

## INTER-AGENCY STANDING COMMITTEE

### AGENDA

#### Round Table Discussion

#### **External Review on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse and Sexual Harassment**

Geneva, 23 November 2021, from 2 to 5.30 p.m.

Convened by the IASC Champion for PSEAH, UNFPA, at Hotel President Wilson, Geneva

*Registration for Virtual Participation: Participants wishing to join the event virtually are kindly requested to register [here](#). A confirmation email with dial-in details will be sent to registered participants.*

Under its 2021 Championship UNFPA focused on strengthening leadership, coordination and accountability across three priority areas:

- Bolstering country mechanisms, including in-country inter-agency PSEA networks;
- Improving access to quality assistance and information for victims of sexual exploitation and abuse; and
- Strengthening coordination and cohesion among key actors working on protection.

UNFPA carried out several key initiatives to advance these priorities including a) a roster of vetted and trained PSEA Coordinators for deployment to high-risk operations, b) A PSEA training package for GBV caseworkers to meet the specific needs of victims of SEA; c) an advocacy campaign in 35 countries reaching more than a million people; and d) commission of an external review of the IASC's collective progress on PSEAH over the past decade.

This round table will provide an opportunity for IASC leaders and key stakeholders to discuss the progress made to date, identify opportunities for course correction, and commit to a collective way forward to ensure sustainable investment in what has demonstrated impact.

The event will begin with a closed-door session for IASC leaders followed by a plenary discussion including key stakeholders.

#### **14:00 – 16:00 IASC Leader Session: Presentation of the External Review**

In this closed- door segment, IASC leaders will discuss the review findings with an eye on endorsing its recommendations. Specifically, this segment will focus on the overarching review recommendations addressed to IASC Principals including:

- Identifying priority recommendations from the Report and agreement to implement them;
- Endorsement of a forward action plan, including measurable objectives; and
- Commitment to establish and contribute to a joint funding mechanism to sustainably resource collective PSEA activities in high- risk countries.

- 14:00 – 14:05**            **Welcome by Mr. Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator**
- 14:05 – 14:10**            **Opening remarks by Dr. Natalia Kanem, IASC PSEAH Champion and UNFPA Executive Director**
- 14:10 – 14:30**            **Independent Review - Presentation of findings**
- 14:30 – 15:55**            **Roundtable discussion**
- 15:55 – 16:00**            **Concluding remarks by Dr. Kanem**
- 16:00 – 16:30**            **Coffee Break**
- 16:30 – 17:30**            **Plenary Session: 2021 Championship and charting a collective way forward**
- In this session IASC leaders, representatives of member states and civil society are invited to collectively take stock, reflect on remaining gaps and propose priorities for a collective way forward.
- Moderator:* Mr. Gareth Price-Jones, Executive Secretary, Steering Committee for Humanitarian Response
- 16:30 – 16:40**            **Opening remarks by Dr. Natalia Kanem, IASC PSEAH Champion and UNFPA Executive Director**
- 16:40 – 16:45**            **UNFPA Championship video presentation**
- 16:45 – 16:50**            **Independent Review - Presentation of key findings**
- 16:50 – 17:00**            **Interventions by Civil Society organization representatives**
- 17:00 – 17:10**            **Interventions by Member States representatives**
- 17:10 – 17:20**            **Interventions by IASC Principals**
- 17:20 – 17:30**            **Closing remarks by Dr. Kanem and Martin Griffiths, Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator**

***Background document:*** Participants will receive the Executive Summary and recommendations of the IASC External Review of PSEAH.