uploads/2022/01/Research-Report_IPPF-Future-Clients.pdf; Gallup, 2021: <https://news.gallup.com/poll/329708/lgbt-identification-rises-latest-estimate.aspx>

We are presenting the progress in table format.

Action (Youth Forum resolution)	Progress
<p>Allocate basic core funding against specific business cases, as part of the re-aligned 2023-25 budget to be presented in Quarter 2, 2023, in order to enable the coordination and work of six regional youth networks.</p>	<p>The investment vouchers and regional meetings will be used to strengthen the youth networks at the regional level.</p> <p>We have included a Youth Network Officer in each Regional Office to ensure support.</p> <p>Specific business cases to be produced once officer's in place.</p>
<p>Ensure MA's involve youth in the design of their MA business cases</p>	<p>We will design a communications plan for the BP 2024 of MAs to incentive that youth networks and MAs leadership involve youth.</p>
<p>Take concrete steps to advance inclusion of marginalized young people in all measures under the Strategy directed to enhancing the participation of youth and youth-led accountability across IPPF and our accountability to them</p>	<p>An intergenerational task force will be put in place including youth from the General Assembly process with the aim of institutionalize the youth perspective² in the secretariat and the MAs.</p>
<p>Ensure active, diverse, youth engagement in the Federation-wide development of the IPPF Charter, in the Identity and Brand process and in efforts to widen action on our promise to an actively, deliberately anti racist IPPF.</p>	<p>We have:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • On-boarded a Charter Co-Lead with expertise in youth engagement to support the design and delivery of Charter consultations. • Facilitated in-person and virtual participation of young people in the first Charter and Rebrand Consultation in Bangkok, Thailand. • Built youth engagement in the concept notes and planning for regional and virtual consultations, with three global virtual youth consultations scheduled across the year, and youth participants invited to be part of MA delegations to regional consultations. • Confirmed the selection of a creative agency that has demonstrated a commitment to working in partnership with young people to deliver the Rebrand. <p>We are currently finalising a youth engagement framework to guide the participation of youth, to ensure a coordinated and ethical approach to partnering with young people in moving the identity Initiative forward. Meanwhile, as we kick off our series of consultative webinars, youth representatives are scheduled to set the scene for virtual participants as speakers giving opening remarks.</p>

² Youth perspective is a concept promoted by youth movements, which seek to make visible the barriers they face in order to participate, be taken into account and exercise their rights due to the scheme of adult-centred oppression on which societies have been built in history. It seeks to insert the realities, problems, needs and opinions of young people in the public agenda, from the voices of the youths, to promote intergenerational articulation and eradicate the discourses that legitimize the conditioning of rights.

<p>Incorporate youth involvement in IPPF digital communications and educational strategies including in comprehensive sexuality education.</p>	<p>There are new roles in the structure to bring youth to the digital communication strategies. Youth involvement in IPPF is one of the key elements of the new role of Youth Networker. CSE Centres of Excellence will continue to be platforms to engage youth participation.</p>
<p>Utilise regional youth networks and platforms, and the Youth Consortia, to engage in learning programmes both across those regional networks and across Member Associations.</p>	<p>An intergenerational task force will be put in place including youth from the General Assembly process with the aim of institutionalize the youth perspective in the secretariat and the MAs.</p> <p>The actual process of realignment of the secretariat has a specific quota of youth to be recruited to ensure inclusion and a clear development plan.</p>
<p>Explore, propose, and develop mentorship opportunities to enable intergenerational growth.</p>	
<p>Develop tools and learning opportunities and promote sharing of best practices also from outside IPPF, to enhance the participation of youth in governance spaces.</p>	
<p>Establish transparent and measurable milestones and fully utilise the indicators in the results framework to monitor and evaluate progress against IPPF's youth-centred commitments under the "Come Together" Strategy 2028.</p>	
<p>Remind the Secretariat and MAs in each country that there must be safe spaces for all youth, where their participation is embraced and encouraged with safeguarding measures, training and development opportunities put in place to guarantee this.</p>	