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**Regional Meeting of Parliamentary
Committees on Health in Eastern and
Southern Africa:**

**“Repositioning Family Planning and
Reproductive Health in the Eastern
and Southern Africa Region:
Challenges and Opportunities”**

**Munyonyo Commonwealth Resort,
Kampala, Uganda**

28-29 September 2010

Logistical Information for Delegates

Welcome!

The 2010 Regional Meeting of Parliamentary Committees on Health in Eastern and Southern Africa is at the Munyonyo Commonwealth Resort, Kampala, Uganda. Please refer to the programme for full details on the schedule of sessions.

Meeting location

MCWRL Banqueting Hall

Munyonyo Commonwealth Resort

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Registration

Delegates will be required to register personally at the venue of the meeting, where they can pick up their badges and conference materials at 8:00 am on Tuesday, 28 September 2010.

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Meeting Programme

Monday, September 27, 2010		
ARRIVAL		
Day One: Tuesday, September 28, 2010		
Time	Session	Responsible/Presenter
0800-0900	Registration	Ms. Charity Birungi, PPD ARO
0900-1030	Session One: Opening Session	Session Chair: Hon. Dr. Chris Baryomunsi Parliament of Uganda
	Opening Remarks	Dr. Jotham Musinguzi Regional Director, PPD ARO Mr. James Kotzsch Country Director, DSW Uganda Ms. Janet Jackson UNFPA Representative, Uganda Hon. Sebtuu Nassor East Africa Legislative Assembly TBD SADC Parliamentary Forum Hon. Henry Banyenzaki on behalf of Hon. Saudatu Sani African Parliamentary Network on MDGs Hon. Blessing Chebundo Chairperson, SEAPACOH Hon. Dr. Stephen Mallinga Minister of Health, Uganda
	Official Opening	Rt. Hon. Rebecca Kadaga Deputy Speaker, Parliament of Uganda
	Group Photograph	
1030-1100	Tea/Coffee Break	
1100-1300	Session Two: Reproductive Health, Population and Development in the Region	Session Chair: Hon. Blessing Chebundo Chairperson, SEAPACOH
1100-1130	Population and Reproductive Health Challenges in Eastern and Southern Africa: Policy and Program Implications	Dr. Eliya Msiyaphazi Zulu, PhD. Director, African Institute for Development Policy (AFIDEP)
1130-1200	Maputo Plan of Action and CARMMA: Reflections on the Performance of African Countries	Dr. Wilfred Ochan Assistant Representative, UNFPA Uganda

1200-1230	Gender and Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights: A Key Factor to Successful Programmes	Prof. Grace Bantebya Senior Lecturer, Makerere University
1230-1300	Discussion: Lead in on discussion by Hon MPs from Ethiopia and Uganda	
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1600	Session Three: Repositioning Family Planning in the Region: Challenges and Opportunities	Session Chair: Hon. Mduduzi Comfort Dlamini Parliament of Swaziland
1400-1430	Achieving the MDGs: The Contribution of Family Planning	Dr. Wilfred Ochan Assistant Representative, UNFPA Uganda
1430-1500	The contribution of Family Planning in achieving the MDGs in Kenya	Mr. Chaacha Mwita Policy Engagement Manager, Africa Population and Health Research Center, Nairobi, Kenya
1500-1530	Family Planning in Rwanda: How Family Planning Became a Priority and a Success Story.	Mr. Emile Sempabwa Policy and Development Director IntraHealth International, Rwanda
1530-1600	Discussion: Lead in on discussion by Hon MPs from Rwanda and Seychelles	
1600-1615	Tea/Coffee Break	
1615-1815	Closed Session for SEAPACOH Business meeting	Hon. Blessing Chebundo Chairperson, SEAPACOH
1900-2100	Dinner and Cultural Entertainment (Hosts: Parliament of Uganda and PPD ARO)	
Day Two: Wednesday, September 29, 2010		
0800-0900	Registration	Ms. Charity Birungi, PPD ARO
0900-0930	Session Four: Fostering Cooperation and Coordination Between Parliaments and Civil Society	Session Chair: Mr. James Kotsch Country Director, DSW Uganda
	Fostering Cooperation and Coordination Between Parliaments and Civil Society	Mr. Henry Ndlovu Southern African Parliamentary Support Trust (SAPST)
	Discussion	
0930-1300	Session Five: Presentations on Country Achievements and Challenges since September 2009	Session Chair: Hon. Margaret Nantongo Zziwa East Africa Legislative Assembly
0930-1000	Review of Implementation of SEAPACOH Strategic Plan: Achievements, Challenges and Way Forward	Hon. Blessing Chebundo Chairperson, SEAPACOH

