



## **Side event at the 20<sup>th</sup> session of the UPR**

Launch of new UNFPA report:

### ***“Lessons From the First Cycle of the Universal Periodic Review: From Commitment to Action on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights”***

3 November, 2014 in Geneva,  
Delegates Restaurant – Geneva room

12:45-14:15

*Light lunch provided from 12:30*

This side event will examine the relevance of the Universal Periodic Review to enhance global accountability as well as national policy dialogue for implementation and tracking of progress on sexual and reproductive health and rights.

The event will launch the report *“Lessons From the First Cycle of the Universal Periodic Review: From Commitment to Action on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights”*. The report explores the role of the UPR mechanism in advancing the realization of sexual and reproductive health and rights at the global, regional and country levels by assessing the attention given to these issues during the first cycle of the UPR and identifying how this level of attention can be further enhanced through all stages of the UPR process. Findings of the report will be presented and discussed to inform Member States, civil society, UN agencies and other stakeholders on efforts to advance sexual and reproductive health and rights through strengthened engagement with the UPR process.

#### **AGENDA**

##### **Opening remarks:**

- ♦ Shahrzad Tadjbakhsh, Chief, UPR Branch, OHCHR

##### **Special remarks:**

- ♦ H.E. Bogdan Benko, State Secretary/Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia  
*“Planning, coordinating and monitoring efforts at national level to ensure the implementation of UPR recommendations ”*

##### **Presentation of the Report:**

- ♦ Luis Mora, Chief, Gender, Human Rights and Culture Branch, UNFPA

##### **Presentation of country experience and response to the report:**

- ♦ H.E. Ambassador Steffen Kongstad, Permanent Representative of Norway
- ♦ H.E. Ambassador Regina Dunlop, Permanent Representative of Brazil (tbc)

##### **Commentators:**

- ♦ Pramila Patten, Vice Chairperson, CEDAW
- ♦ Sandeep Prasad, Executive Director, Action Canada for Population and Development (ACPD) (tbc)

##### **Q&A**

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