

# **CEE Bulletin on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights**

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### **BURNING ISSUE**

#### September 28 - International Safe Abortion Day

This years September 28 was held under the slogans of **normalizing abortion** and "**No more smokescreens, no more labels, no more codes: let's talk abortion**" with two leading platforms – the Women's Global Network for Reproductive Rights and the International Campaign for Women's Right to Safe Abortion leading the mobilisation across the globe. This September 28 the global movement asked governments, policy makers, the international community, friends, families and allies to normalize abortion and abortion services and invited everyone to #Letstalkabortion but also celebrate the successes in abortion rights from the last year.

• <u>ASTRA Network issued a statement</u> to express its solidarity with all women human rights defenders and activists working to ensure abortion rights and demanding that abortion be legal, truly accessible, and safe.

- Speaking ahead of the International Safe Abortion Day, a group of <u>United Nations human</u> rights experts urged governments across the world to decriminalise abortion and enhance their progress towards ensuring the right of every woman or girl to make autonomous decisions about her pregnancy. This is at the very core of her fundamental right to equality, privacy and physical and mental integrity and is a precondition for the enjoyment of other rights and freedoms.
- The <u>Sexual Rights Initiative</u>, <u>Center for Reproductive Rights</u>, <u>Ipas</u>, <u>Youth Coalition for Sexual</u> and <u>Reproductive Rights</u>, <u>ARROW</u>, <u>AWID</u> and the <u>Swedish Association for Sexuality and</u> <u>Education</u> have developed a joint statement on abortion rights. The <u>statement endorsed by</u> <u>223 non-governmental organisations</u> from across the Globe was delivered at the **39th** <u>session of the UN Human Rights Council</u> in Geneva on September 24th. The focus of this statement is abortion rights defenders (including service providers) and abortion stigma. This initiative builds on last year's successful joint CSO statement to the Council when over 285 organizations signed onto the statement.

# **REGIONAL UPDATES**

#### ASTRA delivers civil society statement at the UNECE ICPD+25 Conference

Civil society gathered at the consultation prior to the UNECE regional ICPD+25 conference in Geneva reflected on the progress made during the past five years since ICPD Beyond 2014 in the region and deliberated on how to translate commitments into action and considered priorities for the follow-up.

ASTRA Network representative from Georgia presented the <u>statement of the civil society</u> gathered at the consultation prior to the UNECE Regional Conference on ICPD+25, Enabling Choices: Population Dynamics, on October 1st in Geneva.

The statement talks about sexual and reproductive health and rights and calls on Member States to remove all legal and policy obstacles that undermine human rights in relation to sexuality, reproduction and gender, and that hamper women's access to reproductive health services, including legal abortion. It also touches upon shrinking space for civil society organizations and calls on Member States, UN entities and the private sector to contribute to the creation of an enabling environment where civil society organizations and free academic thinking can participate meaningfully and feed into societal development processes. The statement pushes for creating linkages between the ICPD framework and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and calls on Member States to show their political will by reaffirming their commitment to mobilise more and predictable funding, as agreed in the ICPD Programme of Action; to accelerate its implementation which will in turn contribute to the achievement of sustainable development.

More information about the UNECE Regional Conference on ICPD+25, Enabling Choices: Population Dynamics and Sustainable Development

<u>Civil Society Consultation – Partners for Change</u>

#### Contraception Access White Paper Launch in the European Parliament

MEP Biljana Borzan and MEP Maria Gabriela Zoana (both representing S&D) co-hosted an official launch of EPF's new white paper entitled "Limited Access: Contraception Deficit in Europe" on September 26<sup>th</sup>. This is an advocacy document targeting policy makers from geographical Europe, EU and national levels, as well as other stakeholders (e.g. NGOs, industry, academia) with vested interest in the topic, and in changing the status quo. It was developed as a follow-up to the Contraception Atlas launch events which took place in the European Parliament in February 2017 and April 2018.

This interactive event brought various stakeholders together to discover the Atlas and exchange ideas on how it can inform policy, specifically focusing on the initiative's advocacy goals. It was a chance to:

- Leverage the findings of the Atlas into concrete long-term goals for improvement on access to contraception in Europe,
- Ensure that the Atlas community speaks with one voice on the topic by providing them with a supporting document that builds on their advocacy,
- Advocate with the decision-makers to use their mandates in order to improve the situation and take evidence-based actions for change in access to information on contraception in Europe,
- Highlight the problem of unintended pregnancies and the need for proactive urgent government intervention and progress on the topic.

