



TERMS OF REFERENCE

Session title	Local leaders' contribution to the contraceptive revolution	Name of room	Plenary Room 1,2,3
Length of session	55 min.		
Context and Justification	<p>Of the technical and financial partners involved in repositioning FP in Francophone West Africa, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation was among the first to launch an Urban Reproductive Health Initiative (URHI) in four countries (India, Kenya, Nigeria, and Senegal). This project has not only proven to be effective in increasing women's access to FP in urban and peri-urban areas (with Senegal reporting a 19% increase in the contraceptive prevalence rate in some areas, according to a final independent study), but it has also provided evidence of the health districts' and medical regions' capacity to successfully implement a simplified and adapted package (the <i>paquet porteur</i> in French) of FP interventions in urban settings.</p> <p>The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, through the Gates Institute, launched The Challenge Initiative (TCI) to capitalize on and scale up the successes of the various URHIs. TCI covers the nine countries of the Ouagadougou Partnership (OP) and supports their acceleration plans to achieve the new goal of 2.2 million additional women of reproductive age (WRA) using modern contraception by 2020.</p> <p>Since April 2017, the International Association of Francophone Mayors (AIMF) has officially committed, alongside the Gates Foundation, to establishing an operational partnership on behalf of cities in the French-speaking world. One intervention sector is family planning, focusing on providing technical and financial support to the cities or associations of member communities in the development, implementation, and monitoring of sectoral policies in this area. The City of Paris, which chairs the AIMF, has also contributed its expertise. Abidjan in Cote d'Ivoire and Bobo-Dioulasso in Burkina Faso are the first two cities to pilot this initiative. Launch of the projects is underway, along with major efforts to mobilize financial resources.</p> <p>Because of their shared objectives and common intervention locale, TCI and the AIMF Initiative work together to ensure that cities contribute the amounts they have committed to government efforts in family planning. This Panel will include time to reflect on aspects concerning the issues, impacts, benefits, and barriers related to municipal contributions to financing and to the operational implementation of national costed implementation plans for FP.</p>		
Expected outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Reflection on the impact of promoting FP and improving the urban environment• Reflection on economic and operational added value through municipal investment in FP		



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Equipment and supply needs	
Other needs to consider	Simultaneous interpretation

PROPOSED FORMAT

Time	Leader	Activities/Presentations	Description
5 min.	Modibo Maiga	Welcome	Introductions, description of the format, and instructions for the session
5 min.	Daouda Sidibe, 1 st Deputy Mayor, Kolda		Covering FP needs and improving the urban environment What key strategies have municipalities developed to promote FP?
5 min.	Luc Sètondji Atrokpo, Mayor of the Bohicon Commune, President of the Union of Municipalities of Zou (UCOZ), President of the National Association of Municipalities of Benin (ANCB)		Barriers (e.g., socio-cultural, administrative, etc.) to mobilizing municipal funds geared toward FP The city's TCI project's contribution to closing gaps for reaching additional FP users
5 min.	Moussa Belem, 1 st Deputy Mayor, Ouagadougou		Health, an area of expertise transferred to municipalities: Added value through investment in FP Local contributions and strategies to mobilize additional resources
5 min.	Mr. Bourahima Sanou, Mayor of Bobo- Dioulasso		Designing a project at the local level: The Mayor's and municipal teams' role in project management and implementation



			Which data monitoring systems should be consolidated at the local level? Synergy of actors
5 min.	Mr. Lamine Koita, Director of Legal Affairs and International Relations, Autonomous District of Abidjan, representative of the Governor		What is the District's role in managing a local family planning policy? What are the financial and operational commitments? Targeting youth and adolescents: Reasons to prioritize them in the pilot project and ensuing issues
20 min.	Modibo Maiga	Q & A with audience	
5 min.	Modibo Maiga	Summary and Conclusions	