International Seminar on
Incidence and Safety of Abortion: New Evidence and Improvements in
Measurement
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Programme

Monday 3 December

9:00 Registration

9:30 – 10:00 Opening - Remarks, Welcome & Introduction
IUSSP – Clémentine Rossier
Panel – Harriet Birungi and Susheela Singh

Session 1: Assessing Methods of Abortion Estimation–Part 1

Chair: Ndola Prata
Discussant: Clémentine Rossier

10:00 – 10:20 Comparing novel approaches to estimating the incidence of clandestine abortion
Gilda Sedgh, Sarah Keogh, Elizabeth Sully, Margaret Giorgio, Chelsea Polis

10:20 – 10:40 Estimating Abortion Incidence using the Network Scale-Up Method
Elizabeth Sully and Margaret Giorgio

10:40 – 11:00 Methodological Advances in Survey-Based Abortion Estimation: Promising
Findings from Nigeria, India, and Cote d'Ivoire
Suzanne Bell, Mridula Shankar, Elizabeth Omoluabi, Anoop Khanna, M. Doré
Désiré Emmanuel AKA, Funmi OlaOlorun, Danish Ahmad, Georges Guiella,
Saifuddin Ahmed, Caroline Moreau

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break

11:30 – 12:00 Discussant: Clémentine Rossier

12:00 – 12:45 Open Discussion

1:00 – 2:00 Lunch
Session 2:
Assessing Methods of Abortion Estimation–Part 2
Chair: Kathryn Kost
Discussant: Fatima Juarez
2:00 – 2:20 Two test applications of the List Experiment method to reduce under-reporting of abortion: results from Malawi and Senegal Heidi Moseson, Ruvani Jayaweera, Alison Norris, Sarah Huber, Sarah Garver, Caitlin Gerdts
2:40 – 3:00 A multiplex RDS for abortion? Assessing the potential of the Respondent-Driven Sampling to study abortion safety in restrictive contexts Clémentine Rossier, Dennis Feehan, Onikepe Olowabi
3:00 – 3:30 Coffee break
3:30 – 4:00 Discussant: Fatima Juarez
4:00 – 5:00 Open Discussion
7:00 – 9:00 Group Dinner

Tuesday 4 December

Session 3: Abortion morbidity
Chair: Harriet Birungi
Discussants: Ndola Prata and Onikepe Owolabi
10:00 – 10:20 Discussant: Ndola Prata
10:20 – 10:50 Coffee break
10:50 – 11:10 Recruiting Respondents: Using a Population-Based Registry for Evidence Generation in Abortion Research Rishita Nandagiri, Shivanand Mastiholi, Shivaprasad Goudar, Geetanjali Mungarwadi
11:10 – 11:30 Towards a new framework for measuring abortion complications in and out of clinic settings Ruvani T. Jayaweera, Katy Footman, Kathryn Church, Caitlin Gerdts
11:30 – 11:50 Discussant: Onikepe Owolabi
11:50 – 12:30 Open Discussion
12:30 – 2:00 Lunch
Wednesday 5 December

Session 4. Abortion reporting on large scale surveys
Chair: Fatima Juarez
Discussants: Caitlin Gerdts and Harriet Birungi

9:00 – 9:20 Completeness of Abortion Reporting in Three National Surveys in the United States
Laura Lindberg, Kathryn Kost, Isaac Maddow-Zimet, Sheila Desai, Mia Zolna

9:20 – 9:40 Depends who’s asking: interviewer effect on abortion data in Malawi DHS
Tiziana Leone, Laura Sochas, Ernestina Coast

9:40 – 10:00 Comparing reporting of abortions in three nationally representative surveys: Methodological and contextual influences
Rachel Scott, Nathalie Bajos, Kaye Wellings, Emma Slaymaker

10:00 – 10:20 Discussant: Caitlin Gerdts

10:20 – 10:40 Coffee break

10:40 – 11:10 Cumulative probability of first terminated pregnancies: Peru and Colombia 2005–2015
Sandra Sofia Mosqueira Caminada

11:10 – 11:30 Indirect estimation of induced abortion and its determinants in Sub-Saharan Africa
Heini Väisänen

11:30 – 11:50 Discussant: Harriet Birungi

11:50 – 12:30 Open Discussion

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm Lunch

Session 5: Future Directions for Research on Measurement of Abortion Incidence, Safety and Morbidity: Panel Discussion
Chair: Susheela Singh

1:30- 2:00 Comments by: Caitlin Gerdts (Ibis Reproductive Health); Clémentine Rossier (University of Geneva); Gilda Sedgh (Guttmacher Institute)

2:00 – 2:30 Open discussion

Session 6: Wrap up: Next steps and closing
Chair: Susheela Singh

2:30 – 3:00 Panel on Abortion Research & Clémentine Rossier (IUSSP Liaison)