



**The Government of El Salvador,
The World Bank and the Pan American Health Organization**

**Adolescent and Youth Sexual and Reproductive Health in Latin America:
Incorporating the Human Rights Perspective in Public Health Investments
22 - 23 August 2012, El Salvador**

Background: The Government of El Salvador has made adolescents and youth a priority in their health policies, plans, and programs. The World Bank, through the Human Development Department for the Latin America and Caribbean Region, has implemented and been supporting research for the project “Sexual and Reproductive Health among Youth in Central America: Incorporating a Human Rights Perspective”, in 4 countries of the Region. The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) has been collaborating with the Norwegian Embassy in the implementation of the Initiative “HIV Prevention in Young People Using a Human Rights Framework in Central America and the Caribbean 2008-2013”. Building on this momentum, the Government of El Salvador, the World Bank, and the Pan American Health Organization propose to hold an International Seminar and Workshop on “Sexual and Reproductive Health Among Adolescents and Youth in Latin America: Incorporating a Human Rights Perspective into Public Health Investments”.

Objectives: The objectives of the International Seminar and Workshop include the following: (i) To share knowledge about adolescent and youth sexual and reproductive health strategies and initiatives from participating countries; (ii) To disseminate the qualitative and quantitative results of the studies, as well as the legal framework, on sexual and reproductive health among adolescents and youth in Nicaragua, Ecuador, El Salvador, and Argentina; (iii) To strengthen the exchange of information among Ministries of Health and Education to engage them in a multi-sectorial policy dialogue on adolescent and youth sexual and reproductive health and rights, using evidence-based interventions.

Participants: National (MOH personnel, academia, and stakeholders), representatives, and technical personnel from the Central American Ministries of Health and Education.

AGENDA August 22 2012	
10:40 – 11:45	<p>Introduction to the incorporation of the concept of human rights in sexual and reproductive health from the donor’s perspective Moderator: Jimena Garrote. World Bank</p> <p>Design and implementation of public policies with a rights approach Dr. Julieta Rossi, Ministry of Justice, Department de Human rights, Argentina</p> <p>Sexual and reproductive rights of adolescents and youth in Latin America. Javier Vásquez, Pan American Health Organization</p>
11:45 –13:30	Break
13:30 - 15:00	<p>Moderator: Dr. Amparo Gordillo-Tobar, World Bank</p> <p>Presentations of Case Studies in Latin America</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Argentina. “Sexual and reproductive health in youth with a human rights perspective”. Dr. Paola Bergallo. Center for Social

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	<p>Development Studies (CEDES), Argentina</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Nicaragua. “Sexual and reproductive health and human rights in youth in Nicaragua”. Dr. Wilmer Barreta and Dr. Emig Bravo, MINSA Nicaragua. - El Salvador. “Sexual and reproductive health and human rights in youth in El Salvador”. Dr. Karin-Annabella Revuelta Reinfeld, Health Focus. - Latin America: “Fertility decisions among adolescents: Opportunities and economic advances”. Dr. Joao Pedro Wagner de Azevedo, World Bank
15:00 - 15:30	Break
15:30 – 16:00	Discussion

23 August 2012	
9:15 – 10:00	<p>Moderator: Dr. Amparo Gordillo-Tobar, World Bank</p> <p>Presentation: The present situation actual of sexual and reproductive health in Central America (<i>15 minutos per country</i>) (Argentina, El Salvador, Nicaragua)</p>
10:00 – 11:00	<p>Moderator: Dr. Matilde Maddaleno, Pan American Health Organization</p> <p>Presentation: “Prevention of adolescent pregnancy: Scientific evidence and lessons learned”. Dr. Claire Brindis, Director and Professor of Pediatrics and Health Policy, University of California, San Francisco, USA</p> <p>Presentation: “Lessons learned and the rights approach to sex education in Nordic countries”. Dr. Marianne Velandia, Researcher, Department of Women and Children´s Health, Karolinska Institutet</p>
11:00 – 11:15	Break
11:15 – 11:45	Discussion