

Update from the Executive Committee

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Executive Committee Meetings and Outcomes

Since May 2017, the Executive Committee (EC) met six times, including a face-to-face meeting in New York on 17 September, (in total 12 times in 2017)

The EC discussions covered the following areas and rendered the key decisions highlighted in the next slides:

- EWEC Alignment
- PMNCH Events during UNGA, September 2017
- 2018 Partners' Forum
- Recommendations from the SRHR working group
- Launch and response to the IAP 2017 Report
- PMNCH 21st Board Meeting
- PMNCH 2017 and 2018 Workplans
- PMNCH External Evaluation
- PMNCH working group meeting and retreats.

EWEC Alignment



- Established the EWEC Alignment Task Force, including key partners within the EWEC architecture, met 3 times.
- Developed ToRs and appointed a consultant in September.
- Aim was to identify opportunities for greater thematic, operational and/ or institutional alignment between the four core EWEC partners.
- Incorporated discussions on the EOSG's EWEC Transition Proposal.
- Outcomes to be presented during the 21st Board meeting.

EWEC Alignment (Cont'd)

- Mrs Graça Machel wrote to UN Deputy Secretary General Amina Mohammed to share her views on PMNCH's mandate, added value, and potential contribution to a common EWEC secretariat, and had face-to-face meetings with her during UNGA and more recently in South Africa.
- The Secretariat was also requested to start working with the H6, GFF and the EOSG to better align workplans - define clearer roles and responsibilities, and where possible reduce unnecessary duplications (July – December).

PMNCH Events during UNGA, September 2017

- Arrangements and content of PMNCH events at UNGA were reviewed, including invitations extended to partners – focus was on Accountability (incl launch of the IAP report), Adolescents, ECD, Humanitarian, UHC, Human Rights.
- Common ‘hymn sheet’ prepared on the central role of women, children and adolescents in the UHC agenda.
- Full list of events were shared with the Board and EC members ahead of UNGA.



2018 Partners' Forum

- Oversaw development of the 2018 Partners' Forum concept note.
- Decisions on dates, venue and hosting arrangements of the 2018 Partners' Forum.
- Established the 2018 Partners' Forum Organizing Committees.
- The Secretariat was requested to share a written update on the Success Factors - and share the call for submission with partners whose programmes are eligible to apply for the country case study project.

Launch and response to the IAP 2017 Report

- Launch of IAP 2017 Report during UNGA
- Discussions held to identify which of the IAP recommendations can be taken up by PMNCH, particularly with regard to PMNCH's adolescent health portfolio and the PMNCH 2018 workplan.
- Invited Chair of IAP to the EC meeting to discuss PMNCH's role and activities in implementing the IAP recommendations (September 2017).



PMNCH 21st Board Meeting

- Why, what, when, where, who, how

PMNCH 2017 and 2018 Workplans

- Implementation status and resources of the 2017 workplan
- Development of the PMNCH 2018 workplan.
 - retreats on partner-centric approach.
 - Retreats for SO1, SO2, cross-SOs.
 - SRHR Working Group recommendations.



PMNCH External Evaluation

- The EC decided to move PMNCH external evaluation to early 2019 so that it can cover the full Business Plan period (2016-2018), as well as to include the Partners' Forum at the end of 2018.
- However, the external evaluation consultant should be identified and contracted by Q4 of 2018 so that the consultant can start collecting data during the planned Partners' Forum in December 2018.
- The external evaluation should be finalized by the Board meeting during Q2 2019. This will mean that the costs associated with the external evaluation should be budgeted for in 2018 to enable contracting.

Thank you

