

EuroNGOs ANNUAL REPORT 2016

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Ton Coenen, Rutgers



Enlightening

The **EuroNGOs annual conferences** are the lead civil society space in Europe to **convene** the broader sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) community. The 2016 Conference 'SRHR in the 2030 Agenda – A Strong Start' brought together over 100 organisations from different continents in Paris. Having entered the implementation phase of the **Sustainable Development Goals**, participants made recommendations on crucial next steps to achieve SRHR as part of the 2030 Agenda. At a time of **increasing opposition**, the conference provided the much-needed space to agree on ways to address the changing geopolitical landscape. As the meeting concluded attendees also applauded the news that following our mass protests, including at the EuroNGOs conference, Poland stepped back from a controversial anti-abortion law. The meeting gave voice to civil society advocates and showcased the importance of this space to create solidarity between organisations and institutions across countries.

// *"The conference was used to officially launch of France first ever strategy on SRHR in its external action, announced by the French Minister of State for Development and Minister of Women's Rights. This commitment, in the presence of SRHR organisations from around the world, was an important victory and a clear recognition of the importance of these rights to achieve sustainable development. We now have this as a tool to hold our government to account on their promises."*

Le Planning Familial, EuroNGOs member and host of the 2016 Conference

EuroNGOs also ensures **permanent virtual spaces** for its members and the wider SRHR community to connect and share. These are unique in...:

- **Reach out**, having over 900 subscribers with diverse backgrounds, including civil society, universities, UN agencies, MPs, donors and independent experts, from different continents.
- **Perspective**, with a strong focus on SRHR in development cooperation, making them stand out from the crowd of other mailing lists;
- **Scope and effectiveness**, facilitating action and solidarity both in Europe and beyond, in different spaces such as the United Nations, Human Rights Council and European policies;
- **Safety**, with subscription requests carefully moderated to ensure confidentiality;

// *"The Worldpopl mailing list is an indispensable space to share intel and information. The list has many users but at the same time a good ratio of posting."*

Worldpopl subscriber (anonymous, evaluation survey March 2016) //

Connecting the Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights community in Europe, Sharing, Energizing and Facilitating joint Action

EuroNGOs is a **vibrant network** that brings together **34** non-governmental organizations across **22** countries in the European region, striving to protect and advance **sexual and reproductive health and rights** worldwide.



Empowering

2016 knew a staggering level of **humanitarian crises**. The number of displaced refugees worldwide also hit a new record. Regardless its cause, research shows that humanitarian emergencies **intensify sexual and reproductive health challenges**. EuroNGOs therefore stimulated our community to explore these emerging areas to promote SRHR, creating opportunities beyond member's usual domestic and development work. Through an intensive **capacity building** workshop for 22 organisations on advocacy for SRHR in humanitarian responses EuroNGOs laid the groundwork for breaking the silos between the development and humanitarian sectors. We provided crucial **information** on the work of our members on the topic and an **analysis** of the 2016 World Humanitarian Summit outcomes, leading to members' own initiatives and advocacy on humanitarian assistance.

// *"The response to SRHR needs in humanitarian settings is a top priority for action at Médecins du Monde. However, this should also be translated in international policies, and increasingly our organisation is engaging in advocacy around this. The EuroNGOs network provides us with the missing strategic space to discuss and find ways to collaboratively advocate for SRHR in humanitarian policy and practice."*

Médecins du Monde, EuroNGOs member. //

EuroNGOs also collects and shares **information and intelligence** to make the work of our community possible:

- **A monthly newsletter**, to enable peer learning and inspire around 900 readers on key SRHR developments at global and European levels.
- **Bi-weekly Agenda 2030 updates**, a unique members-only publication to keep them well-informed around the SDGs, and alerted about the most strategic advocacy actions.
- **In-depth analysis** of key policies, such as the first ever SRHR analysis of the High-level Political Forum and voluntary national reports.
- **Live social media updates**, with over 250 twitter followers in a few months' time. A number of visible social media actions were undertaken, and the hashtag #EuroNGOs2016 was trending during the EuroNGOs Conference.

WHAT WE DO?

