



“FEMINA” Women’s Forum

Nothing for us without us

7th of March 2023

10:00-10:30 Registration of participants, reception

10:30-10:45 Welcoming speech

Speakers: Zhenya Mayilyan, President of the Real World, Real People (RWRP) NGO

Roza Babayan, head of the Armenian office of the United Nations Joint Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

11:15-11:30 “Gender Aspects of the HIV Epidemic in Eastern Europe and Central Asia Region: Women and HIV”

Speaker: Elena Kiryushina, an expert on policy, equality, and gender issues from United Nations Regional Office on HIV/AIDS for Eastern Europe and Central Asia

11:30 – 12:15 Presentation of the research “Gender Assessment in the Republic of Armenia”

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Facilitator: Roza Babayan, head of the Armenian office of the United Nations Joint Program on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

Participants of the panel discussion: Elena Kiryushina (UNAIDS), Ani Sahakyan (representatives from the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs), Anahit Muradyan (Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports), Astghik Berezovskaya (Ministry of Health), Aram Suruzyan (Ministry of Justice), Nvard Margaryan (researcher)

12:15-12:30 “Annual Report on Cases of Violations And Discrimination Against People Living with HIV in RA”

Speaker: Sargis Ohanyan, RWRP NGO lawyer Tatevik Nalbandyan RWRP NGO social worker

12:30-13:00 Panel Discussion



Facilitator: Vaghinak Ter-Hovhannisyan, executive director of Pink human rights defender NGO

Panel discussion participants: Sargis Ohanyan (RWRP NGO lawyer), Davit Melik-Nubaryan ("Community Involvement, Human Rights, Gender Equality" working group coordinator), Ministry of Health representative, Human Rights Defender's Office (Ombudsperson) representative (TBC) Lilit Khachatryan (Ministry of Health), Heghine Yeganyan (Ombudsman office)

13:00-14:00 Lunch Break

14:00-15:30 "Addressing the vulnerability to violence Faced by Women Living with HIV, Injecting Drug Users, LBT Women, Women with Disabilities, Survivors of Sexual Violence"

Facilitator: Nairuhi Safaryan

Panel discussion participants: Mariam Mkhitarian (researcher), Karine Aghajanyan, Pink NGO project coordinator, Anush Gabrielyan, Sexual Assault Crisis Center NGO, social worker, Gayane Grigoryan, head of the program department of Agat NGO

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-16:40 Collecting photo stories of women living with HIV

Speaker: Nazik Armenakyan, Photojournalist.

16:40-17:30 A living library featuring a woman living with HIV

17:30-18:00 Summing Up the Forum