PCB NGO Delegation to UNAIDS board

Overview of work

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Programme Coordinating Board (PCB)

PCB is the governing body of UNAIDS consists of: 22 voting member states 10 cosponsors **NGO** Delegation (one delegate and one alternate from each of 5 regions) Chair – The Netherlands Vice Chair – El Salvador Rapporteur - Japan

NGO Delegation 2010: Composition

- Africa: The AIDS Support Organization (TASO); AIDS and Rights Alliance for Southern Africa
- Asia / Pacific: 7 Sisters; Asia-Pacific Network of Sex Workers
- Europe: International AIDS Vaccine Initiative; International Network of People who Use Drugs
- Latin America / Caribbean: Caribbean Vulnerable Communities Coalition; Corporación Kimirina
- North America: Ontario HIV Treatment Network; International Planned Parenthood Federation, Western Hemisphere

Communication Facility

- Communication Facility (CF) of the UNAIDS PCB NGO Delegation
 - Endorsed by PCB in June 2007 ; started April 2008
 - To strengthen NGO participation and support enhanced incorporation of country-level civil society voices in PCB-related dialogue
- Independent of UNAIDS, hosted by ICASO, directly guided by the NGO Delegation

Communication Facility cont'd

Goal

 Enhance the effectiveness and accountability of the Delegation, and ensure transparency of information and the validity of representative voices

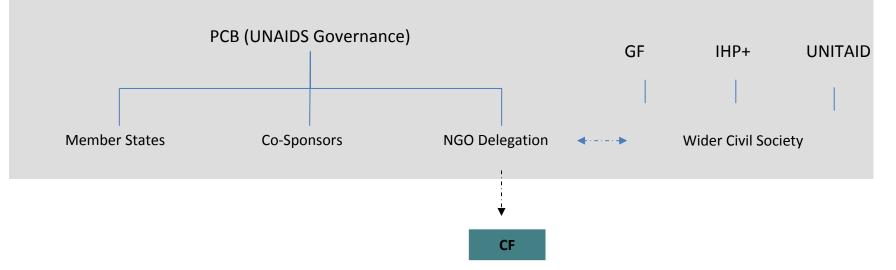
Key tasks

- Meet major administrative needs of the Delegation
- Address Delegation communication needs
- Achieve Delegation stakeholder outreach and management
- Web site www.unaidspcbngo.org



Aim of all: International policies respond to the needs of individuals and communities affected by HIV and AIDS

NGO Delegation Goal: Make UNAIDS policy more relevant and supportive of persons living with and affected by HIV & AIDS.



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What happened in the last PCB?

Thematic session: linking sexual and reproductive health services to HIV interventions in practice

Report from the Executive Director of UNAIDS

- Highlighted accomplishments and shortfalls towards universal access and renewal of commitments, with an extension of the deadline to 2015 and a high level meeting in 2011
- UN High-Level Prevention Commission
- Treatment as prevention under "Treatment 2.0"
- Launch of the High level commission on HIV and the Law

Gender sensitivity of the AIDS response

Next update to include a section on the policy and programmatic progress achieved at country level

UNAIDS passed a new vision and mission statement

"Zero new HIV infections. Zero discrimination. Zero AIDS-related deaths."

Last PCB: UNAIDS Evaluation follow up

- Notes the need to increase participation from the Middle East and North Africa and other under-represented regions and constituencies
- The subcommittee of the budget (with civil society participation) will be reconvened
- Thematic sessions will be moved to the third day of a board meeting (except when the budget is being reviewed) so that the topic of the thematic can be better followed up in the next meeting
- New UNAIDS' partnership strategy will have distinct strategy with civil society, focused at country level

Last PCB: NGO report: stigma & discrimination

- Reaffirmed commitment to 2001 and 2006 political declarations;
- Supported High Level review in 2011 with focus on S & D;
- Supported the evaluation and expansion of stigma and discrimination programs;
- Supported the training of health care workers, notably around sexuality and the specific needs of key populations;
- Agreed to strengthen tools for stigma measurement and the inclusion of PLHIV and key populations in their development;
- Supported the improvement of global, national and programmatic indicators, specific to key populations;
- Called on Member states to remove punitive laws; and
- Requested that Member States increase direct participation of PLHIV and key populations in programming and data collection.

What is happening at the next PCB?

- Thematic session on Food and nutritional security and HIV
- Agenda items:
 - UNAIDS Strategic Plan 2011-2015
 - Progress Report on implementation of the SIE
 - Report of the PCB Task Force on SIE follow-up related to all aspects of Governance
 - Gender-sensitivity of AIDS responses
 - Universal Access
 - New NGO Delegates to be announced

Interactions and communications

- Check the website regularly for updates and send back comments: <u>www.unaidspcbngo.org</u>
- Sign up for googlegroups updates every month
- Cooperation on the thematic session core working group on food security
- How can we best communicate with you?

Contacts

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Thank you!