



WOMEN'S
GLOBAL NETWORK
FOR REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

Celebrating 30 years of Reproductive Justice Work!



W G N R R

Strategic Plan

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Introduction to strategic plan

The strategic plan 2014-16 has been produced with input from staff and board and is informed by the work of our members and allies. Our planned goals objectives and ways of working have been influenced by a number of factors.

Firstly our decision in 2010 to strengthen our promotion of Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights (SRHR) as human rights has refocused our rights based advocacy. While we continue to use the range of international treaties and conventions to hold governments accountable, we see human rights treaties and the monitoring bodies as especially important mechanisms for advancing SRHR. They can be used to report SRHR violations and to gain recognition for victims and defenders actions. They are the only legally binding agreements which have mechanisms for gaining recognition and justice for those whose rights are denied. Until now there has been limited use of the formal reporting mechanisms for SRHR but expertise is developing amongst activists and legal advocates such as The Centre for Reproductive Rights (CRR) who are bringing cases to national and international courts. We will continue to develop this work and enhance our skills and expertise in this field and work strategically with members and allies to increase the effectiveness of HR mechanisms in achieving SRHR, increase our members' ability to use these mechanisms and enhance protection strategies for SRHR advocates.

Another major influence in our planned work for the next three years is the ongoing consultations on what the post 2015 development agenda should encompass and our desire to ensure that SRHR are central to any new development goals. We will continue to monitor the review of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) Programme of Action (PoA) and the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs). However, the many failures are unlikely to be addressed within the remaining time period for implementation, and we believe we must equally focus our efforts on influencing any new development frameworks, associated goals and monitoring systems, thereby ensuring that SRHR is recognized as central to addressing inequalities, poverty reduction and gender equality. We will therefore support our network members to participate in the consultation processes and articulate the need for a strong SRHR focus, as well as work with our partners and allies to develop and advance SRHR within the development goals.

Finally an evaluation undertaken in 2011, of the move to the global south in 2009, indicated that whilst the organization was now perceived as southern based, our ability to connect with grassroots organisations was affected by having the majority of staff based in Manila. This has led to further decentralization of the staff team, in an effort to be closer to the members and allies, and those with whom we seek to connect and mobilise WGNRR will continue this approach.

In the next 3 to 5 years, WGNRR will focus our work within four programme areas which have been selected based on our historical priorities, the needs of our current network, and our assessment of how we can best contribute to global efforts to achieve sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) for all people.

Who is WGNRR?

“We advocate and campaign for the realization of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) for all people”

We understand SRHR to include a set of interrelated universal, indivisible and inalienable human rights accompanied by the necessary socio-economic conditions for them to be realised. Full SRHR enable all peoples to have safe, and fulfilling sexual lives, to express their gender identity and sexual orientation; to access comprehensive information and services; and to freely decide if, when, how often and with whom to have children, free from coercion and violence; this includes the right of access to safe, legal and voluntary abortion.

What do we want?

- ✓ Sexual and reproductive rights are respected as universal and indivisible human rights;
- ✓ We all have the social, political and economic power and resources to make autonomous decisions about our gender, sexuality and when, whether and how many children we have;
- ✓ Everyone is able to enjoy a safe and pleasurable sex life with their partner of choice free from violence and coercion
- ✓ The rights to safe, legal abortion services and post-abortion care are provided with full, sustained government support so that services are accessible, affordable and available in all our communities, regardless of age or marital status
- ✓ There is an end to the stigmatisation and criminalisation of those of us who choose to access safe abortion services, who offer safe abortion services, and who defend rights to safe, legal abortion;

- ✓ There is an end coerced sterilisation, forced abortion and abstinence-only programming;
- ✓ We all have access to universal nondiscriminatory sexual and reproductive health care services, low cost generic medical supplies;
- ✓ Formal and informal education programmes in all of our communities which offers comprehensive sexuality education, not subjected to obstruction or stigmatisation by other institutions or influential persons;

“WGNRR’s work is based on the foundation that sexual and reproductive rights are human rights”

Sexual and reproductive rights are human rights and should be respected, protected and fulfilled, as articulated in numerous Human Rights treaties and consensus documents. WGNRR adopts a reproductive justice approach to our work. We recognise the connection between social, economic, cultural and religious issues and the ability of people to fulfill their sexual and reproductive rights. We therefore provide a comprehensive view of SRHR and include issues of social and economic justice and an analysis of the socio-economic conditions which need to change to enable rights to be realised. We believe this requires transformative social change and we will work with our members and allies to identify and demand the changes required within their different social contexts.

“We believe that the denial and withholding of sexual and reproductive health services constitutes an act of violence against women (VAW)”

The UN Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women (CEDAW) and Inter-American Declaration on Prevention, Punishment and Eradication of Violence against Women “Convention of Belem do Para” explicitly state that violence against women includes “physical, sexual and psychological violence perpetrated or condoned by the State or its agents regardless of where it occurs”. In this regard systematic denial and withholding of sexual and reproductive health services through restrictive laws on the one hand and through obstructing access to services on the other hand constitutes an act of institutional violence which has a detrimental effect in the lives of all women, specifically impacting the most marginalised groups such as young unmarried women, women with disabilities, HIV positive women, indigenous women, sex workers, lesbians, transgender and others.

The full state of reproductive health is achieved by being able to exercise one’s reproductive rights which embrace human rights such as freedom to information, freedom to bodily integrity, freedom to life without violence and others, which are already recognized in national laws, international human rights documents and other consensus documents.

One of the loudest examples of violence against women when it comes to women’s sexual and reproductive health is to systematically deny the right and access to safe and legal abortion services. Institutional violence against women is perpetrated in cases when women are forced by restrictive abortion laws to carry to term an unwanted pregnancy or that puts their health and life at risk subjecting them to cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment. This particularly concerns the countries that prohibit abortion on all grounds including when a woman’s life and health are in danger.

States which subject women to judicial and non-judicial persecution, including imprisonment for undergoing an abortion or pressing charges of illegal abortion for women who suffered miscarriages perpetuate an even greater degree of institutional violence against women, firstly by denying access to safe abortion services and secondly by persecuting them under the law.

Denial or active obstruction to modern methods of contraceptives is still practiced by many governments around the world and constitute yet another act of institutional violence against women. Governments are implicit in violence against women when they endorse gender inequality and patriarchal norms; when they keep in place restrictive laws and policies based on the archaic cultural and religious grounds; when they sanction negative attitudes towards young people seeking information about contraceptives methods and services; and when they do not prioritise reproductive health services including access to contraceptives in the health policies and budgets, which results in limited availability of the services and lead to further lack of knowledge and misconceptions.

Issues such as access to safe and legal abortion and promotion of access to contraceptives methods and services are highly charged with stigma. Therefore, women human rights defenders (WRHD) working in defense of women’s sexual and reproductive rights, are being threaten, harassed, criminalized and assaulted all over the world, just because they have challenged a patriarchal system that suppress women’s rights.

When the state truly cares about the well-being of women, it is obliged to take all possible efforts to eliminate Violence against Women. One important strategy in this direction should be protection of women’s human rights defenders, both as victims of sexist and patriarchal violence and as guardians of women’s rights.

“We are a global network established 30 years ago!”

WGNRR uses the term members and allies interchangeably referring to over 1000 individuals and organisations who are part of the WGNRR network, who share common goals, and commit themselves to sharing skills and information, joint advocacy and support for WGNRR campaigns and actions. In turn, WGNRR commits itself to support the work of the network members by connecting them with SRHR advocates and activists around the world for campaigning and advocacy, provides global SRHR knowledge sharing and communications platforms, critical analysis of laws policies and practices that impact SRHR, advocacy skills building tools and capacity building activities and seeks new ways to strengthen the global SRHR movement.

