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# **"Universal Access to Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) in Asia and the Pacific: equality, quality & accountability"**

Working Group 1

# Who are excluded and how do we ensure inclusion and meaningful participation of communities?

Over 60% of the world's young people between the ages of 15-24 live in the Asia-Pacific region. Globally 263 million children are out of school, including 63 million children of primary-school age, 61 million of lower secondary-school age, and 139 million of upper secondary-school age.

For HIV, Almost half of new HIV infections in the region are among young key populations and their sexual partners.



## What are the biggest gaps, and emerging issues in sexual and reproductive rights and justice for the region?

- Lack of knowledge on SRH especially for young people out of school setting.
  - Challenges to access for the services for young people and adolescent
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# What are the opportunities/best practices to address sexual and reproductive rights and justice, and advance equality?

- **Youth Led Movement**
  - **Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE)**
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# How can we learn from/ advance sexual and reproductive rights and justice as we recover from COVID?

- Take a Comprehensive Approach
  - Prioritize Marginalized Populations
  - Innovate on Service Delivery
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# Recommendations for the way forward

1. Repeal laws and policies that restrict the young and adolescent key population to access the Sexual Reproductive Health, HIV services and information.
  2. The effects of gender inequality and gendered power imbalances continue to create barriers for women and women living with HIV to access services, especially Sexual and Reproductive Health Services.
  3. Commit to ensuring access to HIV prevention, testing and treatment for all
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