

# THEMATIC SEGMENT AGENDA

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VENUE: Geneva, Switzerland

TIME: 09:00 – 17:00

**Key objectives and focus of the meeting**

The thematic segment will provide an opportunity for the PCB to discuss about the inequalities that are preventing progress in the HIV response for key populations, especially transgender people, and how the HIV response can more effectively reduce the risk and impacts of HIV among these populations. Examples of initiatives being implemented in all regions will be presented, especially those tailored by and responding to the needs of transgender communities in all their diversity. Finally, recommendations will be made for the improvement of the HIV response at national, regional and global levels.

In particular, the thematic segment will focus on the following issues:

1. Analyze the burden of HIV among priority and key populations through an inequalities lens (prevalence, new infections, AIDS-related deaths). Review progress against global HIV targets (including 10-10-10 targets on societal enablers and 30-80-80 targets on community-led responses) and highlight current HIV evidence and gaps.
2. Discuss about the inequalities and human rights barriers preventing progress in the HIV response for key populations (access to health services, stigma and discrimination, criminalization and punitive laws, etc.)
3. Identify the challenges, needs and gaps in the HIV response for transgender people including in the context of dynamic HIV responses and evolving systems for health.
4. Identify best practices and innovative interventions that can lead the response for the achievement of the 2025 targets for key populations, especially transgender people, including on societal enablers.
5. Explore recommendations on global, country and country actions; and
6. Suggest recommendations and next steps.

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### Moderators:

- **Erika Castellanos**, Member of Trans United Europe - BPOC Trans Network
- **Cecilia Chung**, Senior Director of Strategic Initiatives and Evaluation, Transgender Law Center

### 09:00 – 09:45 Opening dialogue and keynote addresses

*The keynote speakers will provide big-picture strategic vision regarding the session objectives.*

- *Winnie Byanyima*, UNAIDS Executive Director
- *Symmy Larrat Brito de Carvalho*, National Secretary for the Promotion and Defense of the Rights of LGBTQIA+ People, Brazil
- *Erika Castellanos*, Member of Trans United Europe - BPOC Trans Network

### 09:45 – 10:00 Session overview

*This session will provide the main highlights from the thematic segment background note.*

- *Christine Stegling*, Deputy Executive Director, Policy, Advocacy and Knowledge, UNAIDS Secretariat

### 10:00 – 10:30 Remarks from the floor

### 10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

### 11:00 – 12:15 Panel discussion 1: The data on inequalities and recommendations to improve the HIV response for priority and key populations, especially transgender people

*This session will feature a panel of speakers who will focus on data and gaps in data about key populations, especially transgender people, a country-level analysis, community-led research and data, research on medical aspects and a presentation on the WHO Consolidated guidelines on HIV, viral hepatitis and STI prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care for key populations.*

- *Elizabeth Benomar*, Global Coordinator HIV/AIDS Sexual and Reproductive Health Branch, Technical Division, UNFPA

- *Shobini Rajan*, Deputy Director General, National AIDS Control Organisation, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, India
- *Zhenya Mayilyan*, President of Real World, Real People NGO, Armenia
- *Antons Mozalevskis*, Technical Officer - Key Populations, Global HIV, Hepatitis and STIs Programme, WHO

#### **Remarks from the floor**

#### **12:15 – 13:30 Lunch Break**

#### **13:30 – 15:00 Panel discussion 2: Human Rights, Stigma and Discrimination and other societal enablers**

*This session will feature a panel of speakers who will focus on the latest research and evidence regarding a human-rights based approach to HIV for key populations, indigenous perspectives, successful approaches to law reform, the impact of criminal and punitive laws and community-led reform efforts as well as a best practice on improving legal environments and addressing stigma and discrimination.*

- *Edwin Cameron* – Former Justice of the Constitutional Court and current Inspecting Judge of the Judicial Inspectorate for Correctional Services, South Africa
- *James Makokis*, Family physician, Saddle Lake Cree Nation in northeastern Alberta, Canada
- *Mandeep Dhaliwal*, Director HIV, Health & Development Group, UNDP
- *Gumisayi Bonzo*, Executive Director, Transsmart Trust, Zimbabwe
- *Ariadne Ribeiro Ferreira*, Officer, Equality and Rights for All, UNAIDS Country Office, Brazil

#### **Remarks from the floor**

#### **15:00 – 15:30 Coffee Break**

#### **15:30 – 17:00 Panel discussion 3: Sustainable financing for key populations and community-led responses**

*This session will feature a panel of speakers who will focus on trends and challenges in funding for community-led responses for key populations, especially transgender people, good practices in financing community-led responses for key population HIV health and well-being, engagement of key populations, especially transgender people, in governance*

*mechanisms and decision making and gaps, lessons learned, and recommendations for financing the HIV response for key populations.*

- *Paul Bekkers*, Ambassador, Permanent Representative to the UN, WTO and other international organisations in Geneva, the Netherlands
- *Masen Davis*, Executive Director of Funders Concerned About AIDS, USA
- *Lynn Regina*, Executive Director of FondyGender, Côte d'Ivoire
- *Ed Ngoskin*, Senior Technical Coordinator, Investment Support and Key Populations Community Rights and Gender Department, Global Fund

### **Remarks from the floor**

### **17:00 – 17:15 Conclusions and the way forward**

- Closing reflections on behalf of the Cosponsors by CCO Chair, UNODC
- **Christine Stegling**, Deputy Executive Director, Policy, Advocacy and Knowledge, UNAIDS Secretariat