We believe the collective knowledge, skills and experiences of network members are our greatest strength. We are able both to gather realities from within local communities and influence policy and practice from the grassroots upwards to regional and national governments.

“We make strategic partnerships to strengthen advocacy and campaigning actions”

We identify and develop strategic partnerships with SRHR international organisations (SRHRIO) and other networks for effective campaigning and joint advocacy to hold governments and policy makers accountable, to their global commitments and human rights obligations.

WGNRR aims to enhance and support the work of SRHRIO national and regional networks and seeks to develop complimentary strategies. Our work differs from region to region, depending on the strength and resources of SRHRIO, and national and regional networks. Where strong regional SRHR networks exist, we will work in partnership with these networks and focus on connecting their members with the WGNRR network, adding value to existing knowledge and skills, developing and implementing joint strategies and linking the networks. Where networks are not so well developed, where the networks do not work with grassroots organisations, or where requested to do so, WGNRR will directly engage at local and national

level, offering SRHR information, advocacy skills building, support development of local campaign activities, and forming new SRHR networks.

WGNRR’s approach to working with its network members & strategic partners

Empowerment - Our members and allies are empowered and supported to take actions based on their own knowledge and experiences.

Grassroots & community led - We believe that our actions should be informed and led by grassroots and community organisations and the people whose lives international agreements such as ICPD and the MDGs are aimed at improving.

In partnership - WGNRR works in partnership with members and allies to strengthen its impact and work to achieve shared goals. WGNRR seeks to enhance and not duplicate the work of national and regional SRHR networks, and emphasizes our ability to connect SRHR activists globally.

“Where do we work?”

To better harness the potential of the knowledge, skills and experiences of our member’s and allies we are strategic about how we direct our resources. We direct resources and actions to the countries where the need is greatest. These decisions are informed by our network members and partners, and the organisations that can have the most impact on policy and service provision. WGNRR has members in 100 countries. Most recently we have supported the development of new SRHR networks in Tanzania, Kenya, Nigeria, Nepal and DRC and held workshops and advocacy skills building sessions in Pakistan, Malaysia, Indonesia, Thailand, and South Africa. In 2012, members from 50 countries joined our campaign activities, with over 9000 people engaged in actions around the world, whilst our social media platforms have a reach of over a million people.

We are the Women’s Global Network for Reproductive rights

Because the oppression of women and gender based discrimination is ongoing we use the term “woman/women”. At the same time we do so with a critical reflexivity that recognises the nuances and right to people’s unique sexual and gender identities and expressions. Our goal is to be as inclusive as possible. We also recognise that “women” are not a monolithic group and that they have diverse identities that vary due to their social location and the socio-economic,

political, and multicultural contexts in which their lives are embedded. Thus, we advocate for all women, regardless of their social location, to achieve full SRHR. WGNRR works in partnership with organisations that work with men and on men's' SRHR issues. We recognise that men, especially young men, need to be engaged and actively support advocacy strategies in order to achieve SRHR for all people. WGNRR seeks to capacitate young women and men to effectively advocate for their SRHR, with particular focus on our four thematic areas, supporting them to lead the decision making processes that will impact their sexual and reproductive lives.

Our History

Established 30 years ago in The Netherlands, WGNRR has lent an important feminist perspective to international conferences such as the 1994 Cairo International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) and the 1995 Beijing Women's Conference. WGNRR played a crucial role in the running up to and aftermath of the ICPD Cairo and Beijing Conferences by placing women's reproductive rights not only in a health but also in a socio-political context. WGNRR combined analysis and protest against abusive population control policies and practices with emphasis on the creation of enabling conditions for women to make decisions about their own bodies and lives and to have access to the means to do so.

In 2005, WGNRR decided to reposition itself as a global feminist and grassroots network and relocate to the Global South. It was a decision inspired by the WGNRR's regionalisation strategy put in place after the 1990 WGNRR Members Policy Meeting in Manila,

Philippines. The decision follows the strategic aim of the network to bring issues and experiences of local SRHR groups, particularly in the global south, into global policy debates. This is aimed at ensuring that the content of global civil society SRHR advocacy is informed by local and national SRHR concerns. In 2008, WGNRR successfully relocated its Coordinating Office (CO) to the Philippines after 25 years in the Netherlands. The organisation has extended its decentralisation and in addition to Finance and Operations staff in Manila has Programme Officers, volunteers and interns located in Africa, Asia, Latin America and Europe. The WGNRR board includes representatives of regional networks and member organisations in Indonesia, Kenya, Mali, Romania, Puerto Rico, The Netherlands, and USA. WGNRR has supported the development of a number of national SRHR networks. Some focus specifically on abortion advocacy access, whilst others are more broad based. In both our goal is to develop strong relationships with existing national and regional networks for shared advocacy and campaigning.

WGNRR has 30 years' experience of mobilising and campaigning on SRHR issues. In 1987 WGNRR established 28th of May as the Day of Action for Women's Health in partnership with feminist allies and colleagues such Latin American and Caribbean Women's Health Network, and each year produces a call for action and support materials for members and allies. In 2011, at the request of the Latin American Campaign to Decriminalise Abortion, WGNRR globalised the 28th September Day of action and established the September 28th Global Day of Action for safe and legal abortion. These campaigns continue to be a magnet for activists globally and attract new supporters.

More recently.....

WGNRR enhanced its focus on SRHR as HR in 2010 and since that time has developed and disseminated advocacy tools using HR frameworks for SRHR issues. We have strengthened our relationships with the HR community and a member of the Women Human Rights Defenders International Coalition (IWHRD IC). We will share HR protection and reporting mechanisms for use in SRHR violations and seeking to enhance the HR communities' recognition of SRHR as HR.

Most recently, WGNRR has played an active role in the final reviews of International Convention on Population and Development (ICPD) and Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) and participated in the global consultations for the new development agenda (NDA). WGNRR has ECOSOC status and uses this to enable network members to register for UN events. Working with our strategic allies we have also provided practical support to enable our network members to engage in consultations, by preparing fact sheets and training sessions particularly targeting youth advocates. We have provided members and allies with regular information about the NDA consultative processes and the opportunities for engagement, and shared tools in order to promote the inclusion of SRHR and our thematic priorities within the NDA goals .

WGNRR Mission, Vision and Values

Vision

WGNRR envisages a world where all people can fulfill their sexual and reproductive rights.

Mission

We are a southern-based global network that builds and strengthens movements for sexual and reproductive health, rights (SRHR) and justice. Our work is grounded in the realities of those who most lack economic, social and political power. Through critical analysis and strategic actions, we connect members and allies, build knowledge, organise campaigns and share resources. WGNRR works to realise the full sexual and reproductive health and rights of all people, with a particular focus on the most marginalised. We believe that achieving this goal requires transformative social change.

Values

WGNRR works within rights, justice and feminist frameworks. Our guiding principles are non-discrimination, respect, equality, transparency, accountability and inclusivity. We are committed to equality for all genders and value diversity. We are member-focused, self-reflective and independent from political, governmental and religious institutions.