"2016 made clear that we cannot take the hard-won gains we have achieved for granted. We are seeing a rise of populism and conservative parties, and a better organised opposition, threatening support for sexual and reproductive health and rights and development. 2016 also saw an increased Euroscepticism. The number of displaced people worldwide hit a new record, and many refugees face sexual and reproductive health and rights related challenges. However, the answers most governments are giving are based on fear rather than human rights.

Against this background, we all agreed at our annual conference in Paris that as a community, we have to mobilise around and beyond our issues to protect what we have fought for in the last 50 years. And we have to nurture solidarity and increase mobilisation for sexual and reproductive health and rights across the continent, as for example happened this year when thousands successfully protested against the Polish abortion ban law proposal.

The Sustainable Development Goals provide an excellent framework to guide us towards a different future. Our community managed to include important sexual and reproductive health and rights commitments, but we have now entered the most difficult phase, their implementation. 2017 will be a crucial year, as our community will be holding governments to account on their commitments in the SDGs. EuroNGOs is looking forward to support its members to highlight that the SDGs will not be achieved if sexual and reproductive health and rights are denied. We will support new strategies and approaches to deal with the changing political environment in order to uphold and increase achievements in work and funding for sexual and reproductive health and rights."

Ton Coenen, EuroNGOs chair

Energizing

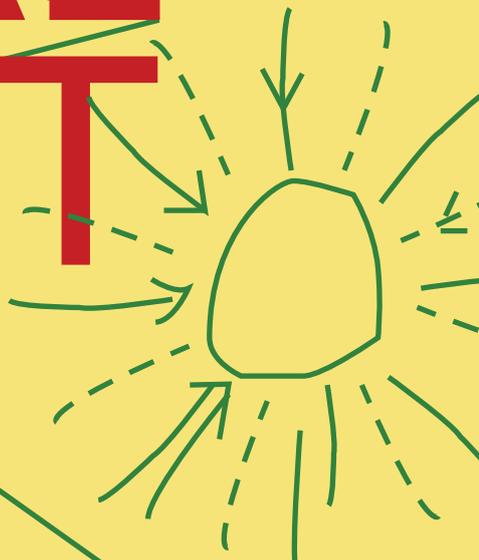
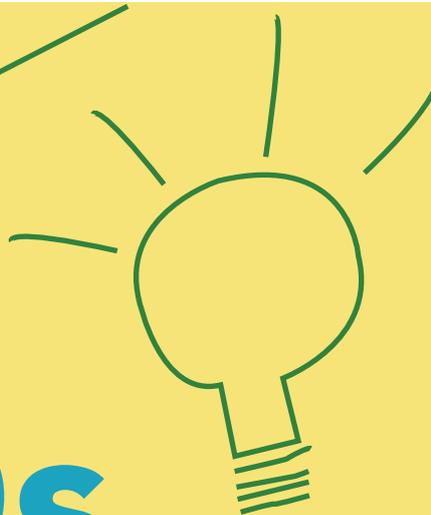
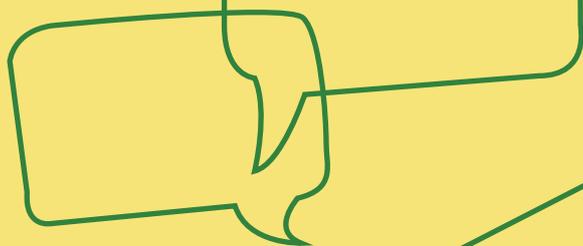
EuroNGOs energizes its members to **take action**. Through our support we ensure our members are an important voice **demanding accountability** and ensuring decision-makers put words into action. We mobilised our members through numerous 'action alerts' so civil society voices are included at the highest levels of policy-making on sustainable development. Through our diverse membership and deep knowledge, EuroNGOs provided SRHR expertise for key development processes, such as the High-Level Political Forum on the Sustainable Development Goals, often jointly with our partners ASTRA Network, Countdown 2030 Europe and IPPF European Network. The EuroNGOs network is also an active member of other **civil society coalitions** influencing development policy making, such as SDG Watch Europe, a civil society alliance to hold Europe to account for committing to the SDGs.

