

**Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference
Civil Society Forum and Youth Forum**

13-14 November 2023

Venue: UNCC Conference Center UN ESCAP, Bangkok, Thailand

Objectives

- To discuss and share progress at national, subregional and regional levels, gaps and challenges towards implementing the Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development (APMD) as well as the Programme of Action (PoA) of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) in Asia and the Pacific;
- To inform diverse civil society organizations on the Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference and ensure substantive input by such organizations to the Population Conference;
- To develop recommendations and key advocacy and communication messages including from diverse communities and young people to inform advocacy with Member States and advance implementation of the Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration and the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development; and
- To take the outcomes of the Seventh Asian and Pacific Population Conference forward to the national and global levels in the lead-up to global ICPD+30 processes by strengthening the linkages with sustainable and just development in order to ensure no one is left behind.

Outline of Draft Agenda

Day 1: 13 November 2023

Time	Agenda item
8:00 am – 9:00 am	Registration of participants at UNCC
9:00 am – 10:15 am	<p>Venue: CR 3</p> <p>Welcome address by 7th APPC CSO Steering Committee Members</p> <p>Session Moderators: Alexa Johns (APA) and Sai Racherla (ARROW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vanita Mukerjee (DAWN) • Palden Wangchuk Dorji (YPEER Asia Pacific Center) <p>Opening Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Srinivas Tata, Director, Social Development Division, UN ESCAP • Mr. Pio Smith, Regional Director UNFPA APRO <p>Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to the agenda of CSO and Youth Forum • Interactive introduction of participants • Logistics announcements (seeking volunteers to draft the 7 APPC key advocacy and communication messages, and Comms WG briefing on social media actions)
10:15 am – 10:45 am	<p>Tea/Coffee break and Group Photo</p> <p>(CSO and Youth move to separate rooms for parallel sessions, until the close of Day 1. Draft Call to Action Volunteers Meeting)</p>
10:45 am – 12:00 noon	<p>Sharing Reflections from 6th APPC and the Midterm Review of the APMD (CSO leaders)</p> <p>Session aim: Session will enable common understanding among participants on the 2013 Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration and APMD indicator framework as well as ICPD PoA linkages</p> <p>Method: Presentation on the 6th APPC and the 2013 Asia Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development (APMD) and the Midterm Review, key outcomes and ICPD linkages including the APMD indicator framework. In addition, CSO leaders who attended 6th APPC will share their reflections on the APPC process. (30 min)</p> <p>This will be followed by sharing of experiences by the participants on their engagement in the process and follow up at country level, by sub-regional grouping. (45 minutes)</p> <p>Session Moderator: Gessen Rocas (IPPF ESEAOR)</p> <p>Panelists</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 6th APPC Ministerial Declaration (APPC APMD) and ICPD PoA linkages (Alexa Johns, APA) • Indicator framework for monitoring progress towards the implementation of the Asian and Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development (Sai Racherla, ARROW) • 6th APPC APMD (2013) and Midterm Review (2018) Outcomes Reflections (Cai Yiping, DAWN and Bing Parcon, WGNRR) • Discussion and sharing reflections
12:00 – 13:00 pm	Lunch
13:00 pm – 13:45 pm	<p>Processes thus far ahead of 7th APPC- Outcomes from the 4 CSO Stakeholder Consultations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addressing human rights, intersecting forms of discrimination and exclusion: leaving no one behind in sustainable development • Climate justice for sustainable development • Universal access to SRHR • Regional cooperation, accountability and modes of implementation <p>Session aim: Session will bring the participants up to speed on the current and emerging issues drawing from the deliberations of the 4 CSO stakeholder consultations held ahead of 7th APPC</p> <p>Method: Presentation on CSO stakeholder consultation outcomes and key emerging issues with 2 slides per consultation on issues and recommendations (15 minutes) This will be followed by sub-regional group discussions and sharing in the plenary (20 minutes)</p> <p>Participants will identify sub-regional lead anchors who will briefly present key discussions at the plenary) (10 minutes).</p> <p>Session Moderator: Sonal Mehta (IPPF SARO)</p> <p>Session facilitators and presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rey Asis (Asia Pacific Mission for Migrants) • Lady Lisandro (IPPF ESEAOR)
13:45 pm – 15:00 pm	<p>Gains made since the 6th Asian and Pacific Population Conference at the country level in the Asia and the Pacific region</p> <p>Session aim: Session will map and share best practices/ laws and policies/implementation to advance APPC APMD and ICPD PoA in Asia and the Pacific</p> <p>Method: Panel presentations by national CSO partners with at least 4 presentations discussing policy and implementation gains around APMD priority actions (30 minutes) This will be followed by discussion and reflections from participants grouped sub-regionally on their account of best practices in the region around APPC APMD (45 minutes)</p>