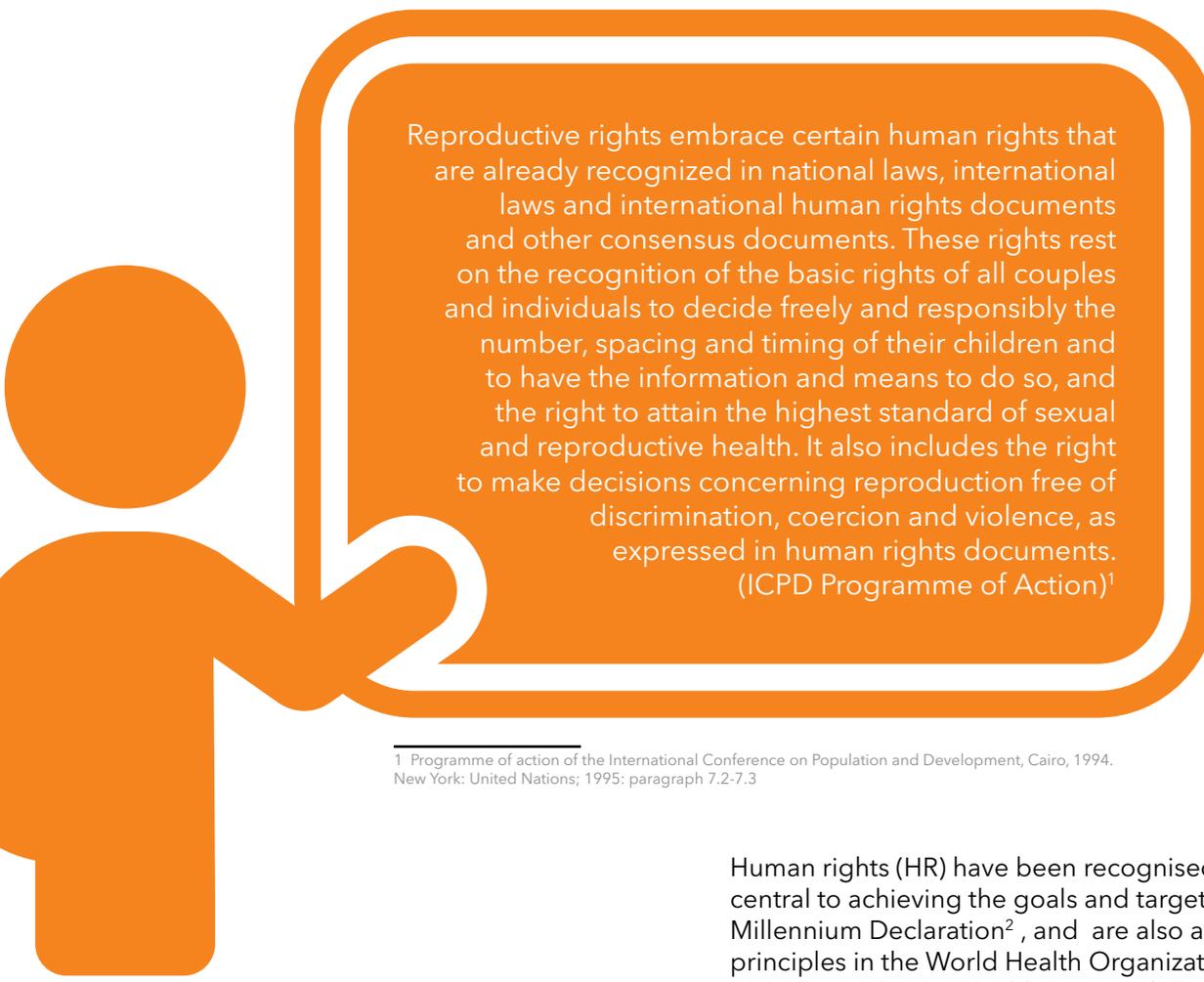
WGNRR Three Year Goal 2014-2016

Active participation in SRHR social movements with a coherent strategy for connecting global and local actions. Enhanced recognition and protection of each person's human right to express and enjoy their sexuality, gender identity and choose whether, how many, when and with whom to have children. SRHR is recognized by governments and policy makers as essential for sustainable development, combatting poverty and addressing inequalities.

To advance our goal for 2014-2016 we will use and promote Human Rights Frameworks and Human Rights monitoring reporting and protection mechanisms for our advocacies and for the protection of SRHR defenders. We will focus on ensuring progressive SRHR commitments within the NDA.

Why have we chosen Human Rights as our main framework to achieve our goal?

Reproductive rights were affirmed as human rights in at the International Conference on Population and Development in 1994. Since that time there have been references to SRHR as basic human rights in a number of International conventions such as CEDAW and ICESCR, various Treaty Bodies who monitor the HR conventions.



Reproductive rights embrace certain human rights that are already recognized in national laws, international laws and international human rights documents and other consensus documents. These rights rest on the recognition of the basic rights of all couples and individuals to decide freely and responsibly the number, spacing and timing of their children and to have the information and means to do so, and the right to attain the highest standard of sexual and reproductive health. It also includes the right to make decisions concerning reproduction free of discrimination, coercion and violence, as expressed in human rights documents. (ICPD Programme of Action)¹

¹ Programme of action of the International Conference on Population and Development, Cairo, 1994. New York: United Nations; 1995: paragraph 7.2-7.3

Human rights (HR) have been recognised as being central to achieving the goals and targets of the Millennium Declaration², and are also as guiding principles in the World Health Organization's (WHO's) 2004 Reproductive Health Strategy.³ Despite these many references to SRHR as Human rights, the mechanisms set up to monitor states recognition

² <http://www.un.org/millennium/declaration/ares552e.htm>

³ The strategy to accelerate progress. Reproductive health strategy to accelerate progress towards the attainment of international development goals and targets. Geneva: World Health Organization; 2004:21.

of human rights obligations have not given the same emphasis to SRHR as to other human rights. Additionally SRHR advocates have only used the reporting systems in a limited way to force recognition by states of the need to implement appropriate legislation and policies to afford SRHR to all its citizens. In recent years this situation has begun to change and advocates are more frequently using human rights language to frame advocacies however this is still limited to organisations with expertise in human rights. There has been a few important rulings on different aspects of SRHR as HR, for example The Centre for Reproductive Rights (CRR) have developed cases on specific sexual rights such as right to contraceptives and right to abortion.

“Women’s reproductive rights are essential to realizing a wide range of fundamental human rights. In particular, women’s lives, liberty and security, health, autonomy, privacy, equality and non-discrimination and education, among others, cannot be protected without ensuring that women can determine when, how and whether to bear children, control their bodies and sexuality, access essential sexual and reproductive health information and services, and be free from violence.”⁴

Human Rights is a powerful, broad and intersectional frame for SRHR advocacy. It encompasses and connects other frames including autonomy, health, citizenship and choice. However, the human rights frameworks are instruments that are currently underused in advancing SRHR. WGNRR believes that human rights frameworks are currently underused

⁴ Reproductive Rights are Human Rights - CRR 2009

in advancing SRHR. Together, with allies in HR communities and via its membership in Women Human Rights Defenders International Coalition (WHRD IC), WGNRR will develop tools and skills to enable more widespread use of HR based advocacy for SRHR. This is because countries can be held accountable for non-implementation of human rights and there are existing monitoring bodies and mechanisms to hold them accountable. This is not true for agreements and declarations such as ICPD and Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA). HRs offer SRHR advocates a stronger framework for advocacy, a system for reporting abuses and gaining legal redress. HR are universal and inalienable; indivisible; interdependent and interrelated and this provides a framing that defends SRHR for ALL people free, from social and cultural influences.

Why will we focus on advancing SRHR within the new development agenda?