The MEPs opened the event, which then included some words from EPF Secretary Neil Datta on the crucial need for increased access to contraceptives as well as more thorough sexual education within the European region, including EU member states. He stressed that the issue has many factors, including taboo surrounding the topic stemming from myths and cultural attitudes towards sexuality, government reimbursement programmes of contraceptives, and even whether or not a government provides accurate and accessible information about family planning online. Adriana Pereira from YouAct then gave her personal take on why contraception access can completely transform the future of young people, and why it is thus essential that policy makers take the recommendations of this white paper on board.

Read the White Paper Here

Access the Press Release Here

See The Photo Album Here

Source: Contraception Info

## **From ASTRA Members**

#### 28th September in Armenia

On 28 September, Global day of action for access to safe and legal abortion, the Women's Resource Center Armenia, organized round table discussion on "The Overall State of Reproductive Health and Rights Among Various Groups of Women in Armenia".

State authorities including representatives of Ministry of Health, the Committee on Health and Social Issues of the National Assembly, the National Institution of Healthcare as well as several local and international NGOs participated to the meeting. During the round table the situation analysis of the termination of pregnancy with a thorough analysis of the legal normative framework and existing policies of Armenia was presented. The right of abortion is one of the most important mechanisms of decision making in relation to woman's body, life and overall health. Incidentally, the realization of this right frequently leads to triggering deeply embedded stereotypes, superstitions, discriminatory and harmful norms and ideas that are there to limit the rights and opportunities for free choice and decision making of a woman in Armenia. During the meeting the short <u>video</u> on woman's autonomy to make the decisions about her body was presented to the participants.

The meeting gave grassroots organizations and policy makers space to discuss the issues in the field of reproductive health and rights and develop further steps to make the field more inclusive and sensitive.

Source: Women's Resource Center, Armenia

#### Reproductive health week in Georgia

In order to raise awareness of Georgian society through campaigning on SRHR Association HERA XXI has been conducting series of large-scale activities under campaign named "Reproductive Health Week". Versatile actions include advocacy meetings and workshops with key stakeholders, youth awareness raising activities as well as social media campaign outlining life stories of fertile age women and girls dedicated to World Contraception Day and International Safe Abortion Day.

"Reproductive Health Week" started on 26th of September by organizing Presentation of Pilot Assessment on Integration of family planning and youth friendly services in primary healthcare, which ended up in working out recommendations by all key stakeholders: Decision makers in primary healthcare, service providers, governmental and nongovernmental organizations.

On 28th of September, Association HERA XXI conducted advocacy meeting on Reproductive Health and Healthy Lifestyle Education intended to support establishment of supportive environment towards CSE. All key stakeholders such as representatives of Ministry of Education and Science in Georgia, National Center of Teachers' Professional Development, school directors, teachers, school doctors, parents and relevant CSOs were actively engaged in Discussions.

Campaign continued with youth awareness raising activities in collaboration with Tbilisi Youth Centers Union under Tbilisi Mayor, National Probation Centre and Universities. More than 60 students and young people were equipped with right and age-appropriate information and knowledge to make informed choices.

Source: <u>HERA XXI</u>

#### Reproductive Health Training Center activities on September 28 in Moldova

Reproductive Health Training Center from Moldova promotes Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights in the country and was very engaged in the celebrations of September 28th. The organisation created a group on facebook - <u>Mbl 3a Bbl6op / sustinem alegerea ta</u> where interested people from Eastern Europe and Central Asia can join and find information about reproductive and sexual health and rights. The group posts information both in Russian and Romanian.

RHTC also held a <u>FB LIVE</u> on contraception methids and <u>published</u> an article inviting people to support their initiative; created an <u>event</u> on FB, as well as started developing its <u>instagram</u>. A <u>press</u> <u>release</u> was published online and shared with the media

RHTC will be also hosting a <u>2-day regional conference on Safe and Legal Abortion and post-abortion</u> <u>family planning, on November 15-16th, 2018, in Chisinau, Moldova.</u> Conference participants will represent 12 countries, comprised by stakeholders, trained on development of the guidelines and protocols and those with expertise on safe abortion and family planning.