Facing The Future

EuroNGOs is not afraid of moving forward. It is challenging the SRHR community from within to think in the future and adapt to the radically changing landscape in which we operate. In 2016, the network started to actively explore sustainable options to ensure the future of European SRHR advocacy, and to launch a movement to change how we can work better together.



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MEMBERS

Austria

OGF: Österreichische Gesellschaft für Familienplanung

Belgium

Sensoa: Flemish Expertise Centre for Sexual Health

EPF: European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development

Bulgaria

BFPA: Bulgarian Family Planning and Sexual Health Association

Denmark

Sex & Samfund: The Danish Family Planning Association

Finland

Väestöliitto: The Family Federation of Finland

France

Equilibres & Populations
Le Planning Familial
Médecins du Monde

Germany

DSW: Deutsche Stiftung Weltbevölkerung

Hungary

BOCS: BOCS Foundation

Ireland

IFPA: Irish Family Planning Association

Italy

AIDOS: Associazione italiana donne per lo sviluppo

Latvia

Papardes Zieds: Latvia's Association for Family Planning and Sexual Health

Lithuania

FPSHA: Family Planning and Sexual Health Association of Lithuania

The Netherlands

Rutgers WPF
dance4life international

Norway

Sex og Politikk: Norwegian Association for Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

Poland

FEDERA: Polish Federation for Women and Family Planning

Portugal

P&D Factor: Associação para a Cooperação sobre População e Desenvolvimento

Romania

SECS: Societatea de Educatie Contraceptiva si Sexuala

Spain

APS: Alianza por la Solidaridad
FPFE: Federación de Planificación Familiar Estatal