In 1994, representatives from 179 Countries gathered in Cairo, Egypt for the International Conference on Population and Development. A 20-year plan was adopted to address key population issues. In 2000 the eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) were agreed. MDG 5 focused on reducing maternal health by three quarters, between 1990 and 2015 and in 2007, in recognition of slow progress towards this goal; a new target MDG 5(b) to achieve, universal access to reproductive health was added. In the strategic plan 2011-13 we stated we would use these frameworks for our advocacies. Although

we recognised the many shortcomings of both the MDGS and the ICPD; the former, for example, was primarily an initiative led by developed countries, and they both fail to substantively include sexual rights or women's full sexual and human rights; we believed they provide useful opportunities for policy advocacy at national, local and regional levels although.

It is, by now, evident that neither MDG targets 5 or 5 (b) will be reached and full implementation of the ICPD PoA will not be achieved within the original target of 2014. Whilst the PoA is extended beyond 2014 committing governments to continue towards the stated goals, we fear that ICPD is being overshadowed in the creation of the post-2015 agendas (NDA). It is also worrying that the PoA is under constant threat and there are attempts to weaken SRHR language in the annual review process.

We are entering into the final review processes of the ICPD and MDGs and whilst we continue to participate in these processes, and defend the language and PoA, we must also draw upon the experiences of the challenges and opportunities of the existing frameworks to help us identify what we need, within the new development architecture, to best help us achieve SRHR.

The current definitions of SRHR- as in the MDGs and within the ICPD- are limited and do not adequately or holistically reflect the breadth of issues contained within SRHR. SRHR, such as 'maternal healthcare' and 'reproductive health' and needs expansion and recognition of issues including but not limited to: sexuality, sexual rights, and abortion. Women's health, as in the MDGs, has been reduced to a very narrow understanding: prevention of vertical transmission, and maternal mortality and morbidity. Furthermore by

making contraceptives and sexual activity the domain of the 'family', as in the concept of family planning is inadequate for expressing the full range of women's sexuality and choices, as well those as that of young people and people of diverse sexual and gender identities.

In addition, human rights must be explicitly referenced, with the understanding that any meaningful efforts towards sustainable development must posit people as the drivers of development rather than passive receivers of aid priorities and programming.

With the upcoming ICPD+20 review in 2014, and the concurrent discussions on the post-MDG agenda, we believe it is imperative for WGNRR to articulate a strong SRHR position, demanding a holistic and comprehensive definition of SRHR, to mobilise its network members, and engage at the national, regional, and international levels to influence the policy and development agendas and ensuring that SRHR remains integral to them. WGNRR also has the unique commitment and opportunity to ensure that the voices of our members, those specifically from the grassroots and community-based organisations in the Global South, resonate throughout the outcome documents and reflect targeted promises based on their realities.

Therefore we will give strong emphasis within all our work to actions that will strengthen our ability to articulate these demands within the consultation mechanisms established for civil society to provide input into the development of new development goals and targets.

Our Programme Areas

We have four programme areas and each has its own objectives, together the programme objectives support the realization of the 5 year goal. Our programmatic approach means all activities and actions are focused on specific aspects of SRHR which we believe are priorities for WGNRR, its network members and allies. Whilst youth is one of the four programmes, it is also a cross cutting theme, because youth have been marginalized in policy decisions and had their needs ignored, we will ensure full integration of a youth perspective and youth specific issues into all WGNRR activities. WGNRR's work will specifically address the cultural, social, economic and political barriers that young people face in accessing their SRHR and advocate for equal access to rights-based, youth-friendly sexual and reproductive health services and comprehensive sexuality education, and the meaningful leadership and engagement of young people in driving their own futures.

Goal: Sexual and Reproductive Rights of Young People

Increased recognition of young peoples¹ sexual and reproductive rights as human rights and improved availability of youth-focused/youth-centered sexual and reproductive health services². Increased actions undertaken by WGNRR, its members, partners to support youth led campaigning and advocacy on these issues.

¹ The term young people refers to people under 25

² Youth sexual and reproductive health services must include access to safe abortion, are comprehensive, affordable, needs and rights based, accessible, acceptable, and confidential free from parental or spousal consent

Goal: Access to Contraceptives

Increased recognition by network members, partners, the Human Rights community, and governments that access to the full range of contraceptive services, is a human right. Effective advocacy will result in improved access to the full range of affordable, quality, women centered, contraceptives and the inclusion of specific goals within the New Development Agenda (NDA).

Goal: Access to Safe, Legal Abortion

Increased recognition by network members, partners, and the Human Rights community and governments a woman's ability to decide whether to continue a pregnancy, which includes providing her with access to safe and legal abortion is a Human Right. Enhanced ability for members, partners and allies to advocate and campaign for universal access to safe, legal, affordable abortion services³ and undertake actions to combat abortion stigma and discrimination. Access to safe and legal abortion is a central component of universal reproductive health services, within any new development frameworks or agendas (NDA).

³ In all references to safe and legal abortion in this document we refer to universal access to safe legal accessible affordable abortion services free from stigma and discrimination

Goal: Sexual Rights for all people⁴

Increased awareness by network members, partners, and the Human Rights community and governments that sexual rights are human rights. Strengthened advocacy will highlight State obligations to specifically address sexual rights. Sexual rights will be specifically referenced within the NDA. WGNRR will prioritize increasing knowledge, strengthening partnerships and deepening efforts to advance the sexual rights of marginalized groups such as transgender people, sex workers, young people, women living with disabilities and women living with HIV.

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Why we chose our four programme areas?

Sexual Rights

Sexual rights are too often talked about only in the context of reproduction, and the right of each person to express their sexuality and identity safely and happily is often neglected. This area is particularly relevant to young people who often face barriers to express their sexuality, and discrimination in accessing information and services, including redress for sexual violence. The rights to sexual pleasure, to safe happy and fulfilling sex lives, are often overlooked especially for marginalised groups such as the disabled, and the special needs of older women are frequently ignored. People of diverse sexualities and gender identities continue to be denied the rights that are afforded to heterosexuals, such as the right to marry, inherit or start a family. More worrying is the rise of hate crimes experienced by those of diverse sexual or gender identities, sometimes encouraged and even sanctioned by church and State. WGNRR also works closely with sex workers organisations to support their work and to defend and promote the human rights of sex workers. Women with disabilities are often denied sexual rights with little recognition of their right to sexual pleasure. We seek to support and strengthen their actions through HR advocacy and campaigning and by developing appropriate protection systems, led by their priorities and strategies.

Youth

Nearly 1.8 billion of the world's population is aged between 15 and 24 years and 85% of these live in developing countries. We believe this group has specific unmet needs and the right to social, political and economic power and resources to make healthy decisions about their gender, bodies and sexuality for ourselves, their families and their communities. We believe that comprehensive SRHR awareness programming that is gender-sensitive, non-discriminatory and particularly relevant to young people's lives should be integrated into school curricula, in non-formal community-based education programmes, and specific initiatives developed for marginalised, out-of-school youth.

In these contexts, youth leadership development is especially important in order to ensure that youth needs and youth voices are adequately represented and included, and that young people define and drive their own futures

Contraceptives

Contraceptives are important not only to prevent pregnancy but also to prevent the spread and sexually transmitted infections (STI) and HIV, and to allow safe enjoyable sex for everyone. Worldwide over 33 million people are living with HIV, and there are 340 million cases of curable STIs each year¹. One in six married women are estimated to have an unmet need for family planning, meaning they want to postpone their next pregnancy or stop having children but they are not using an appropriate or effective method of contraception. Many unmarried women face the same challenge and young people face specific barriers as denied access to both services and information, because of their age or gender or due to the requirement for parental or spousal consent.