	<p>Session Moderator: Sita Shahi (International Community of Women Living with HIV Asia Pacific)</p> <p>Session Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe Motherhood and Reproductive Health Rights Act 2018, Renu Rajbhandari, WOREC Nepal • Universal health coverage, health and SRHR, Nanthakan Woodham, Planned Parenthood Association of Thailand (PPAT), Thailand • Climate change and gender equality: engaging women, Laisa Bulatale, FWRM, Fiji • Ageing and well-being: policy and implementation in the region, Paul Ong, Tsao Foundation, Singapore
15:00 pm – 15:30 pm	Tea/ Coffee break
15:30 pm – 17:00 pm	<p>Challenges ahead to advance the APPC APMD priority actions</p> <p>Moderator: Tomoko Fukuda (IPPF ESEAOR)</p> <p>Session aim: Session will focus on key challenges around the implementation of the APPC APMD priority actions and ways forward. The session will also discuss linkages with the ICPD Programme of Action implementation, and emerging megatrends like digitalisation, climate justice</p> <p>Method: Panel presentations by national CSO partners (at least 4-5 presentations discussing policy and implementation gains around APMD priority actions) 30 minutes This will be followed by discussion and reflections from participants grouped sub-regionally on their account of challenges in the region around APPC APMD (45 minutes)</p> <p>Session presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Challenges around inclusion and leaving no one behind in sustainable development including the SOGIESC community, Uzma Yaqoob, FDI, Pakistan • Migration policies and its implementation in host/destination countries progress- Musarrat Perveen and Bilal Ahmed, CARAM Asia • Opposition and shrinking civic spaces, Cai Yiping and Vanita Mukerjee, DAWN • Climate justice in the region, Setareki Macanawai, Pacific Disability Forum • Digitalisation health interventions and SRHR, Ms. Bhawana Pradhan, YPEER • Access to SRHR in humanitarian and fragile settings, IPPF ESEAOR (TBC)
17:00 pm	Close of day 1, and Solidarity Dinner

Day 2: 14 November 2023

CSO and Youth Forum participants will convene together

Venue: CR 4 (fixed room set-up)

Time	Agenda item
9:00 am – 10:00 am	Recap of day 1 (Reflections sub-regionally) The draft call to action will be shared on Day 2
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Pathways for action to implement the APMD priority actions in the Asia and the Pacific region including the implementation of ICPD PoA Session Moderators: Alexa Johns (APA), Sai Racherla (ARROW), Rey Asis (APMM), Bing Parcon (WGNRR) Session aim: Session aims to enable discussion on the draft call to action, shared on day 2 in <i>sub-regional groups</i> . Method: Sub-regional groups will discuss the draft call to action, and note any recommendations that were missed out.
10:30 am – 11:00 am	Tea / Coffee break During tea break volunteers will collect the sub-regional inputs to be added to the call to action draft
11:00 am – 12:00 noon	Pathways for action to implement the APMD priority actions in the Asia and the Pacific region including the implementation of ICPD PoA (Session continues) Session Moderators: Alexa Johns (APA), Sai Racherla (ARROW), Rey Asis (APMM), Bing Parcon (WGNRR) Session aim: The aim of this session is to share sub-regional inputs to the draft call to action in the plenary to further strengthen the call to action Method: Report back (5 minutes per sub-region@ 25 minutes) presentation of the Draft Call to Action in the plenary (30 minutes) <i>Collective approval and acceptance of the 7th APPC Call to Action with inputs incorporated (10 minutes)</i>
12:30 pm – 13:00 pm	Lunch
13:00 pm – 14:30 pm	Next steps and preparations for the 7th APPC and Beyond Moderator: Sangeet (YPEER Asia Pacific Center) Alexa (APA), and Sai (ARROW)