Source: <u>Reproductive Health Training Center</u>

#### SexEd event in Macedonia bring a new approach to sexuality, abortion and contraception

HERA - Health Education and Research Association from Skopje, Macedonia held an educational and inspirational event dedicated to sexuality and sexual rights titled #<u>SexEd</u>. Inspired by the concept of TED talks and in order to mark both 28 September – International Safe Abortion Day and 26 September – World Contraception Day, HERA decided to talk about these issues openly and publicly. The first SexEd – an educational and empowering event about sexuality and sexual rights brought together 7 national and international speakers who shared their stories, experiences and viewpoints on abortion rights and comprehensive sexuality education:

1. Lina Danevska, HERA Youth (Macedonia) - CAHOOT Sexuality Education

2. Daniela Draghici, advocacy trainer and activist for women's rights (Romania) - How could I still be pregnant after an abortion? A personal story from my communist past in Romania

3. Doortje Braeken, CSE expert (The Netherlands) - CSE: What They Don't Tell You?

4. Neil Datta, Executive Director, European Parliamentary Forum on Population & Development (Belgium) - The Ultra-Conservative Counter-offensive explained

5. Catherine Forde, lawyer, Irish Family Planning Association (Ireland)- From 33 to 66 and why it took 35

6. Snezhana Matovska, parent (Macedonia) - Every question deserves an answer

7. Mirjana Najchevska, university professor and human rights activist (Macedonia) - Imposing pregnancy and birth is torture

8. Viktor Damjanovski, CSE peer educator (Macedonia) - Questions That Children Don't Ask at Home

All talks will be translated into English and posted on HERA's YouTube channel shortly.

Source: <u>H.E.R.A.</u>

#### Safe abortion day in Poland – "Abortion is a part of our lives"

September 28 is a globally recognised day that frames campaign activities undertaken by advocates around the world to strengthen an international movement for legal and safe abortion. This year, WGNRR, the International Campaign for Women's Right to Safe Abortion, Ipas Alliance, Campaña 28 de Septiembre LAC and many more partners and allies are joining efforts and launching a united theme "Normalizing abortion: It's part of our lives". The Federation for Women and Family Planning always participates in this annual campaign. This year the organization focused on the following activities relating to the main theme:

- Launching a manual "How to write/talk about abortion?" and a collection of real abortion stories "#Womens'Stories" to counter abortion stigma and myths. Not only does the manual discuss neologisms and linguistic manipulations of the anti-choice lobby, but it also suggests a proper, neutral language and provides many useful facts and statistical data about abortion.
- Commissioning opinion poll, which showed an unprecedented support for the right to terminate pregnancy up to 12 weeks 69%. The highest support was noted among people with income up to 2000 PLN and 4000-5000PLN as well as among people aged 40-60. There was no meaningful difference between men and women (respectively 71% and 66%). Moreover, 92% were strongly opposed to state's interference in reproductive choices. The Federation also asked about peoples' stance on drastic, anti-abortion banners in the public sphere, especially near schools and hospitals. 83% of Poles have a negative opinion about such posters & 70% would ban them.
- "Abortion is part of our lives" conference celebrated worldwide successes of the pro-choice community. Krystyna Kacpura, director of the Federation, presented the most crucial developments from Chile to Ireland to South Korea. The leader of the Polish Women's Strike Marta Lempart spoke about the cooperation between activists from Poland, Ireland and Argentina. She also announced a new campaign "Legal abortion now!", which is supposed to check politicians' views on legal abortion and publicize which MPs, senators and candidates are pro-choice. Natasza Blek from initiative "Doctors for Women" presented data illustrating doctors' stance on the current anti-abortion law (25% for liberalization, 8% for abortion on demand). In her opinion, a positive development could be triggered by such means as consolidating the medical community, more funding for healthcare, educational activities for

and by doctors, international consultations. Lawyer Kamila Ferenc enumerated barriers in accessing legal abortion in the three cases: fundamentalism, religion, conscientious objection, penalization of abortion together with "freezing effect", paternalism of doctors and the presence of drastic anti-abortion banners in the public sphere. As little as 10% of the Polish hospitals perform legal abortions. Activist Aleksandra Knapik provided examples of how effective storytelling and cooperation on the European level are in the work of grassroots movement. The crowning moment of the event was signing the pro-choice, international document called The Brussels Declaration by invited politicians, parties, NGOs, informal groups and researchers.

