













Leave No One Behind: Lessons from the Global Commission on HIV and the Law for Agenda 2030

Thursday, 13 July 2017
12.30 – 2.30pm
The Diplomat Ballroom
One UN Millennium Hotel
1 United Nations Plaza
Lunch will be served

Speakers (tbc):

Achim Steiner, Administrator, UNDP
Michel Sidibé, Executive Director, UNAIDS
Barbara Lee, House of Representatives, U.S.A.
Hon. Michael Kirby, former Justice, High Court, Australia
Moderated by Mandeep Dhaliwal, Director, HIV, Health
and Development Group, UNDP

Agenda 2030 pledges to leave no one behind and to strive reaching the furthest left behind first. While the past two decades saw an impressive progress in scaling up global HIV responses, these gains must be sustained and there is still a need to reach those who have been left behind. Very often inadequate laws and policies criminalize and perpetuate stigma, discrimination and violence against people living with HIV and other key populations, fail to consider the realities and rights of adolescents, women, girls and other vulnerable populations, or hamper access to affordable quality medicines.

The Global Commission on HIV and the Law, an independent body of eminent leaders convened by UNDP on behalf of the Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS, released its report in 2012. Since its release, UNDP – in collaboration with governments, civil society, and UN partners - has worked in 88 countries to support the implementation of the Commission's recommendations. Taking stock of these follow up efforts is an important opportunity to assess progress and challenges and identify opportunities, partnerships and next steps to scale-up human rights programming to end AIDS, TB and malaria and combat other diseases, as envisioned by SDG 3, while ensuring that no one is left behind.

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