Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition General Membership Meeting (GMM) Supply Fellows Scheme - Terms of Reference



# **Scheme Summary**

This project aims to create a fellows scheme whereby both seasoned and young members of the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition (RHSC) are able to share experiences and expertise of working around increasing access to contraceptives for young people and nurture and involve the next generation of young leaders in reproductive health supplies during the RHSC GMM meeting in Dakar in October 2017.

The scheme works in two ways. On the one hand it encourages more seasoned members to support young members during the meeting through technical capacity building, connecting them with relevant stakeholders and providing necessary background information on the structure and the focus of RHSC. On the other hand, young members will give the more senior members the opportunity to learn from first-hand experience what barriers young people are facing and start engaging more directly with youth experts.

## Goal and objectives for the GMM Supply Fellows Scheme

#### Goal

To nurture the next generation of RH leaders by supporting meaningful youth participation in the 2017 RHSC GMM in Dakar, and the development of strong professional and interpersonal relationships between young and seasoned RHSC members.

#### **Objectives**

- > Create time and space for networking and relationship building among young and seasoned members.
- Foster better understanding of youth priorities in RH supplies by enabling information sharing between seasoned and young members.
- > Pave way for a more long-term fellows scheme within RHSC.

## **Participation**

The 'GMM Supply Fellows Scheme' is voluntary and open to all RHSC members attending the 2017 that are part of one of the following target groups:

- Participants under the age of 35 and actively engaged in RH supplies work
- More seasoned RHSC attendees that have participated in RHSC GMM in the past, are active in the Coalition's IMs and know the internal structure of the network well.

Participants agree to support the scheme's objectives and commit to:

> join the pre-Dakar introductory call with all fellows set up by RHSC secretariat.

- have a one to one call before the GMM meeting with matched fellow to set expectations and discuss how best to maximize participation at the meeting.
- > join the informal fellows meet-up during the GMM.
- support their matched fellow during the GMM by facilitating joint activities and initiate networking opportunities.
- > fill in a short survey after the GMM to provide feedback on experiences of the scheme.

## **Selection process**

- Open call for the 'RHSC GMM Supply Fellow's Scheme' is circulated among GMM attendees by August the 18th 2017
- Interested participants respond to the call by providing the necessary information (application form, bio) by September 8th 2017
- 'RHSC GMM Supply Fellows Scheme' leads shortlist and match 10 pairs of fellows on the premise of interest, experience and expectations by September 22nd 2017. The leads will aim to ensure that the fellows selected are, as much as possible, balanced by gender, geographic location and thematic interests.

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For more detailed information on the Scheme itself please read the concept note that can be found here.