

SIDE EVENT

On the occasion of Beijing+20 Regional Review Meeting

Health-Sector Response to Gender-based Violence

Gender-based violence against women and girls is among the most widespread violations of human rights, taking a significant toll on physical, psychological, sexual, and reproductive health. Health workers can play a critical role in addressing the health and psychological needs of survivors and referring them to other essential services as part of a comprehensive response to the problem.

Organisers: UNFPA Eastern Europe and Central Asia Regional Office and WHO Regional Office for Europe

Moderator: Ms. Eef **Wuyts**, International Advocacy Manager, IPPF European Network

Speakers:

2013 WHO Clinical and Policy Guidelines on Responding to Intimate Partner Violence

Ms. Isabelle **Yordi**

Technical Officer, Vulnerable Groups, Gender and Human Rights, WHO

2014 UNFPA & WAVE Resource and Training Package 'Strengthening Health-System Responses to GBV in Eastern Europe and Central Asia', which offers practical guidance for healthcare professionals, health-facility management, and policymakers

Ms. Maria **Rösslhuber**

Executive Manager, WAVE, Austrian Women's Shelter Network, and Women's Helpline Against Violence

Regional and country experience in health-sector response to gender-based violence

Ms. Līga **Šerna**

Health Counsellor, Permanent Mission of Latvia to the UN Office in Geneva

Mr. Miguel Lorente **Acosta**, MD, Ph.D.

Associated Professor of Legal Medicine, University of Granada, Spain

This event will be held in English; a light lunch and soft drink will be provided at the venue.

When: *Friday, 7 November 2014*

Time: *13:15 - 14:45*

Where: *Room XVII*