Sweden

RFSU: Riksförbundet för sexuell upplysning

Switzerland

IFPD: International Foundation for Population and Development

SANTE SEXUELLE Suisse – SEXUELLE
GESUNDHEIT Schweiz – SALUTE SESSUALE
Svizzera

Turkey

WWHR: Women For Women's Human Rights – New Ways

United Kingdom

Commat: Commonwealth Medical Trust

MSI: Marie Stopes International

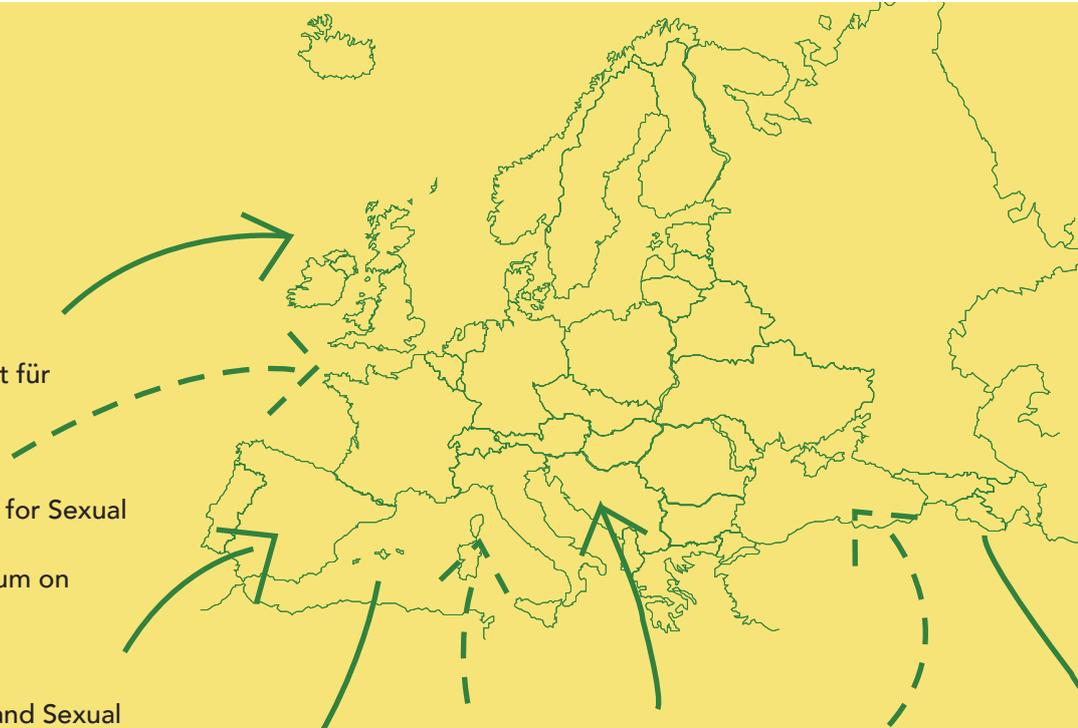
Plan UK

Reproductive Health Matters

You Act: European Youth Network on Sexual and Reproductive Rights

APPGPDRH: All-Party Parliamentary Group on Population, Development and Reproductive Health, UK

Population and Sustainability Network



FINANCIAL REPORT

JANUARY-DECEMBER 2016

Currency: EUR

	BUDGET	ACTUALS	BALANCE
SECRETARIAT	231,321.00	235,400.00	-4,079.00
Human Resources *	217,778	222,401	-4,623
Office	11,043	11,043	0
Training	2,500	1,956	544
FOSTERING SYNERGIES & PROMOTING ALLIANCES:	16,463	15,772	691
2016 Annual General Meeting**	8,360	6,306	2,054
Steering Committee meetings ***	6,103	8,873	-2,770
Outreach & representation	2,000	593	1,407
CONVENE & CONNECT:	102,679	118,798	-16,119
Annual Conference****	85,724	96,676	-10,952
Capacity Building Workshop*****	13,375	17,794	-4,419
IT*****	1,080	3,295	-2,215
Publications	2,500	1,034	1,466
SUPPORTING OUR SECTOR IN TRANSITION/ SUSTAINABILITY:	4,000	0	4,000
Dialogues/consultations	4,000	0	4,000
MISCELLANEOUS	50,144	2,997	47,147
TOTAL	404,607	372,967	31,640

*3 full-time Secretariat staff + 3 part-time IT and finance staff

** Annual General Meeting, 3 October 2016, Paris, 86 participants

*** Copenhagen, 14 January (7 participants); Brussels, 30 May; Paris, 6 September; Amsterdam, 23 November (6 participants);

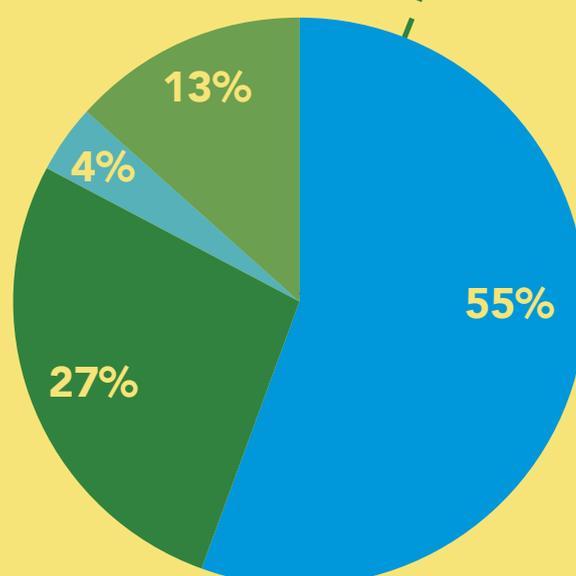
**** Annual Conference, SRHR in the 2030 Agenda - A Strong Start, 4-5 October 2016, Paris, 176 participants