• The **pro-choice march** organized by feminist groups, among them Abortion Dream Team and the Warsaw Women's Strike, took the streets of Warsaw on Sunday, September 30th. See photos from the march that gathered several hundred people <u>here</u>.

Source: Federation for Women and Family Planning

## **GLOBAL UPDATES**

# CEDAW and CRPD, urge UN Member States to stop regression on sexual and reproductive rights of women and girls

Rollback and regression on respect for international human rights norms threatens the sexual and reproductive health rights of women, including women with disabilities, UN human rights experts warned. In a joint statement, the United Nations Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) and the Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD) said access to safe and legal abortion, as well as related services and information are essential aspects of women's reproductive health. Access to such services is a prerequisite for safeguarding women's human rights to life, health, equality before the law and equal protection of the law, non-discrimination, information, privacy, bodily integrity and freedom from torture and ill treatment, the Committees said.

"I am very concerned that opponents of reproductive rights and autonomy often actively and deliberately refer to disability rights in an effort to restrict or prohibit women's access to safe abortion," said Theresia Degener, Chairperson of the CRPD. "This constitutes a misinterpretation of the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities." Disability rights and gender equality are two components of the same human rights standard that should not be construed as conflicting, she added.

"This is one of the most pressing issues that affects women and girls, particularly those with disabilities," said Dalia Leinarte, Chairperson of CEDAW. "States must ensure that women have access to sexual and reproductive healthcare without any form of discrimination. States should also acknowledge that women's decisions about their own bodies are personal and private, and place the autonomy of the woman at the centre of policy and law-making related to sexual and reproductive health services, including abortion care."

States must take effective measures to enable women, including women with disabilities, to make autonomous decisions about their sexual and reproductive health and ensure that women have access to evidence-based and unbiased information in this regard, Degener and Leinarte underscored. It is also critical, they said, that all women, including women with disabilities, are protected against forced abortion, contraception or sterilization against their will or without their informed consent.

#### Source: OHCHR

#### 39th session of the UN Human Rights Council

The 39th session of the UN Human Rights Council took place from September 10-28, 2018. Besides several resolutions relevant to sexual rights (<u>recap here</u>) the most notable activities included:

- Statement on the Global Day of Action for Access to Safe and Legal Abortion: More than 200 civil society organizations from around the world came together to sign this statement in the lead up to the Global Day of Action for Access to Safe and Legal Abortion. The statement is available in English, French, Spanish and Russian.
- In support of the Global Day of Action for Access to Safe and Legal Abortion, the Sexual Rights Initiative organized a side event on "Regional Developments in Abortion Law and Policy Reforms" during HRC39.
- The Sexual Rights Initiative with the Center for Reproductive Rights, the Global Justice Center, Arrow, Rutgers, the International Planned Parenthood Federation, the Swedish Association for Sexuality Education, Plan International, the Association for Women's Rights in Development, the Federation for Women and Family Planning, Akahatá and the White Ribbon Alliance welcome the major gains on women's and girls' rights and sexual and reproductive health and rights at HRC39. Click here to read our statement

Source: Sexual Rights Initiative

# YOUTH

#### **#SEXEDPL:** Social media campaign elevates comprehensive sexuality education in Poland

The Polish educational system completely ignores comprehensive sexuality education and instead proposes "preparation for family life" classes to teenagers - classes widely critised by teachers, parents, non-governmental organisations and youth themselves. These classes are much influenced by the current ideological line of the ruling party and the Catholic Church in Poland.

<u>PONTON Group of Sex Educators</u> has been on the forefront of advocating for sexuality classes in Poland since 2002 and providing young people with comprehensive and science based knowledge on sex, sexuality and sexual and reproductive health through peer education, support and consultations. Anja Rubik, Poland's most famous super model, decided to take action to fill the existing gap - she and her friends from the creative and entertainment industries, with support of activists and youth groups, created SexEdPl - an educational social media campaign that went live in October last year and reached its peak this September. The social media campaign took Polish internet with a storm with slogan "Poland will start talking about sex" — and that's exactly what happened. Besides photos and interviews with the creators, serval short film had been created to discuss and clarify some of the most common issues connected to young people's sexuality, such as <u>masturbation</u>, the <u>importance of using a condom</u> during sex and <u>homosexuality</u> (films with English subtitles).

