

## PROGRAMME - 18 MAY 2022, KISUMU, KENYA

### FAMILY PLANNING IS CRITICAL TO URBAN DEVELOPMENT: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW AND WHAT YOU CAN DO (PARTS 1 & 2)

#### IUSSP Urban FP Panel sessions at the 9th Africities Summit 17-21 May in Kisumu, Kenya

##### Part 1: 9:00-12:00

**President/chairperson:** Hon. Esther Passaris, Nairobi County Women Representative

**Moderator/facilitator:** Dr Nkechi Owoo, University of Ghana

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| Introduction by president/chairperson   | 9:00  |
| Short video: <b>When Urban Development Meets Family Planning</b>  | 9:10  |
| Dr James Duminy, University of Bristol & African Centre for Cities, University of Cape Town. <b>How are family planning and urban development linked?</b>   | 9:15  |
| Dr Olusegun Ogboye, Permanent Secretary, Lagos State Ministry of Health, on <b>Domestic financing for family planning and strategic government leadership for FP and urban health</b>   | 9:35  |
| Dr Sunday Adedini, IUSSP research fellow, Federal University Oye-Ekiti, Nigeria & University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa on <b>Linking family planning with urban development: lessons from intermediate cities in Nigeria</b> | 9:45  |
| Dialogue among presenters and with the audience   | 9:55  |
| Coffee break  | 10:15 |
| Dr Jamaica Corker, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  | 10:35 |
| Hon. Shiloo Abdulrahman Omari, Mayor for Tanga City, Tanzania on <b>Political leaders as champions of family planning and urban development</b>   | 10:40 |
| Njeri Nyamu, TCI East Africa, on <b>Success in supporting African cities to improve reproductive health and family planning)</b>  | 10:50 |
| Dialogue among presenters and with the audience   | 11:10 |
| <b>Discussion, adoption of the conclusions, recommendations and negotiation of a "declaration" from Africities Summit on Family Planning,</b> coordinated by Mme. Djenebou Diallo, Sr Advocacy Manager, Ouagadougou Partnership       | 11:30 |

##### Part 2: 14:00-17:00

**President/chairperson:** Hon. Esther Passaris, Nairobi County Women Representative

**Moderator/facilitator:** Dr Mary Ellen Zuppan, IUSSP Executive Director

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| Introduction by president/chairperson   | 14:00 |
| Short video <b>When urban development meets family planning</b>   | 14:10 |
| <b>Summary of morning session discussions</b> - Dr. John Ganle, Ghana   | 14:15 |
| Dr Alex Ezeh, Drexel University, founding executive director of African Population and Health Research Center (APHRC), Nairobi, on <b>Urban reproductive health and family planning and their role in African city policies</b>     | 14:20 |
| Hon. Luc Sètonджи Atrokpo, President of Association Nationale des Communes du Bénin (ANCB) and Mayor of the City of Cotonou, on <b>How the municipalities engaged the health system in support of family planning</b>               | 14:40 |
| Dialogue among presenters and with the audience   | 14:50 |
| Coffee break  | 15:10 |
| Dr Jamaica Corker, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  | 15:25 |
| Hon. Julius Mutebi Ssalongo, the Mayor of Kira Local government, Uganda, on <b>Challenges of meeting adolescent needs in intermediate cities</b>  | 15:30 |
| Dr Moses Tetui, University of Waterloo (Canada), Umeå University (Sweden) & Makerere University (Uganda) on <b>Linking family planning with urban development: lessons from an intermediate city in Uganda</b>                      | 15:40 |
| Dialogue among presenters and with the audience   | 15:50 |
| Dr Lekan Ajijola (The Challenge Initiative), <b>Lessons from The Challenge Initiative/TCI, Nigeria</b>  | 16:10 |
| <b>Discussion, adoption of the conclusions, recommendations and negotiation of a "declaration" from Africities Summit on family planning,</b> coordinated by Mme. Djenebou Diallo, Senior Advocacy Manager, Ouagadougou Partnership | 16:20 |

## PRESENTATION BRIEF - RATIONALE OF THE SESSIONS (PARTS 1 & 2)

### CONTEXT

Family planning (FP) is an underappreciated mechanism of promoting productive, sustainable, and equitable development in urban Africa, including in intermediate cities

- Due to fragmented policy and governance structures, it is not always clear how local government leaders should best address FP in their cities.
- Fertility exerts a strong influence on urban growth in Africa, but we don't understand enough about this influence and its outcomes (particularly in intermediary cities, as much research focuses on large cities).
- These sessions present the latest research from international experts and experiences from African city leaders on linking urban development and FP.

### OBJECTIVES

- To debunk the myth that migration is the primary driver of urban growth in Africa and explain importance of high fertility
- To illustrate how FP is a low-cost mechanism to promote urban economic development, gender empowerment, equitable and sustainable development, and city resilience
- To show how meeting unmet need for FP could have significant effects on fertility change
- To showcase latest research from the IUSSP programme on urban FP/fertility across eight African countries, and difficulties in promoting closer alignment between FP/fertility and policymaking and practice in various urban contexts
- To enable elected officials to explain how identifying and pursuing options to promote alignment between reproductive health/FP programming and urban development presents low-cost strategic opportunities to promote more productive, equitable and sustainable modes of development in African intermediary cities including:
  - How they overcame the problem of family planning not being prioritized for municipal governments' own funding, and
  - How they adopted supportive policies to make family planning a social norm and ease access to services
- To share innovative approaches for family planning financing at municipal level, including removal of bottlenecks in fund release in intermediary and large cities

### HOW DO THESE SESSIONS PROMOTE THESE OBJECTIVES?

As most future urban growth will take place in smaller and intermediary African cities, an invigorated urban reproductive health/FP agenda for these urban areas has the potential to promote significant progress towards the realization of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and Agenda 2063. These sessions:

- Share experiences from African city policy makers who have already overcome obstacles on family planning financing and policy environment, to promote effective collaboration for seamless and sustained implementation of family planning high-impact interventions
- Explicitly address issues in both intermediate and large cities, in both Anglophone and Francophone countries
- Secure feedback from participants (urban policymakers and practitioners at city, national and international levels) around key challenges and gaps in promoting alignment, and suggestions of opportunities for addressing them

### CONTRIBUTION OF THESE SESSIONS TO OVERALL OBJECTIVES OF THE SUMMIT

- Identifying and pursuing options to promote alignment between reproductive health/family planning programming and urban development will present low-cost strategic opportunities to promote more productive, equitable and sustainable modes of development in African intermediary cities.
- As most future urban growth will take place in smaller and intermediary African cities, an invigorated urban reproductive health/family planning agenda for these urban areas has the potential to promote significant progress towards the realization of the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development and Agenda 2063.
- Recommendations and a possible "declaration" will guide future actions by elected officials and UGLG Africa support to them on this topic.

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