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We strongly recommend that the Pact include strong references to gender equality, SRHR, the most structurally excluded groups and human rights. Gender equality and SRHR are important prerequisites for all the sustainable development goals and must therefore be included in the Pact of the Future zero draft to reflect the interlinking and reinforcing nature of human rights, sustainability and development.

Implementation and accountability of existing human rights frameworks

Reinforce the full, effective and accelerated implementation of the Program of Action on the International Conference on Population and Development and the outcomes of its review conferences, including regional outcomes.

Enable and recommit to the full, effective and accelerated implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action of the Fourth World Conference on Women and the outcomes of its reviews.

Gender, human rights and SRHR

Mainstream and prioritize gender across the Pact of the Future. This is critical in terms of the implementation of all other sustainable development goals as well as for ensuring that the human rights of all women, adolescents, girls and other structurally excluded groups are realized.

Prioritize SRHR as a prerequisite for achieving gender equality, empowerment of women, girls and adolescents and structurally excluded communities. SRHR is intrinsically linked to sustainable development goals 3, 4, 5 and 10, and contributes to achieving many other targets.

Increase investment in gender and SRHR as critical priorities, recognizing the impacts of multiple and overlapping humanitarian, health, climate and economic crises and their importance in adapting and ensuring resilience to such crises.

Adolescents

Recognize and prioritize the specific age and gender barriers faced by adolescents – a forgotten group within the SDGs, even though a quarter of all women and girls are adolescents.

Recognize the importance of and commit to access for all adolescents to essential SRHR services and quality information – recognising the risk of poorer SRHR outcomes for this age cohort. This includes an unmet need for contraception, as well as complications in pregnancy being the leading cause of death for girls aged 15-19 years.

Leaving no one behind - reaching the most structurally excluded communities

Ensure strong commitments to address the needs of the most structurally excluded communities, including those facing multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination.

Commit to the safe and ethical collection of high-quality, timely and reliable data disaggregated by income, gender, age, race, ethnicity, migratory status, disability, geographic location and other characteristics relevant in national contexts.