

Special Issue, 19 July 2024

Global Fund Related Sessions at AIDS 2024

This special issue of the newsletter of the <u>EECA Regional Platform</u> aims to provide guidance on some Global Fund related sessions and events to take place within the <u>25th International AIDS Conference</u> (AIDS 2024).

Events with Global Fund Speakers at AIDS 2024

Check out the list of public events featuring Global Fund speakers at AIDS 2024. This list might still be adjusted before the event, but it provides a general overview of the Global Funds engagement. The list is limited to the speakers from the Global Fund Secretariat.



Review Now!

Sessions of the EECA Regional Platform

Global Fund Breaking Down Barriers Initiative in EECA: progress so far and next steps till the end of Gran Cycle 7

TUESDAY, JULY 23 13:00 - 14:00 GLOBAL VILLAGE, AD08

GLOBAL FUND BREAKING DOWN BARRIERS INITIATIVE IN EECA: PROGRESS SO FAR AND NEXT STEPS TILL THE END OF GRANT CYCLE 7

SPEAKERS:

- Alexandrina Iovita, Global Fund Secretariat
- Nataliya Shumskaya, AFEW Kyrgyzstan
- Nadiya Semchuk, Alliance for Public Health, Ukraine
- Valeriia Rachynska, 100% Life, Ukraine











The Global Fund's Breaking Down Barriers (BDB) Initiative incentives funding for comprehensive programs to remove rights-related barriers, intending to support scale up a set of internationally recognized human rights programs. Long term implementation support is also provided, including for enabling environments to advance comprehensive responses.

Since 2017, Kyrgyzstan and Ukraine (the only two countries in EECA) are part of a cohort of 24 countries worldwide that are part of Breaking Down Barriers and are receiving matching funds from the Global Fund to incentivize greater funding in the grants to remove rights-related barriers to health services. The implementation of BDB Initiative was extended in both countries for the Grant Cycle 7 for the period 2023 – 2025. GC8 decisions on catalytic funding are yet to be taken. In 2023 both countries underwent the <u>progress assessment</u> covering the work carried out between the mid-term assessment in 2020 and early 2023.

This session is aimed to:

- Provide a brief overview of the BDB Initiative and its progress so far on the global level
- Share the key results of the recent progress assessment conducted in each county
- Inform about the major successes, key challenges with implementation of BDB activities in countries and lessons learned so far
- Inform about the key ongoing BDB related processes and programs taking place in Kyrgyzstan and Ukraine right now (and\or being planned till the end of GC7).

Communities, Rights and Gender in the Focus of the Global Fund: vision for 2024 – 2026 and how EECA region fits in it



This session is aimed to help civil society and communities' representatives from EECA to better understand what the CRG Department is, its new structure, what is the CRG Team's approach for 2024 – 2026 grant cycle, what is different from the previous cycle, and how communities from EECA could become better engaged and cooperate with the Department.

Sessions Organized by Partners

Global Fund Advocates Network (GFAN) at AIDS 2024



The <u>GFAN Conference Guide is up and</u> ready on <u>GFAN's website</u>. If you prefer to **hear** all about how the GFAN team is showing up at #AIDS2024 please listen to the recording of the <u>GFAN call</u>.

The GFAN will be hosting a pre-conference **GFAN Civil Society meeting on Sunday, 21**

July 2024, from 14:00 - 17:00. If you'll be in Munich and want to join, please RSVP here.

Register Now!

Letting Women Lead to Fight the HIV/TB Pandemics: Empowering Women for Effective Global Fund Programming through a Gender Lens and Building More Equitable and Participatory CCMs

Date & time: 24 July 2024, 9.00-10.00

Location: H4 Hotel München Messe. Konrad-Zuse-Platz 14. - GFAN Meeting Room

Registration: Please register <u>here</u>.



This session will equip participants with the tools and skills necessary for effective gender-transformative engagement in Global Fund processes. Ensuring that gender perspectives are included and that women and girls, in all their diversity, meaningfully contribute to Country Coordinating Mechanisms (CCMs) and national dialogues through supportive guides and CCMs data dashboards.

EECA Region Space at the Global Village

Community and Civil Society led organizations from EECA will be hosting the *EECA Space* which will be working from July 22 to July 25 at the Global Village.

EECA Space will bring together experts, advocates, researchers, and activists from across the Central Eastern Europe and Central Asia (CEECA) region to discuss the latest developments, challenges, and innovations in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

It is designed to highlight the unique perspectives and experiences of our region, fostering collaboration and inspiring action. Join us for a series of engaging sessions, workshops, and presentations that will explore a wide range of topics of regional importance.

Check out the program and join us at the EECA Space!

Review the Program



See you at the AIDS 2024 Conference!











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