



## **Thank you for signing!**

Thank you for signing on to the A&AWG GFF Position paper. A total of 269 individuals signed, covering 66 different organizations (NGOs, public and private sector, foundations, and academia) from 57 countries. The signatories and all additional comments were consolidated last week and forwarded to PMNCH as part of their GFF Consultation.

Read the A&A WG's position paper updated with additional feedback from the community [here](#).

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## **New SRHR/FP champions now on the GFF Business Planning Team**

The Business Planning Team, which drives the development of the GFF business plan GFF, can point to a number of new SRHR/FP allies on board. These include Jagdish Upadhyay (UNFPA), Edilberto Loaiza (UNFPA), Jessica Schwartzman (FP2020), John Townsend (Population Council), Rama Lakshminarayanan (WHO), Robert Clay (Save the Children) – all of whom have strong track records at supporting SRHR/FP.

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## Washington and New York host three GFF Consultations

Last week, three separate meetings helped lay the groundwork for greater engagement by the SRHR/FP community in the design and evolution of the new GFF. The first meeting—dubbed a “learning session” by its organizers—took place at the World Bank on Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup>. Materials from that event, can be accessed [here](#). The second meeting took place two days later when PAI and Pathfinder co-hosted representatives of Washington-based USAID Cooperating Agencies. Finally, on Friday, Marie Stopes International (MSI) and UNFPA co-hosted a small roundtable for New York partners. The meetings offered participants an overview of recent developments, an update on the proposed scope of the facility and the opportunity to explore avenues for civil society engagement. Feedback from the two meetings will feed into the broader consultation process (for more information please contact [Wendy Turnbull](#) at PAI, or [Mina Barling](#) at MSI).

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## Engaging those with feet on the ground

While the Coalition works to keep the global community engaged in the GFF business planning process, it is especially critical that that engagement includes our country partners - especially at national level, where the next round of GFF consultations will take place.

The first of these “country-consultations” is planned for the week of the 19<sup>th</sup> of January in Kenya. Both Advance Family Planning and IPPF will be leading the process to get the voices of our country-partners heard. Check the PNMCH website for updated information as it becomes available [www.WomenChildrenPost2015.org](http://www.WomenChildrenPost2015.org). For more information, please contact Lou Compernelle at [lcompernelle@rhsupplies.org](mailto:lcompernelle@rhsupplies.org).

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