The campaign reached its highest momentum with the launch of the SEXEDPL book. The publication contains interviews with several specialists in the field – among them representatives of the PONTON Group of Sex Educators, lawyer from the Federation for Women and Family Planning, sexual health experts and many more. The book is easily available for young people as it has been priced lower than its market value. To promote the book a five-day pop-up sexuality education school was set up in Warsaw. Numerous lectures and workshops on various topics related to sex and sexuality, health, puberty and gender were organised. Some of them were conducted by members of PONTON: a workshop on the sex-positivity movement; how to duscuss sex and sexuality with children, workshop on puberty, masturbation and LGBTQIAP+ rights. Additionally a chill out zone and space for NGOs and activists was secured.

Visit SEXEDPL online, on Facebook and Instagram.

Sources: PONTON, Global Citizen, News Mavens

#### Self Camp – Successful Partnership between Association HERA XXI and Peace Corps Georgia

As both organizations have a strong history of progressive improvement for women and youth and supporting volunteerism within Georgia in September two SELF Camps - Self East and Self West have been conducted which covered 50 young girls from all regions of Georgia and build their understanding on different topics of SRHR. SELF Camp promoted the benefits of a healthy lifestyle for Georgian girls further strengthening peer-to-peer education, volunteer models and the SRHR awareness raising among youth.

Source: <u>HERA XXI</u>

#### WHO report on engaging young people for health and sustainable development

This report builds on WHO's long-standing work on young people's health and rights, including the Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health (2016–2030), the Global Accelerated Action for the Health of Adolescents (AA-HA!) guidance, and contribution to the new UN Youth Strategy. It was developed as part of the roadmap towards the development of a WHO strategy for engaging young people and young professionals.

The world today has the largest generation of young people in history with 1.8 billion between the ages of 10 and 24 years. Many of them already are driving transformative change, and many more

are poised to do so, but lack the opportunity and means. This cohort represents a powerhouse of human potential that could transform health and sustainable development. A priority is to ensure that no young person is left behind and all can realize their right to health equitably and without discrimination or hindrance. This force for change represents an unparalleled opportunity for the WHO and partners to transform the way they engage with young people, including to achieve the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

This report describes strategic opportunities to meaningfully engage young people in transforming health and sustainable development. This will mean providing opportunities for young people's leadership and for their engagement with national, regional and global programmes.

#### Access the report here

Source: WHO

## **RESOURCES**

#### A Time to Lead: A Roadmap for Progress on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Worldwide

The Guttmacher Institute issued a new roadmap for progres on SRHR. Some of the highlights include:

- Gaps in sexual and reproductive health and rights take an enormous toll on individuals, families, communities and economies around the world.
- Addressing these gaps requires a holistic approach that encompasses the right of all individuals to make decisions about their bodies and lives—free of stigma, discrimination and coercion—and to have access to essential sexual and reproductive health interventions.
- The Guttmacher-Lancet Commission on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights provides a groundbreaking definition of sexual and reproductive health and rights and describes an essential package of interventions, together offering a pathway for countries around the world to support the needs of all people.

Source: Guttmacher Institute

#### Reproductive Rights as Human Rights: An Interactive Course for Advocates

The Center for Reproductive Rights announced the launch of an online course to support advocates in leveraging the human rights framework to advance reproductive rights at the national level. In this course, participants will:

- Learn how to engage with international and regional human rights mechanisms to reinforce their advocacy on reproductive rights;
- Discuss different advocacy strategies to advance quality maternal health, access to contraception, safe abortion, comprehensive sexuality education, and adolescents' rights; and

• Devise an advocacy strategy on reproductive rights, including by developing an evidence base, mapping decisionmakers and key influencers, and devising key messages.

This course will provide ample opportunities for advocates to network, exchange experiences, and collaborate with other advocates based around the globe. At the end of this course, participants will present an advocacy plan, applying their new skills to a reproductive rights issue they are seeking to address in their respective countries.

As an interactive online course, participants will be expected to come to each class prepared to engage in active discussions on reproductive rights issues and reflect on their own experiences advancing reproductive rights. In addition to the 2 hours of class time each week, participants should expect to spend about 2 hours each week completing reading assignments and/or projects outside of class. Participants who actively contribute during classes and fulfill all attendance and assignment requirements will be awarded a certificate upon completion of the course.