1000-1100	<p>Country Progress, Achievements and Challenges Regarding Implementation of the September 2009 Munyonyo Parliamentary Meeting Resolutions;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Maputo Plan of Action; • The Abuja Declaration; and • Accra Agenda for Action • Innovative programmes to enhance health, RH, FP, population and development <p><i>Note: Each presentation should not take more than 10 minutes</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Hon. Desta Delkaso Parliament of Ethiopia</p> <p>Hon. Dr. Ekwee Ethuro Parliament of Kenya</p> <p>Hon. Austin Mtukula Parliament of Malawi</p> <p>Hon. Telmina Manuel Paixa Pinho Pereira Parliament of Mozambique</p> <p>Hon. Juliet Kavetuna Parliament of Namibia</p>
1100-1130	Tea/Coffee Break	
1130-1300	<p>Presentations on Country Achievements and Challenges since September 2009 (cont'd)</p> <p><i>Note: Each presentation should not take more than 10 minutes</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>	<p>Hon. Nonhlanhla Dlamini Parliament of Swaziland</p> <p>Hon. Chris Baryomunsi Parliament of Uganda</p> <p>Hon. Dr. Munji Habeezu Parliament of Zambia</p> <p>Hon. Gladys Gombami Dube Parliament of Zimbabwe</p>
1300-1400	Lunch	
1400-1600	Session Six: Presentation, Discussion and Adoption of Munyonyo 2010 Resolutions	Session Chair: Hon. Munji Habeezu Parliament of Zambia
	Presentation, Discussion and Adoption of Munyonyo 2010 Resolutions	Hon. Austin Mtukula Vice Chairperson, SEAPACOH
1600-1630	Session Seven: Closing Ceremony	Session Chair: Hon. Bernard Adonis Parliament of Seychelles
1600-1630	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <p>Official Closing</p> <p>Vote of Thanks</p>	<p>Dr. Jotham Musinguzi Regional Director, PPD ARO</p> <p>Dr. Blessing Chebundo Chairperson, SEAPACOH</p> <p>Rt. Hon. Edward Ssekandi Speaker, Parliament of Uganda</p> <p>Hon. Hon. Ekwee Ethuro Parliament of Kenya</p>
1730-2100	Boat cruise at 1730-1930, Barbeque Dinner at 2000-2100 (Hosts: PPD ARO and DSW)	
Thursday, September 30, 2010		
DEPARTURES		

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The Alliance of Parliamentary Committees on Health in East and Southern Africa



Regional Network for Equity in Health in East and Southern Africa (EQUINET)



African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC)



Partners in Population and Development Africa Regional Office (PPD ARO)

2009 Regional Meeting of Parliamentary Committees on Health in Eastern and Southern Africa

Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda,
21 September 2009

Commitments

Hosted by: Partners in Population and Development Africa Regional Office (PPD ARO), Regional Network on Equity in Health in East and Southern Africa (EQUINET), African Population and Health Research Centre (APHRC), Southern and East African Parliamentary Alliance of Committees On Health (SEAPACOH)

The Regional Meeting of Parliamentary Committees on Health in Eastern and Southern Africa, held in Munyonyo, Kampala, Uganda, 21 September 2009, gathered members of Parliamentary Committees responsible for health from 12 countries and regional bodies in Eastern and Southern Africa, with technical government and civil society and regional partners to promote information exchange, facilitate policy dialogue and identify key areas of follow up action to advance health equity and sexual and reproductive health in the region. The meeting was held as a follow up to review progress on actions proposed at the September 2008 Regional Meeting of Parliamentary Committees on Health in Eastern and Southern Africa hosted by the same organisations.

We, the Members of Parliament, participating in the second high level Southern and East African Parliamentary Alliance of Committees On Health (SEAPACOH) meeting convened by the Partners in Population and Development Africa Regional Office (PPD ARO), the Regional Network on Equity in Health in East and Southern Africa (EQUINET), African Population and Health Research Centre (APHRC) and SEAPACOH, and representing Parliaments of Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi, Namibia, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, Zimbabwe, the East African Community, the East African Legislative Assembly and the Southern African Development Community Parliamentary Forum, having reviewed our progress on the resolutions made in 2008, agree to the following **Way Forward for the Southern and East African Parliamentary Alliance of Committees On Health (SEAPACOH)**, over the next year:

Operationalize the SEAPACOH Strategic Plan, including to

- Have a better understanding of linkages between reproductive health (RH), family planning (FP), population and development
- Network within the region with parliaments and with key partners
- Undertake resource mobilization activities to support the implementation of the plan