	<p>Session aim: The session will develop a common understanding among the participants on the 7 APPC Intergovernmental Fora, and potential avenues for CSO engagement. The session will also discuss multisectoral partnerships to advance APPC MD</p> <p>Method: Presentations and discussion amongst multi stakeholders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Findings from the background paper on sexual and reproductive health and rights Shireen Jejeebhoy 7th APPC (15-17 November) agenda sharing among participants (Sangeet/ Alexa) <p><i>Discussion</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Ideas, informal discussions amongst APPC stakeholders CSOs and UN agencies on avenues to take forward the outcomes of 7th APPC forward at the national level</i> Q & A session
14:30 pm – 15:00 pm	<p>Next steps and preparations for the 7th APPC and Beyond (Session Continues)</p> <p>Moderator: Sangeet (YPEER Asia Pacific Center), Alexa (APA), and Sai (ARROW)</p> <p>Session aim: The session will develop a common understanding among the participants on the 7 APPC & other related Intergovernmental Fora, potential avenues for CSO engagement. The session will also provide an understanding of ICPD+30 review processes at the global level through global dialogues and other interventions.</p> <p>Method: Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Diene Keita, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UNFPA & other UNFPA delegates (2.30 pm) UNFPA: An overview of global processes leading up to ICPD+30 UNFPA: Avenues for CSO engagement in the processes leading up to ICPD+30 Moderated Q&A
15:00 pm – 15:30 pm	Tea/ Coffee break
15:30 pm – 16:30 pm	<p>Moderator: Alexa and Sai</p> <p>Action planning and coordination at the 7th APPC Intergovernmental Forum</p> <p>The session will focus on the 7th APPC communications, advocacy, CSO statements and related preparations and Comms planning</p>
16:30 pm – 17:00 pm	Closing of the Forum

APPC Pre- Youth Forum

13 November 2023

11:00 am – 17:00 am, BKK Time

Note: The APPC CSO and Youth Forum will be held in a cohesive and coordinated manner. On day 1, 13 November, young people will hold the Youth Forum after the joint welcome from 11.00 am onwards. On day 2, young people will join the CSO forum and strategise collectively for the 7th APPC. The Youth Forum will take place in Meeting Room H (UNCC Level 1)

Agenda

Overall Objectives of the 7th APPC Youth and CSO Forum

- To discuss and share the national and regional progress, gaps and challenges towards implementing the 6th APPC Ministerial Declaration and the ICPD Programme of Action in the Asia and the Pacific
- To inform diverse CSOs on the 7th APPC processes and ensure substantive CSO input into the 7APPC inter-governmental proceedings
- To develop recommendations and key advocacy and communication messages including from diverse communities and young people at the CSO stakeholder consultations to inform advocacy with Member States and advance the APPC and the ICPD agenda in Asia and the Pacific; and
- To take the outcomes forward beyond 7APPC to the global, and national level in the lead up to global ICPD+30 processes by strengthening the linkages with sustainable and just development in order to ensure no one is left behind.

Specific Objectives of the 7th APPC Youth Forum:

- *To support the development of a youth call-to-action (recommendations) to provide input to the 7th APPC process and the global review of the ICPD PoA.*
- *To support young people in creating and amplifying messages about their priorities linked to the APPC priority themes and ICPD+30 process.*
- *To support young people in APPC follow-up advocacy and accountability efforts at the national and regional levels*
- *To provide a platform for young people to share their knowledge and experience as well as provide them knowledge linking APMD, ICPD PoA, and SDGs.*

Youth Forum on Day 1: 13 November

Location	Time	Agenda Item
Meeting Room H	10:45 am – 11:00 am	Moderator: Sangay Gyanzo Quick Round of Introductions with First Name and Country -Announcement of the Drafting Team and Volunteer Rapporteurs -Announcement of the Individuals in charge of Video Messages Recording and Consent Taking
Meeting Room H	11:00 am – 11:30 am	Moderator: Sangay Gyanzo ICPD and the SDG Agenda: The Power and potential of Young People 10 minutes presentation - Dr. Aleksandar Sasha Bodiroza, Deputy Regional Director, UNFPA Asia and Pacific Regional Office 15 mins Q&A 5 minutes summary and next steps
	11:30 am – 11:45 am	Moderator: Lady Lisondra Asia-Pacific Ministerial Declaration on Population and Development (APMD) - presentation on youth participation and priorities in the APMD, snapshots of the APMD voluntary review survey results, and ways forward. 15 minutes presentation
	11:45 am – 12:45 am	Lunch
Meeting Room H	12:45 pm – 13:00 pm	Moderator: Fura Sherpa Sharing of few initiatives young people can join in regional level and national level activities after the 7 th APPC Sharing of ICPD30 Youth Member on what ICPD30 Regional Group is and how they had been contributing to ICPD Agenda Sharing from Member of Y-PEER AP/YouthLEAD on other Regional Initiatives linking ICPD and Youth Agenda
Meeting Room H	13:00 pm – 13:30 pm	Moderator: Fura Sherpa Youth Panel: Sharing of Youth initiatives that contribute to the ICPD agenda and the SDGs 1. CSE gender and development by a youth in 2. Y-PEER Bhutan / YPEERAP (SAARC) 3. YKP issues by Youth Lead, Indonesia (ASEAN) 4. The Pacific and the climate change: Dean, Cooks Islands (Pacific) 5. Youth and mental health / Youth and disabilities linking ICPD SRHR Agenda: (SAARC)
	13:30 pm – 15:00pm	Moderator: Sangeet Kayastha