Whilst there has been enhanced recognition of the need to provide contraceptives, universal access, where women are able to choose and easily access the contraceptives method that meets their own needs, remains a challenge. WGNRR advocates for the full range of contraceptives to be made available, including the female condom. Social and cultural barriers to using contraceptives remain for many women, and the cost of services and commodities, and availability of service providers may mean they are out of reach for many, especially low income women and those living in rural communities or conflict areas.

¹ WHO

For some women, for example those living with HIV, indigenous women and women living with disabilities, forced contraceptive measures such as sterilization, must be addressed and the right to bodily integrity and self-determination must be upheld. WGNRR will advocate for voluntary, rights based contraceptive services as a human right

Abortion

40% of women of childbearing age live in countries with highly restrictive abortion laws and one in ten pregnancies end in an unsafe abortion; meaning every seven minutes a woman dies as a result. This extraordinary mortality rate leaves few lives untouched in some way by this catastrophe but abortion remains rarely talked about and access is chronically neglected. Restrictive laws limit access but social stigma and discrimination are equally important barriers and must be addressed. In most countries abortion is allowed on certain grounds, but frequently stigma results in misinformation and incorrect interpretation of the law by both services providers and women seeking services. In countries where laws have been Liberalized there are challenges by religious fundamentalists and those promoting policies to address falling populations in the global north. Together with our members and allies, WGNRR will advocate for increasing women's access to abortion by defending existing legislation, challenge restrictive laws and policies and advocating for decriminalization of abortion across the globe.

It is essential that we strongly advocate for access to safe abortion alongside access to contraceptives. While access to contraceptives may reduce the number of unwanted pregnancies, the need for safe abortion will continue. No method of contraception is totally fail safe. In addition, women will face unplanned pregnancies due to contraceptive failure, sexual violence and unplanned or unwanted sexual experiences. Access to safe abortion must be part of universal reproductive health services and recognized as human right.

The next three years

Over the next 3 years, WGNRR will therefore be networking, mobilising and campaigning with its members and allies, nationally, regionally and globally on these key programme areas. We will support capacity development through knowledge sharing and skills development, and place an emphasis on supporting and enhancing rights based policy analysis and advocacy at national level. Together we will strive for to support change at the global and local levels, utilizing the HR Frameworks, and international agreements such as ICPD PoA, MDGs, and Beijing Platform for Action and strongly articulate the demand that SRHR must be central to any new development agendas. We will promote sexual and reproductive rights as human rights and support the use of HR monitoring and reporting mechanisms to highlight SRHR violations and to hold governments and policy makers accountable to their HR obligations.

We aim to increase our knowledge on reproductive technologies, and surrogacy, and their impact on the human rights of marginalized and underserved communities such as people of diverse sexualities and genders, the disabled and poor women. We will seek to make alliances with those working in the field and use our position as a global network to begin a dialogue within the SRHR movement to identify the issues, the challenges and develop a position for WGNRR using our reproductive justice lens. We also seek to enhance our relationships with organisations working with disabled women, develop deeper understanding of the SRHR issues they face and adapt of advocacy tools and strategies to promote and defend their human rights. Finally we are looking forward to a closer alliance and partnership with the International Coalition of women living with HIV. Both networks believe there should be much closer integration of women's SRHR and HIV, a need to address the broader SRHR of Women Living with HIV and to increase the use of HR frameworks to enhance their SRHR. We will start with developing a common strategy and position on the SRHR of women living with HIV, and jointly promote the needs for alignment within women's SRHR movement. We will identify ways to enhance HR based advocacies and to link the membership.

Our Planned Activities within each Programme Area

1 Access to contraceptives

Objective

Increased recognition by WGNRR network members, partners, the Human Rights community and governments, that access to contraceptive services, is a human right

Effective advocacy and campaigning will result in improved access to the full range of affordable, quality, women centred, contraceptives for all women

Inclusion of specific goals within the New Development Agenda (NDA).

Activities

Gather evidence of denial of access to contraceptives and develop case studies highlighting HR abuses

Gather evidence of forced or coercive practices such as forced sterilization and develop case studies
Share case studies with network members and strategic partners, submit cases to appropriate monitoring bodies

Develop advocacy materials for use by grassroots organisations defining universal reproductive health services

Provide capacity building sessions/tools to increase network members' ability to advocate at national level.

Share national strategies and actions at regional level.

May 28th campaign theme and materials will promote access to contraceptives

Development of SRHR defenders protection systems for action alerts and enhanced security

Together with strategic partners develop specific goals requiring access to the full range of modern contraceptives, to be included in NDA and produce practical advocacy and campaigning tools for network members to advocate this position

Monitor NDA consultation processes and support network members participations
Inform network members on NDA development and capacitate them on monitoring and review systems once developed

2 Access to Safe Abortion

Objective

Increased recognition by network members, partners, the Human Rights community and governments that access to safe and legal abortion is a Human Right.

Enhanced ability for members, partners and allies to advocate and campaign for universal access to safe, legal, affordable abortion services

Undertake actions to combat abortion stigma and discrimination

Activities

Gather evidence of denial of access to abortion and develop case studies highlighting HR abuses. Gather evidence of forced or coercive abortions and develop case studies

Share case studies with network members and strategic partners, submit cases to appropriate monitoring bodies

Continue to play an active role in the advisory committee for the global campaign for safe abortion

Provide capacity building sessions/tools to increase network members' ability to advocate at national level.

Share national strategies and actions at regional level.

Support the development of national abortion advocacy networks and link with global campaign

Together with regional and national networks will lead activities on the global day of action on September 28th.

Provide campaign materials and online platform for September 28th activities

Develop shared advocacy strategies and actions between network members and medical practitioners

Development of SRHR defenders protection systems for action alerts and enhanced security

Include stigma in advocacy skills capacity building sessions

Identify and share tools relating to abortion stigma with network members

Access to safe and legal abortion is a central component of universal reproductive health services, within any new development frameworks or agendas

Together with strategic partners promote access to safe abortion in NDA, produce practical advocacy and campaigning tools for network members to advocate this position

Monitor NDA consultation processes and support network members participation and articulation of demand. Inform network members on NDA development and capacitate them on monitoring and review systems once developed

Increased understanding that contraceptives will not eliminate the need for abortion

WGNRR will continue develop materials to articulate the need for abortion in advocacies and campaigns relating to access to contraceptives

3 Sexual Rights

Objective

WGNRR will prioritize increasing knowledge, strengthening partnerships and deepening efforts to advance the sexual rights of marginalized groups such as sex workers, young people, women living with HIV and women living with disabilities

Activities

Develop strategic partnerships with organisations representing marginalized groups and together develop advocacy materials and strategies relating to sexual rights and link them to network members

Include representatives from these partnerships in our networking and capacity building activities

Consult with strategic partners to identify how best to support their advocacies and link our network members to these efforts. Consult on development of campaigns and include SRHR issues of marginalized communities

Develop strategic alliance with coalition of Women Living with HIV and women's disability networks to develop common position on women's SRHR and HIV, and disability identifying ways to link and strengthen our respective strategies

Increased recognition by network members, partners, the Human Rights community and governments that access to sexual rights is a Human Right.

Gather evidence of denial of access to sexual rights and develop case studies highlighting HR abuses

Share case studies with network members and strategic partners, submit cases to appropriate monitoring bodies

Strengthened advocacy will highlight State obligations to specifically address sexual rights.

