

Minutes
Interagency Youth Theme Group Meeting
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Present:

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#	Agenda	Discussion	Tasks/recommendations	Resp. parties	Deadline
1.	Introduction of participants	Participants introduced themselves and provided brief information on the programs/activities related to youth of their respective organizations.		All participants	
2.	Presentation on WPD/Orange Selfie campaign	PB made a brief presentation about the World Population Day which is being commemorated annually on July 11 . This year's WPD topic was devoted to the youth and their problem. The motto is "Investing in Youth" . All IYTG members were invited to join the UNFPA's global campaign "Orange Selfie"	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All are welcome to join the UNFPA's global campaign "Orange Selfie" 	All interested agencies	
3.	Presentation on the IYD/Annual Career Fair	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ShB made a presentation on annual event devoted to the International Youth Day named "Volunteerism as a Career Path" or Career Fair. Y-PEER (Youth Peer Education Network) in Tajikistan in cooperation with UNV, AKDN and other agencies plans to hold a big event which will consist of education and cultural parts. All the information could be found on the attached presentation. Suggestions from IYTG to organizers included the following: 	To consider support of the event dedicated to the IYD (August 12) and join the work group to support the event.	All interested agencies	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider the topic of the IYD for 2014 which is Mental Health of Youth; To consider organization of the events in regions and districts, not only in the capital, if possible (funds and human resources available); To involve different groups of population, including those at risk; To involve local Afghan refugees community in Vahdat. <p>It was agreed that all these issues will be discussed by WG and then reported to the IYTG asap.</p>			
4.	Brief update by group members on main activities (also planned ones) related to youth	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PB informed that national evaluation of the YFS centers ended recently. The process was fully managed by UNICEF Tajikistan with involvement of international expert. UNFPA is part of YFS related initiatives and hence IYTG members are briefly updated; Two advocacy meetings are planned with heads of Reproductive Health/YFS Centers in Kurgan-tyube and Khujand in the first week of August. Use of WHO Orientation Programme for Medical Specialists on Adolescent Health is the key issue to be discussed. ZP informed that WHO will consider the possibility of supporting the events; National Forum on Localizing the Post MDGs is scheduled for 17-18 July in Tajikistan. More information about the process is available here: www.worldwewant2015.org/localising2015 KS informed that the idea of reviving the National Volunteer Coordination Unit is being considered by UNV and State Youth Committee; PA informed that UNICEF in cooperation with Turkish MoE is designing a new project on education. More information to be shared with 	<p>To participate online in the Localizing Post MDGs process online discussions;</p> <p>Provide the information about Youth Led Initiatives Forum</p> <p>Disseminate the information about IA in Tajikistan</p> <p>Disseminate the information about the new initiative of UNICEF and Turkish MoE</p>	<p>All</p> <p>KS</p> <p>ShSh</p> <p>PA</p>	Tbc

		<p>IYTG members soon;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LD informed that Eurasia Foundation in partnership with VSO is reconsidering its national project on capacity building of youth and their mentoring, EF's project on Youth Parliament in GBAO is ongoing; • ShSh briefly informed all participants on the work of IA in Tajikistan. She was requested to disseminate the presentation about the IA and its ongoing project through mailing list; • KS informed that the Regional Forum on Youth Led Initiatives will take place in early autumn in Azerbaijan. One self-funded place is available and if IYTG members are interested, the information will be sent to them. 			
5.	Organization of next meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To be agreed through online communication/using Doodle for choosing the optional time 	Doodle poll to be created to select the best date and time for the next meeting	PB/TBC	

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