

Generation Equality Dialogues - Scaling up Generation Equality to advance gender equality at national and regional levels

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Scaling up Generation Equality at regional level



Burkina Faso reaffirms its strong and resolute commitment to the promotion of sexual and reproductive health and rights. This is a synergy of actions at national and regional level.

Discussions were held with other West African countries, leading to the adoption of 8 major regional commitments aimed at expanding public policies in favor of sexual and reproductive health and rights over the next ten years.

A regional roadmap has been drawn up based on the 4 main pillars of our action coalition.

Consequently, an operational plan for the period 2022-2026 has been formulated in each country.

Several key factors will ensure the successful implementation of the commitments: the inclusion of several ministerial departments, technical and financial partners, with the active collaboration of civil society organizations; the establishment of a national multi-stakeholder monitoring committee in each country.

Scaling up results - Successes

Several significant successes have been achieved across various areas:

Training and equipping village midwives and community-based health workers to ensure safe deliveries,

The construction of advanced health posts for internally displaced people,

Training members of parents' associations in social norms conducive to reproductive health.

Revision of the Persons and Family Code,

The creation of community health clubs in several regions;

Training more than 7,000 young girls and focal points in the manufacture and distribution of menstrual hygiene kits;

The integration of comprehensive sexuality education/menstrual hygiene management into training curricula.

Scaling up challenges

In implementing the commitments made at the Generation Equality Forum, several challenges were encountered, including:

- Capitalization on the results of interventions.
- Mobilization of financial resources.
- Adapting intervention strategies in response to security challenges.

What lessons can be learned?

There are several lessons to be learned from this experience of scaling up Generation Equality:

- The **importance of the commitment and support** from the heads of the ministerial departments for the successful implementation of the activities;
- The **existence of a functional national committee** to monitor commitments;
- **Multipartite collaboration** between the various stakeholders (ministries, civil society including customary and religious leaders, private sector, technical and financial partners);
- **Delegation of tasks** with the involvement of community-based health workers.



- **Ladies and gentlemen, I am delighted with the progress made by each of the member countries of this initiative, and I would like to warmly congratulate all those involved.**
- I would like to reiterate my gratitude to all our technical and financial partners, in particular UN Women, who are supporting Burkina Faso in its role as co-leader of the ‘Bodily autonomy - Sexual and reproductive health and rights’ coalition.





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