Identify and/or develop advocacy materials on sexual rights and share with network members

Support for advocacy activities of strategic partners working with priority marginalized communities

Development of SRHR defenders protection systems for action alerts and enhanced security will be disseminated alongside capacity development in use of these tools

Sexual Rights is focus of campaign theme

Sexual rights will be specifically referenced within the NDA

WGNRR advocates for the inclusion of language in NDA that recognizes the guarantees the sexual rights of all people. WGNRR will ensure its own advocacies reflect these challenges.

Produce practical advocacy and campaigning tools for network members to advocate this position in national/global consultations. Monitor NDA consultation processes and support network members participation and articulation of demands.

Inform network members on NDA development and capacitate them on monitoring & review once developed

4 Sexual and reproductive rights of young people

Objectives

Increased recognition of young peoples¹ sexual and reproductive rights as human rights.
HR cases reporting will include denial of SRHR of young people

¹ The term young people refers to people under 25

Improved availability of youth-focused/youth-centered sexual and reproductive health services

Increased actions undertaken by WGNRR, its members, partners to support youth led campaigning and advocacy on these issues

Enhanced visibility of the sexual and reproductive rights of young people within the NDA

Activities

HR cases reporting will include denial of SRHR of young people

Provide resources and training activities, relating to HR advocacy and HR defense mechanisms will include youth specific examples

Youth perspectives and issues relating to access to Abortion, Contraceptives and Sexual rights are included in all WGNRR and advocacy campaign activities

Integration of the SRHR Bali agenda into advocacy workshops as a framework for articulating SRHR demand

30% of participants in WGNRR activities are young people and young women will be given priority

Directly support youth led, youth implemented actions during campaign activities

WGNRR youth lead will participate within youth SRHR networks and connect with youth led organisations.

WGNRR will be a member of the post Bali young leaders working group and disseminate to its wider membership initiatives to further promote and advance the Bali agenda within the NDA

How we will work to achieve our vision and goals

In order to fulfill our mission we will:

1. Campaign: Provide leadership in articulating and seeking strategic ways to address critical global SRHR issues, with particular focus on key thematic areas. Actively support and promote activities on the 28th of May¹ and 28th September Day of Actions² and other key events such as International Women's day and Human rights day. Support campaigns and actions of our members and allies.

2. Advocacy: Together with our members and allies we will seek to enhance implementation of obligations and commitments in HR treaties and International Conventions such as ICPD, Beijing PfA and MDGS³. We are also working to influence the development of the NDA and to achieve inclusion of SRHR. We do this through policy analysis, information dissemination and direct advocacy with international bodies such as the UN, governments, and policy makers and with community leaders. We work to ensure that policy making is informed by the realities of grassroots communities and that the voices of those who lack political, economic and social power are able to influence the decisions that affect them.

3. Networking and movement building: Identify and connect with grassroots organisations actively working in our thematic areas and build strategic alliances to advance organizational objectives. Enhance partnerships and alliances between WGNRR and SRHRIO/HR organisations, national and regional SRHR/HR networks, in order to better coordinate activities and actions. Increase connectivity between members, allies and partners with the active participation of grassroots organisations. Deepen relationships with other social movements such as environmental and HIV/AIDS to create common understanding of SRHR and its importance in sustainable development.

4. Communications: Provide a range of communication mediums including web site, social media, SMS and face to face activities, for information and resource sharing, advocacy and campaigning, and networking and alliance building, in order to support and inform WGNRR work in the thematic areas.

5. Capacity-Building. Engage in strategic skills sharing and capacity building of our members to enable them to undertake rights based advocacy on SRHR, at all levels; to participate in HR monitoring and case reporting and adopt and adapt HR defense mechanisms

¹ International women's health day
² International Day of Action for Safe legal abortion

³ Ibid 2

Activities, Inputs & Outputs

1. Global Network - Alliance building, networking and Movement building

Whilst WGNRR is a global network our network members are regional, national and local grassroots organisations. Since the living conditions of women differ worldwide and the struggle for SRHR has local dimensions, WGNRR supports local and national organisations by breaking down their isolation and making them feel part of an international community. Members work together locally, regionally and internationally by sharing information, analysing their diverse experiences, supporting each other and strategising to overcome barriers to SRHR.

WGNRR's primary aim is to unite, in a single global network, organisations and individuals who share and actively support WGNRR's vision of SRHR for all people and build a strong vibrant inclusive social movement who advocate and campaign to achieve SRHR for all people. Although WGNRR is the only global women's network for SRHR, we are not the only network active in the SRHR field and therefore we aim to link with the various SRHR networks around the world so we can together inform and strengthen each other's actions and advocacies. WGNRR networking and movement building strategy covers four dimensions - general membership, global alliance building, meetings and events, and communications.

1.1 General Membership:

Benefitting from the best of the networking practices of the past 30 years, WGNRR has developed an innovative and creative networking approach for the present and future management of the network of 1000 organisations around the world. For the Coordination Office this means regular investment of human and financial resources into creation of new methods and tools to ensure that WGNRR membership prospers and keeps abreast with the current social, political and economic developments, and has effective tools for connecting with each other for knowledge sharing, joint working and campaigning.

WGNRR is proactive in its membership activities, regularly evaluating membership and their needs, ensuring we are reaching both potential new members and current members, providing appropriate services to enable them to collectively work towards our common SRHR goals. This starts with the member application process that assesses applicant's alignment with WGNRR vision, mission and values. Rising fundamentalisms and opposition to SRHR has led to increased attack on SRHR activists, and therefore to ensure the safety of network members and enable them to confidently share information, we seek references for all new applicants. Members have access to the online membership database which allows them to search and connect directly with other members globally.

1.2 Global Alliance Building:

WGNRR aims to develop clearly laid out agreements for the ways of working with our regional and national network allies, mapping and connecting a wide range of SRHR networks and international organisations around the world. We are uniquely placed to undertake this role providing a global overview of the SRHR constituency. We seek to explicitly define how WGNRR adds value to their work and how we can best support the needs of our respective network members. We want to avoid duplication, identify gaps and identify ways we can mutually strengthen our work towards stronger and focused advocacy and campaigning. We believe we also need to make linkages with other social movements and inform them of how SRHR impacts on those issues for example the environment, water and sanitation, employment and migration. Our database will be expanded to include regional and international networks and organisations identifying areas of work and geographical interest. We will identify where we can work in partnership specifically detailing our respective strengths. We will establish ways to connect and share resources between the networks and avoid duplication, enabling members from different networks to access peers, resources and information across the globe

We are a member of the advisory group that has established the global campaign for access to safe abortion and lead campaign activities each year. To enhance our understanding of SRHR and how it impacts on disabled women we will seek specific alliances with organisations working with disabled women. We wish to develop information resources

and strategies with our membership in order to enhance their understanding of the issues and how they can include the needs in their local advocacy. We are also exploring a closer working relationship with the International Coalition of Women living with HIV. We believe there are opportunities to link and strengthen our movements via collection actions. Both networks want to see greater emphasis on HIV and SRHR from a feminist perspective and build stronger alliances between ICW and the SRHR community. We want to develop specific resources and tools on the broader SRHR of WLHIV using a human rights framework and increase the ability of advocates to report SRHR violations of WLHIV and increase advocacy skills using HR amongst members of both networks.

