

MEDIA ADVISORY

69th World Health Assembly—women and adolescent girls on the Fast-Track to ending the AIDS epidemic

The First Lady of Panama, Lorena Castillo de Varela, will host this high-level side event at the 69th World Health Assembly

- WHAT** **High-level side event hosted by the First Lady of Panama, Lorena Castillo de Varela, UNAIDS Special Ambassador for AIDS in Latin America**
- This session will focus on women and girls in the response to HIV. It will consider how best to further engage women and adolescent girls in designing and delivering essential programmes to meet their needs across three key areas: universal access to HIV treatment for women and girls, access to HIV prevention services for adolescent girls and young women and the elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV.
- WHEN** **Monday, 23 May 2016, 12:45–14:15**
- WHERE** **Palais des Nations, Salle XXIII**
- WHO** Panellists include ministers of health from **Brazil, Côte d’Ivoire, El Salvador, Panama, Portugal** and **South Africa, the Ambassador of the United States of America to the United Nations and Other International Organizations in Geneva**, the **Executive Director of UNAIDS**, Michel Sidibé, the **Director-General of the World Health Organization**, Margaret Chan, the **Executive Director of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria**, Mark Dybul, and **HIV activist Angelina Namiba**.

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