



ICPD Programme of Action at 30: Perspectives from the world's regions

UN Regional Commission Side-Event at the 57 Commission on Population and Development

May 1, 2024

13.15-14.30, Conference Room 12

Concept Note and Agenda

I. Background

United Nations Regional Commissions have worked closely with member states and other stakeholders in their respective regions to conduct regional reviews of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD). These reviews, carried out in collaboration with the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), took place as follows:

- Economic Commission for Africa (ECA): African Population Experts Committee and Ministers in Charge of Population Meetings on the 10-year Review of the Addis Ababa Declaration on Population and Development (AADPD), Lusaka, Zambia, 7–10 November 2023.
- Economic Commission for Europe (ECE): Regional Conference on International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD), Geneva, Switzerland, 19-20 October 2023.
- Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC): Fifth meeting Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Population and Development and Special session “10 years of the Montevideo Consensus on Population and Development”, Santiago, Chile, 14-15 November 2023.
- Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP): Seventh Asia and the Pacific Population Conference, Bangkok, Thailand, 15-17 November 2023.
- Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA): Arab Regional Conference on Population and Development: Challenges and Prospects Ten Years after the 2013 Cairo Declaration, Beirut, Lebanon, 13–14 September 2023.

For more information on the regional reviews, see

<https://www.un.org/development/desa/pd/content/regional-reviews-icpd-programme-action>.

a. Objective

The UN Regional Commissions will hold a side-event sponsored by UNFPA at the 57th session of the Commission on Population and Development (CPD) to share the outcomes of the regional reviews and to reflect on progress, gaps, challenges, priorities and opportunities in implementing the ICPD Programme of Action across their respective regions, allowing to reflect on the key elements of an enabling environment for implementation. This will complement the discussion on the regional reviews during the CPD session, and it will focus on follow-up actions undertaken by the Regional Commissions with their respective partners to support member states in accelerating the implementation of the ICPD Programme of Action.



Sponsor:

b. Side-Event Format

The side event will be held in person at the UN Headquarters in New York (Conference room 12).

c. Agenda – New York time

13:15-13:25	Opening Remarks <i>Moderator</i> – Thilmeeza Hussain, Director, Regional Commissions New York Office Diene Keita, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director (Programme), United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
13:25-14:05	Findings on regional implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Saurabh Sinha, Chief, Social Policy Section, Gender, Poverty and Social Policy Division, Economic Commission for Africa (ECA)○ Lisa Warth, Chief, Population Unit, Economic Commission for Europe (ECE)○ Simone Cecchini, Director, CELADE – Population Division, Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)○ Srinivas Tata, Director, Social Development Division, Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific (ESCAP)○ Sara Salman, Population Affairs Officer, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)
14:05-14:25	Questions and answers from the public
14:25 –14:30	Closing Remarks Noemi Espinoza, Chair, Commission on Population and Development