1.3 Meetings with members and strategic partners:

We hold meetings with members, strategic partners and other SRHR allies, at national, regional and global events for example the International AIDS conference, Women Deliver, and the International conference on Abortion and consultations and reviews hosted by various UN bodies such as UNFPA. Where funds allow we will sponsor members to attend and participate in such events prioritizing young women and women from grassroots organisations. In the past we held regional meetings where we would sponsor up to 50 participants to meet. This is extremely costly. We now focus on capitalizing on the opportunities presented at other international meetings/conferences and prioritise bringing a small number of youth/grassroots participants. Instead of relying on large regional meetings we prefer to support national meetings of members and allies. We believe this to be more cost

effective and will produce more sustainable results in ongoing advocacy and resulting impacts.

WGNRR is a member of the working groups for a number of important regional and global SRHR events over the next 3 years, the Africa and Asian Regional SRHR conferences and the International Women's Health Movement Conference to take place in the Dominican Republic in 2014. Our aim is to ensure that these events include grassroots SRHR activists and young women and emphasis is given to our priority programme areas.

Whether globally regionally or nationally, the aim of such meetings are three-fold. Firstly to allow exchange of information on work being undertaken in furtherance of our organizational goals, secondly to share strategies and resources on SRHR advocacy and plan and coordinate actions and thirdly is to facilitate relationships and promote solidarity across the SRHR movement to foster a feeling of common purpose. This is vitally important when working on stigmatized issues such as abortion or LGBT rights. We also use such events to offer additional capacity building activities often in partnership with strategic allies for example on HR reporting or abortion advocacy. Outcomes from meetings are shared via all network members.

1.4 Communication and information resources:

Our regular bulletins provide information on campaigns and call to action around the world to defend SRHR activists and advance our goals. We also create and share SRHR resources and provide updates on global mechanisms such as MDG/ICPD reviews and the consultation processes for the NDA.

For many years, the Newsletter has been the main communication tool between WGNRR and her members. It provides information about the latest developments, campaigns and emerging issues in the field of SRHR. It also disseminates capacity building, funding and networking opportunities as well as news and activities of the WGNRR Coordination Office and its members.

The website continues supporting WGNRR information provision and communications by providing resources and information and promoting WGNRR activities to a wider audience in three languages (English, French and Spanish). The web site is an important tool to monitor member activity and requests for information and resources

WGNRR uses both Twitter and Facebook as a way of reaching a younger and wider audience. These mediums are useful in assessing people interested in SRHR who may not yet be active in the field but also as ways to quickly gain support for urgent calls for action. In 2012 we had around 25,000 visitors to the WGNRR web site, 3072 likes on Facebook with a reach of 1,525,218 and 500 followers on Twitter. We aim to increase our social media presence by 20% over the coming 3 years. WGNRR uses video and photos, songs, artwork and stories sent in by members for many of its campaigns and calls for actions. We aim to expand use of member generated content both on the web site and for advocacy and campaigning.

An important new area for the next three years is to develop a robust communications platform using SMS. For grassroots organisations in developing countries Internet is not reliable enough or is too

expensive to use for regular communications. There are many examples of SMS being used within service delivery and for information sharing. We wish to develop an advocacy platform where we can share information on calls for action and reminders of global days of action via SMS. We also want to more fully explore how SMS can be used as a tool for Women Human Rights defenders but to mobilise actions in support of defenders and as a protection tool. Similarly we believe the use the mobile phones can contribute to recording human rights abuses and support our case recording and reporting of

SRHR to human rights monitoring bodies. We will be developing workshops and training sessions to promote the use of this media for advocacy and for HR monitoring. To advance this project we need to form partnerships with mobile service providers and service providers offering bulk SMS services, initially within Africa.



↓ ↓ **Outputs/ Outcomes** ↓ ↓

General membership, Alliance building and Members Meetings	Communications
Database of SRHR networks and international/ regional SRHR organisations (ISRHRO). Online	SMS bulk messaging platform for SRHR advocacy established with monthly alerts being sent out (12) Urgent action alerts/ WHRD alerts (6)
Members Database	
MOUs with leading SRHR networks detailing ways to enhance each other's work and avoid duplication of effort	Web site available in 3 languages - x number of visits per year Forums and blogs have member contributions 24 per year
Bi annual discussion forum on emerging issues such as Reproductive Therapies and surrogacy for networks/ISRHRO	24 E-newsletter
WGNRR is part of working groups for 4 major SRHR conferences and events	POs submit provide content from members for web site and for bi monthly email updates (24)
Bi annual member meetings, in each region, linked to regional events	Facebook/Twitter social media platforms engagement increases by 20% each year
12 member visits per year 20 new members per region per year	Youth created content across all media platforms
3 national member events per annum	
POs submit to regional UN consultative/review mechanisms (3)	
Partnership with ICWHIV and joint position statement on SRHR and WLHIV , knowledge sharing and joint member activities undertaken at key international events	

2. Advocacy

2.1 Promoting Sexual and Reproductive Rights as Human Rights and protecting SRHR defenders

WGNRR will develop a SRHR case recording system which will store case studies from our grassroots members of SRHR violations. We will support our members to submit the cases to national, regional and global monitoring systems .Additionally we will promote SRHR as HR within the Human Rights community and enhance their own understanding of the linkages.

We see out added advantage in having direct contact with grassroots organisations that experience the violations. We can increase reporting of cases and bring them to the attention of the human rights community and via our advocacy strategy to governments and policy makers. In this way we believe there will be greater acceptance of SRHR as HR and ultimately governments will be held accountable via the Human Rights treaty bodies. We will disseminate tools and provide workshops on HRD protection systems. We will adapt where necessary WHRD tools for use with SRHR defenders. We will link SRHR defenders with local HR organisations and create broad alliances to enhance security. Together with WHRD IC we will disseminate action alerts to the WGNRR network members and mobilise support for defenders at risk or under threat. Finally we will provide advice and support on cyber safety and protecting online spaces from attack. WGNRR staff will attend/and or input to annual reports/ commissions on the Status of Women and other HR bodies highlighting SRHR as HR.

2.2. ICPD, MDGS, and New Development Agenda

The work in this area will change over the 3 years of the strategic plan. Initially our involvement is to influence the content of the development goals to include SRHR. We will do this in partnership with a broader SRHR alliance advocating for specific SRHR goals. To achieve this we inform of members of consultative opportunities and provide background resources on how to articulate why we need SRHR in the NDA and the linkages with the broader development agenda. Where possible WGNRR staff and/or board members will directly participate in these consultations and share outcomes via the WGNRR communications platforms.

Once the goals are developed, the focus will swiftly shift to influencing the accountability and monitoring mechanisms and the involvement of civil society in these processes. Similar to ICPD, MDGs and Beijing Platform for Action we will have an important role in promoting our priority issues and will give special attention to access to safe abortion, sharing developments as they happen and interpreting the impact and best way to engage for our network members. We will develop and disseminate tools as the NDA progresses ultimately integrating NDA mechanisms in to the advocacy capacity building workshops.

WGNRR will continue engagement in the final stages of the ICPD and attend the final CPD in 2014. We will also engage in the final review of the MDGS. In both cases we will inform members of the processes and opportunities for national or regional engagement.

Inputs/ Resources Required

Staffing	Other Resources
Advocacy Manager	WHRD IC partners
NDA Programme officer	Information and training materials
Regional Programme Officer (4) Africa, Asia, E. Europe and Latin America and Caribbean	
Local Trainers	

Outputs

Human Rights and WHRD	New Development Agenda (NDA)
WGNRR SRHR/HR case system is populated by member submitted cases (5 per year)	Monthly bulletins to members on developments
Cases are submitted to various HR monitoring bodies by WGNRR and/or HR allies	Resources on the goals and how to use in advocacy
X number Capacity building sessions are provided for members on using HR reporting systems	Resources and workshops on how to engage in the NDA monitoring and accountability mechanisms
X number Capacity building sessions are provided for members on HR protection systems for personal and online safety	Attendance at consultative meetings by regional officers and advocacy manager 3 per year
WGNRR active member of WHRD IC and adapts and disseminates tools for members	Participation in monthly meetings of SRHR alliance (36)
Active participation in action alerts encouraging membership to take action to protect SRHR defenders (6 per year)	Attendance at ICPD 2014

3. Enhancing advocacy and campaigning skills, for increasing access to safe abortion, access to contraceptives and sexual rights.

