# 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

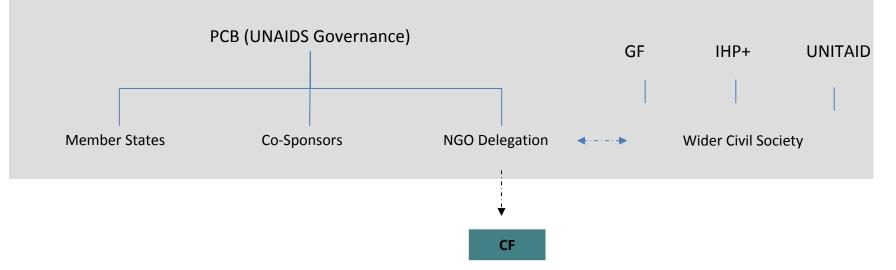
### Key tasks

- 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

# All delegates can be contacted via: <u>www.unaidspcbngo.org</u>

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Thank you!