Executive Committee convenes in Brussels

The Executive Committee met in Brussels for their first in-person meeting of 2014. Over two days, Committee members reviewed progress on the development of the Coalition's Strategy and Terms of Reference; heard about achievements since the Delhi meeting, discussed plans underway for this year's Membership meeting in Mexico and deliberated options for Executive and Coalition meetings in 2015. The group also learned of work underway within USAID to develop a family planning measure and benchmark for the post-2015 period: “at least 75 percent of the demand for FP satisfied with modern contraceptives in all countries by 2030.” The indicator can be disaggregated in different ways including equity, age, and education. Achieving the benchmark would achieve significant convergence between developing countries and developed countries in terms of access to family planning. A summary of the Executive Committee meeting’s key decisions will be circulated later this month.

Sixty partners push to deliver on promises in Kampala

Sixty partners met last April in Kampala to accelerate progress towards achieving national commitments to RH commodity security. Leveraging the Coalition’s solid track-record at creating a neutral space for open discussion and dialogue, Drs. Moses Muwonge and Jotham Musinguzi—both members of the Coalition’s Executive Committee—invited...

Coalition Chair speaks on Reproductive Choice at TEDx.

Coalition Chair Dr. Marleen Temmerman addressed TEDx Liège’s event on the importance of choice in reproductive health. “Choice is not a luxury,” Dr. Temmerman said, in the presentation which shared her experiences of working in Kenya’s Pumwani Maternity Hospital for several years. “It is a human right.” The event was livestreamed...
Mexico registration open

The Coalition’s 15th General Membership Meeting, co-hosted by Mexico’s Ministry of Health, will take place 23-24 October 2014 at the *Krystal Grand Hotel Reforma Uno*. The Membership Meeting itself will be preceded by three days of preliminary meetings, hosted by the Coalition’s Working Groups, Regional Fora, and Caucuses. Registration information can be found [here](#).

**Photo exhibition in Mexico**

Be part of our story by contributing to a photo exhibition of our members’ work in supplies. Your photos will be presented to invited guests, our co-hosts, the Government of Mexico, and will be part of an online photo-wall for the world to see. Details and instructions can be found [here](#).

**Innovation Fund supports market research on emergency contraception**

An Innovation Fund grant has just been awarded to the *International Consortium for Emergency Contraception* (ICEC) to compile and analyze point-of-sale pricing data for EC across 60 developing countries through a refined survey mechanism distributed across ICEC’s diverse partners. Read more about this project’s aims [here](#).

**FP2020 gives go-ahead to Market Dynamics work plan**

FP2020’s Reference Group formally approved the work plan of its Market Dynamics Working Group (MDWG). The WG, which is co-Chaired by Coalition Director, John Skibiak, and Alan Staple of CHAI, assembles experts from the donor, manufacturing, and social marketing communities to tackle issues in global level market shaping...[more](#)

**Orphaned commodities find new home in UNCoLSC**

Champions for the three contraceptive methods (female condom, emergency contraception, and implants) within the United Nations Commission on Life-Saving Commodities (UNCoLSC) have joined forces under a new FP Technical Resources Team (TRT). Led by the Coalition’s Caucus on New and Underused Reproductive Health Technologies (NURHT), the new TRT reflects the renewed focus of the Commission’s...[more](#)

**CARhs welcomes CHAI as newest member**

The Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI) has become the newest agency to join the Coalition’s Coordinated Assistance for Reproductive Health Supplies (CARhs) group. CHAI’s commitment to working with governments and other country partners to meet the demand for long-acting reversible contraception combined with its access to up-to-date information on national commodity markets are certain to bring new insight into the CARhs group discussions, ensuring access to a broad range of FP products.

**Coalition membership reaches 287 with 12 new members**

- Agence pour le Développement du Marketing Social (ADEMAS), Senegal
- Association Beninoise pour le Marketing Social (ABMS), Benin
- Association des Gestionnaires pour le Développement (AGD), Mauritania
- Centre Régional de Formation, de Recherche et de Plaidoyer en Santé de la Reproduction (CEFOREP), Senegal
- Family Planning Association of India (FPA India)
- Family Planning Association of Nepal (FPAN)
- Kisumu Medical & Education Trust (KMET), Kenya
- Mama Alive Initiatives (MAI), Uganda
- Maternal and Child Health Initiative (MACHI), Uganda
- Planned Parenthood Association of Zambia (PPAZ)
- Qiagen Inc, United States
- Rahnuma-Family Planning Association of Pakistan (R-FPAP)

**SECONAF leverages resources and global connections**

In April, SECONAF and the Mali Directorate of Pharmacy and Medicines hosted a meeting of the national contraceptive security committee (CSC). Still feeling the effects of the country’s recent political turmoil, the committee has suffered from both weak supplies data and limited human resources. The aim of this event, therefore, was to inform the design of a proposed SECONAF initiative to strengthen CSCs in countries where commodity security remains weak and where few viable alternatives exist to support them. Potential interventions include enhanced data reporting into the PPMR and local leadership under the Coalition’s new initiative, Fulfilling Promises. For more information contact SECONAF Regional Facilitator Badara Seye.
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