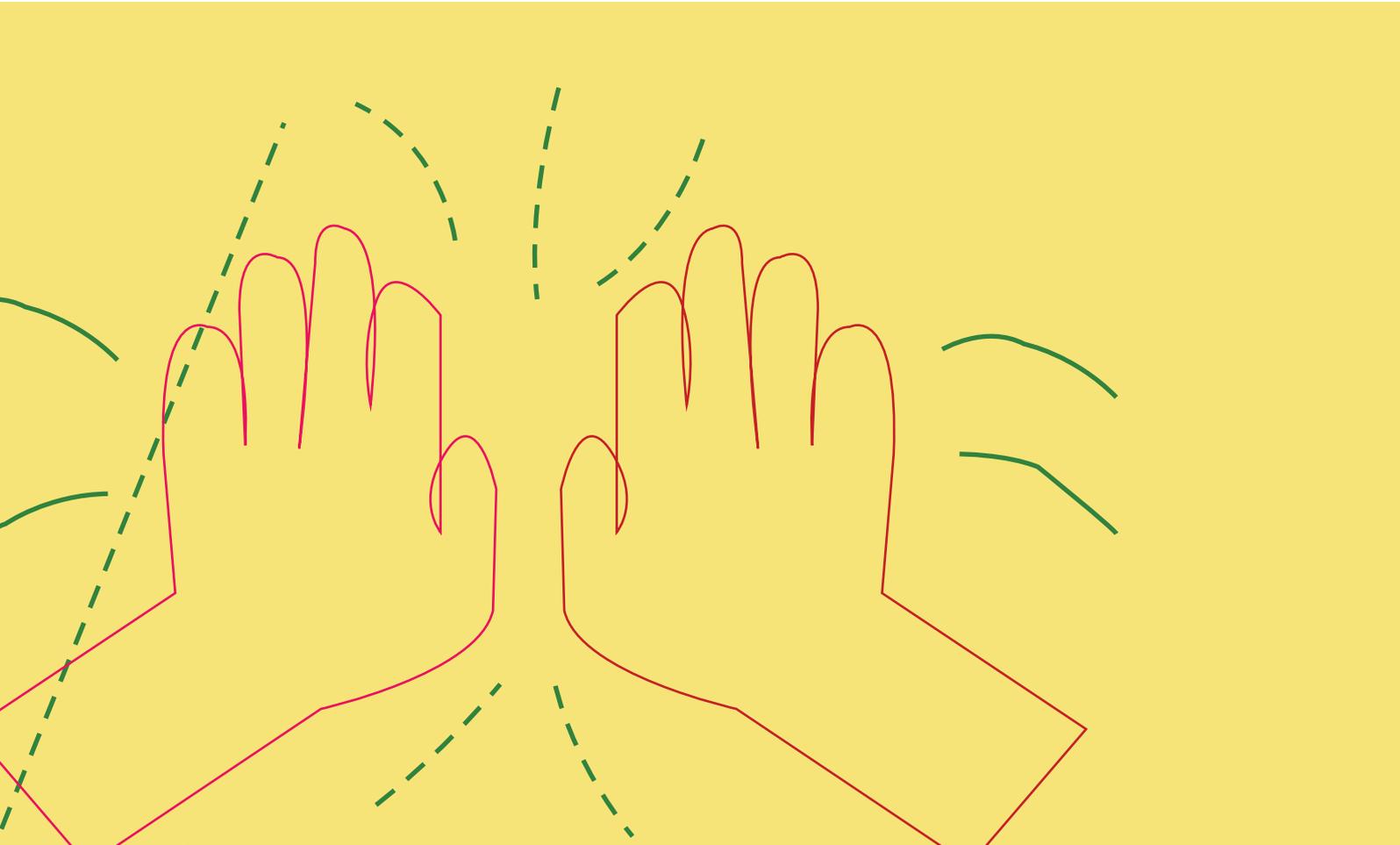
*****Advocating for sexual and reproductive health and rights in humanitarian responses, Brussels, 21-22 June 2016, 22 participants

***** eurongos.org website, Europopl and Worldopol mailing lists

INCOME 2016

● The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation multi-annual grant	224,015
● The David and Lucile Packard Foundation multi-annual grant	109,008
● UNFPA annual grant	17,110
● Own resources (Membership fees & Conference fees)	54,473
TOTAL	404,606





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- Fiona Coyle, who served as EuroNGOs coordinator maternity cover in 2016.
- the International Planned Parenthood Federation Europe an Network (IPPF EN) and its staff, serving as EuroNGOs fiscal agent, hosting our Secretariat and providing support staff for finance and IT;
- the organizations and consortiums co-hosting the conference , Le Planning Familial, and the workshop, Countdown 2030 Europe;

Thank you for your continued support and collaboration!

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