Provide oversight function on

- The Abuja Declaration on HIV/AIDS, Tuberculosis and Other Related Infectious Diseases (2001)¹ and the Abuja Call for Accelerated Action Towards Universal Access to HIV and AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria Services in Africa (2006)²
 - Participate in and influence budgetary processes to increase the government budget commitments to health towards meeting the Abuja targets and improving per capita allocations to health
 - Continuously monitor resources to health to ensure value and public health effectiveness for money, equity in resource allocation and that policies promoting population health are resourced and implemented
 - Encourage Public Accounts Committees to incorporate performance auditing)
- The Maputo Plan of Action for the Operationalisation of the Continental Policy Framework for on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights 2007-2010 (2006)³
- The Accra Agenda for Action (2008) (to accelerate and deepen implementation of the 2005 Paris Declaration on Aid Effectiveness)⁴
- International agreements and commitments
 - Advocate for coordinated country mechanisms that involve parliaments before agreements are reached
 - Have all agreements catalogued and audited by parliament and available for committees
 - Ensure ratification and domestication of those agreements that promote health
 - Monitor implementation and review of agreements to which commitments have been made

Support new and innovative programmes to enhance health, reproductive health (RH), family planning (FP), population and development, including effective public health approaches to prevention of health problems such as spraying for DDT according to WHO recommendations⁵

¹ http://www.un.org/ga/aids/pdf/abuja_declaration.pdf

² http://www.aumission-ny.org/documents/abuja_call.pdf

³ http://www.unfpa.org/africa/newdocs/maputo_eng.pdf

⁴ <http://siteresources.worldbank.org/ACCRAEXT/Resources/4700790-1217425866038/AAA-4-SEPTEMBER-FINAL-16h00.pdf>

⁵ <http://apps.who.int/malaria/docs/IRS/DDT/DDTposition.pdf> (The use of DDT in malaria vector control, WHO/GMP position statement, 2007) <http://apps.who.int/malaria/docs/DDT/WHOPositiononDDTupdate.pdf> (WHO Re-affirms its Position on DDT for Malaria Control, 2009)

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Partners in Population and Development (PPD) is a Southern-led, Southern-run inter-governmental organization of 24 developing countries, encompassing more than half the population of the entire globe. PPD was founded in 1995, to promote South-South cooperation in reproductive health and population and development. **The Partners in Population and Development Africa Regional Office (PPD ARO)** is based in Kampala, Uganda. The vision of the PPD ARO is “an African continent that meets its Reproductive Health needs, promotes the Population and Development agenda and thereby addresses poverty, through South-South Cooperation.” Its mission is “to provide a platform for the promotion of and resource mobilization for Reproductive Health, Population and Development in Africa through three elements: 1) Policy dialogue 2) Networking and building strategic partnerships in the region and 3) Sharing of experiences and good practices. More information is available online at: www.ppdafrika.org; Email: aro@ppdafrika.org



The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) is an international development agency that promotes the right of every woman, man and child to enjoy a life of health and equal opportunity. UNFPA supports countries in using population data for policies and programmes to reduce poverty and to ensure that every pregnancy is wanted, every birth is safe, every young person is free of HIV/AIDS, and every girl and woman is treated with dignity and respect. More information is online at: www.unfpa.org/



Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung, the German Foundation for World Population (DSW) is an international development organisation. It was founded in 1991 as a private non-profit foundation by two entrepreneurs from Hannover. DSW's main goal is to help people free themselves from poverty. For this purpose we support family planning and sexual and reproductive health projects in Africa and Asia. Our premise is simple: only if people are able to protect themselves from unwanted pregnancies and HIV/AIDS do they have the chance to lead a healthier and better life. In this respect reaching young people is key. Young people are the parents of tomorrow and crucial to the development of their country. Investing in their health means investing in a better future. More information is online at: www.dsw-online.de/en/

The Southern and East African Parliamentary Alliance of Committees of Health (SEAPACOH) is a network of Parliamentary Committees on Health in Southern and Eastern Africa. The objective of the network is to build a more consistent collaboration of the Parliamentary Committees on Health towards achieving individual and regional goals of health equity and effective responses to HIV and AIDS. The network aims to strengthen the role of Parliaments in the areas of oversight of budgets, review of legislation, policy and providing leadership for achieving goals of equity in health and effective responses to HIV/ AIDS, TB, Malaria and other diseases important to the region.



Participants at the 2008 Regional Meeting of Parliamentary Committees on Health in Eastern and Southern Africa



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