WGNRR members, most specifically its grassroots members, often lack resources and capacity to fulfill their missions. WGNRR seeks to build capacity of its members by organising training and workshops and facilitating members' participation in major conferences. We prioritise young women in all our activities and provide specific activities aimed at skills building of young SRHR activists

Capacity building is a (continuous) demand-oriented process through which WGNRR members enhance their ability to meet the challenge of increasing the access to SRHR services in their country. The role of the WGNRR coordination office is to facilitate this learning and knowledge exchange between members. This is accomplished by providing resources, training, coaching and networking on SRHR issues

Actual trainings are awarded to individuals, but the need for training must occur within the context of the organisation for which an applicant works in order to increase the effectiveness of the organisation and the sustainability of our effort. These resources can assist the WGNRR members in improving local SRHR services through e.g. advocacy skill building and getting more knowledge on policy documents. At the same time their local successes will be of inspiration for other members and contribute to the global advocacy WGNRR is working on.

WGNRR understands the good policy analysis is required for effective advocacy and campaigning and that for many WGNRR members this is an area in which they require capacity building as well as skills in articulating demands on stigmatized issues such as abortion particularly within very restrictive settings. WGNRR will provide capacity building workshops for members and allies in order to enable advocates to articulate demands for access to contraceptives, access to safe abortion and sexual rights of marginalized groups using human rights frameworks. The particular challenges of youth SRHR will be addressed for all programme areas. We will illustrate the linkages between SRHR and Human Rights. We will capacitate workshop participants to use HR reporting mechanisms to highlight the denial of SRHR to the HR monitoring bodies.

There are 4 specific training courses that WGNRR will offer over the next 3 years for SRHR to enhance advocacy; Policy analysis, Human Rights based Advocacy skills development, Human Rights Defenders protocols and SRHR Communications skills. Two of these elements have already been combined to create a comprehensive tool for skills development for abortion advocacy, successfully delivered in Nepal, Pakistan, Nigeria, and Tanzania. We hope to develop this tool for use in advocacy in other priority areas such as sexual rights in relation to sex workers, young people or women with disability or living with HIV. We have developed a project for enhancing advocates communications skills which we intend to pilot once funding has been secured. The tools can be used in as individual training modules or as a comprehensive training package over a period of several months.

We also are seeking to extend our partnership with doctor advocates via our partnership with Global Doctors for Choice where we bring civil society advocates together with doctor advocates for skills development in order to sponsor the creation and implementation of joint advocacy strategies and actions. . In all our capacity building activities we cascade knowledge to local trainers in order to ensure knowledge is shared as widely as possible. Wherever possible we use local trainers to help with design and delivery of activities thereby ensuring that tools are appropriate for the local context.

Over the next three years we will develop new capacity building tools aimed at equipping SRHR advocates in understanding and monitoring the new development agenda, in relation to SRHR, and develop and disseminate tools and information to enhance their ability to engage their government in the NDA and its impact on SRHR.

Resources Required - Inputs

Staff	Other Resources
Advocacy Manager	Training materials
Regional Programme Officer (4) Africa, Asia, E. Europe and Latin America and Caribbean	Translation
Operations officer to provide logistical support for PO activities	Accommodation and venue
Local Trainers fees	Travel and meals

Outputs/ Outcomes

3 day advocacy skills workshops on priority issues - Abortion, Sexual Rights, Young people and SRHR
2 days communicating stigmatized issues for advocacy and use of new media for advocacy
Tools developed and/or disseminated to enable SRHR organisations to participate in NDA and understand the accountability mechanisms once established. Where appropriate we will hold workshops and training sessions to enhance skills development, with emphasis on developing youth advocates
Joint advocacy skills building courses with Global doctors for Choice between Doctors/medical practitioners and SRHR organisations
Young women's participation is prioritized in all CB activities with target of 30% of attendees under 30 years old

4. Campaigning

WGNRR develops and leads its own campaign themes each year centered around two days of action; May 28th International Women’s Health Day and September 28th International day of action for safe and legal abortion. For each of the two events we identify a theme related to our programme area, undertake a situational and policy analysis, produce briefing papers and campaign materials and disseminate these resources to members and allies to support their local actions in support of the theme. For each C4A, members will be provided with background policy analysis, campaign tools and materials both in hard and soft copy format for adaptation at the local level, including, but not limited to: videos, podcasts, photos, flyers, stickers, postcards, banners, handouts, and model campaign letters; whenever possible in the three main languages of CO operation. Members are encouraged to adapt and localize the overall theme and translate materials into local languages. We also provide small amounts of funding to support actions at local level on the days of action.

Together with members and partners we will, at pre-identified key calendar dates, develop statements, launch initiatives, announcements to members, blog- in coordination, and public outreach (e.g. March 8th Women’s day, Human Rights Day, Africa SRHR day, HIV day, 16 days of action against violence against women and women human rights defenders day. We will also collaborate with member groups and allies to organise parallel forums/discussions/ dialogues during key international events related to SRHR to

draw attention to the perspectives grounded in local realities. E.g. AWID conferences, UN, EU and OAS meetings, World March of Women, International Women’s Health Movement.

Throughout the year we will also support and facilitate linkages between our members’ campaigns, where they are consistent with our programme area goals. We send out action alerts and calls for action via our communications channels and produce templates for letter writing or statements which members can use with national governments and policy makers. WGNRR also creates its own statements in support of members and allies calls for actions or signs on and supports their statements.

Campaigning activities will be coordinated and disseminated via the campaign page, blogs and forums on www.wgnrr.org which is located within the members’ only area to provide a confidential space for strategizing and sharing ideas and experiences. Recognising that some of our members, particularly in Latin America, issue their own Call for Action, our staff will engage in outreach and solidarity activities in order to facilitate sharing of ideas regarding localizing SRHR themes on May 28th. Actions carried out by members will be monitored and impact evidence gathered by a follow-up questionnaire and via the member survey, for evaluation purposes.

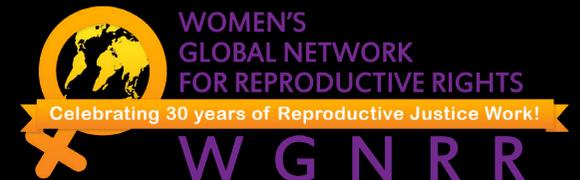
Resources Required - Inputs

Staffing	Other Resources
Campaign Officer (p/t)	Campaign Materials and local production costs
Advocacy Manger	Recourses for regional officers to organize local events and to provide small funds for members actions on 28th May and 28th September
Regional Programme Officer (4) Africa, Asia , E. Europe and Latin America and Caribbean	Translation costs
Communications Officer	

Outputs

50 members undertake local campaign events each year linked to days of action on 28th May and September	Support for 50 action alerts or calls for support from members and allies
WGNRR releases 4 statements per year linking other days of action to our priority themes and HR and NDA, e.g. Human Rights Day or 16 Days of Action	Campaigning information updated weekly on the WGNRR website
Presentations on annual C4A at 4 conferences/ events per year	

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