#### Apply here

Source and exact dates of the course: <u>https://uniteforreprorights.org/e-course</u>

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## "Act on Hope. How the European SRHR community can help unlock rights and care for all" – 2018 EuroNGOs Conference in Belgium

The 2018 EuroNGOs Conference titled "Act on Hope. How the European SRHR community can help unlock rights and care for all" will take place in Gent (Belgium) on 6-7 November 2018. During this year's conference, we would like to examine how reproductive and sexual justice is linked with understanding and overcoming other forms of structural oppressions that pose a threat to democracy as well as prevent the meaningful exercise of political, social, cultural and economic rights of women and marginalized groups, in particular. A two-day dialogue will allow participants to identify the ways in which the SRHR community can work together within human rights groups and other actors with linking interests such as LGBT, Disability or Migration movements as well as it will help set up a 2019 SRHR agenda for Europe in which the partnership, it's members and allies can implement and act on.

You can read more about the conference's theme and objectives here.

Source: https://eurongos.events.idloom.com/2018conf

#### UN Commission on the Status of Women 2019 deadlines

The 2019 CSW will take place from 11<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 with the priority theme of *Social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.* Full information about NGO participation can be found <u>here</u>.

- CSW63 registration for NGOs in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) will be open online via the United Nations Indico registration system from 9 October 2018 to 27 January 2019.
- Submission of written statements will be open for NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC from 1 October to 22 October 2018 via United Nations CSO-net. The link to the sign-up form will be posted <u>here</u> on 1 October 2018.
- Sign up for NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC to express interest in delivering an oral statement during the general discussion will be open online from 24 January to 18 February 2019. The link to the sign-up form will be posted <u>here</u> on 24 January 2019.
- Sign up for NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC wishing to express interest in intervening from the floor during an interactive panel will be open online from 24 January until 18 February 2019. The link to the sign-up form will be posted <u>here</u> on 24 January 2019.

#### Call for Papers: The impact of politics on sexual and reproductive health and rights

Submission deadline: 31 October 2018

RHM is compiling a themed issue to be published in May 2019 on the impact of politics on sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). The purpose of the issue is to assimilate and highlight the consequences of and interconnections between political activities, systems or change on SRHR – whether at global, regional, state, or local levels, and at their intersections, especially in low- and middle-income settings.

The relevance of today's politics on SRHR is clear, but not always well-documented. In this RHM collection, we aspire to compile and generate a diverse range of perspectives and evidence to inspire debate, inform intervention and effect change that will lead to better lives for people. Politics will determine whose SRHR are protected, when universal health care and respect for rights can be realised, and how it will be achieved.

Read more here: <u>http://www.rhmatters.org/call-for-papers/</u>

ASTRA Network Members: Albania - Albanian Family Planning Association; Armenia - Society Without Violence; Armenia - Women's Resource Center; Armenia - Women's Rights Center; Azerbaijan -Center "Women and Modern World"; Belarus - Women's Independent Democratic Movement of Belarus; Bulgaria - Bulgarian Family Planning and Sexual Health Association; Bulgaria - Bulgarian Gender Research Foundation; Bulgaria - Gender Education, Research and Technologies; Bulgaria -Demetra Association; Bulgaria - Gender Alternatives Foundation; Bosnia and Herzegovina – Sarajevo Open Center; Croatia - B.a.b.e.; Croatia - CESI; Croatia - Women's Room; Georgia - HERA XXI; Georgia – Real People, Real Vision; Georgia - Women's Center; Hungary – PATENT; Kazakhstan - The Legal Center for Women's Initiatives "Sana Sezim"; Lithuania - Family Planning and Sexual Health Association; Latvia - Latvia's Association for Family Planning And Sexual Health; Macedonia -Association for emancipation, solidarity and equality of women; Macedonia – H.E.R.A.; Macedonia – Shelter Center; Moldova – Family Planning Association; Moldova - Reproductive Health Training Center; Poland - Federation for Women and Family Planning; Romania - A.L.E.G.; Romania - AnA: Society for Feminist Analysis; Romania - Euroregional Center for Public Initiatives; Romania - The East European Institute of Reproductive Health; Russia - Novogorod Gender Center; Russia - Russian Association for Population and Development; Slovakia - Pro Choice; Tajikistan - Gender and Development; Ukraine - Women Health and Family Planning; Ukraine - Charitable SALUS Foundation; Uzbekistan - Future Generation

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