

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

2024 Think Tank Symposium on Actions that address Social and gender norms and harmful practices that fuel adolescent pregnancies and poor Sexual Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR) outcomes for Adolescents.

INTRODUCTION

SAT Zambia with support from UNFPA, and in collaboration with the Ministry of Health, UN Agencies, CSO Committee on Prevention of Teenage Pregnancy, Committee on Ending Child Marriage and other Partners will in December 2024 host a national Think Tank' Symposium on Actions that address social and gender norms and harmful practices that fuel adolescent pregnancies and poor SRHR outcomes for adolescents. The symposium will consolidate knowledge and share strategic information, good practice and research findings to inform stronger programming on ending teenage pregnancy and child marriage and improving SRH outcomes for adolescents through a mobilized, active and visible community of practice.

To this end, the Technical Committee of the Symposium wishes to extend invitations for abstracts for oral or poster presentations and papers at the symposium.

Submissions can be individual or by organizations on actions or practices that addresses social and gender norms and harmful practices that fuel adolescent pregnancies and poor SRH outcomes for adolescents under the following categories.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS AND PAPERS CATEGORIES

- Category 1:** Prevention – Prevention of Teenage Pregnancy and Prevention of HIV/ STIs.
- Category 2:** Protective and supportive environment: Child Protection-Ending Violence against Children, Ending Child Marriage, Keeping Girls in School and Menstrual Health Management.
- Category 3:** Evidence, Empowerment, Leadership and Actions for positive Gender and Social Norms transformation for ASRHR.
- Category 4:** (a). Innovations, Health care level impact, Community actions/Sites/system demonstrating norm transformation and excellence in service delivery.
(b). Guidelines, Local and National level Policy frameworks for transformation of gender and social norms for ASRHR.
- Category 5:** ASRHR response in the light of Climate change, Humanitarian Settings, Emergencies and Disability.

ORAL PRESENTATIONS TRACKS

Track 1: (i) **Presentation of evidence on specific Structures of gender and Social Norms that should be transformed to significantly reduce Teenage Pregnancy and end Child Marriage.**

(ii) Approaches for Systems for Integration of HIV/SGBV/SRH Case Studies and Innovations for scaling up interventions aimed at significantly reducing Teenage Pregnancy and ending Child Marriage.

Track 2: The Future of interventions to scale for reducing Teenage Pregnancy and ending Child Marriage.

In both oral tracks, we welcome both technical and “case study” submissions. Case studies can showcase new innovations, optimizations and/or the implementation of new approaches in norm transformation. Lessons-learned and best practices presentations are also invited.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- All abstracts must be submitted by email to the technical Committee through: kampolwa@satregional.org copying banda@satregional.org no later than **November 28, 2024**.
- Each abstract should not be more than 300 words long
- Please prepare your abstract on a file as a Word or PDF document and should have the following headings;
 - Title
 - Authorship and affiliation
 - Background/introduction
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusion/recommendations

Only completed abstracts, containing all information requested, conforming with the formats above, will be considered.

