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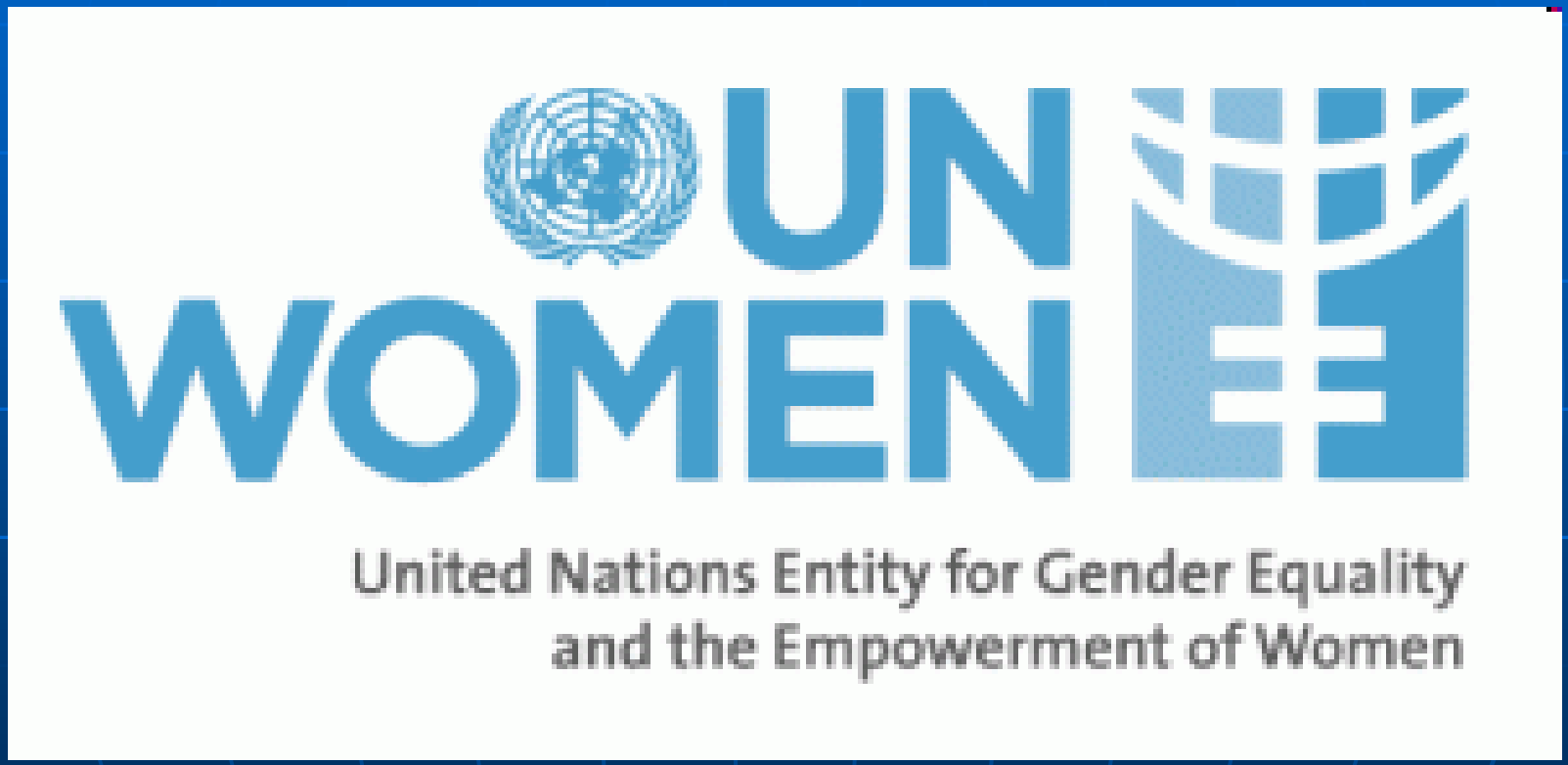
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U.N. WOMEN


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United Nations Entity for Gender Equality
and the Empowerment of Women

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- UN Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)
- Division for the Advancement of Women (DAW)
- Office of the Special Adviser on Gender Issues
- UN International Research and Training

  Institute for the Advancement of Women (UN-INSTRAW)



U.N. SECRETARY-GENERAL
Ban Ki-moon

"With the birth of UN Women, we welcome a powerful new agent for progress on gender equality and women's empowerment"

"The challenges are great, but I believe that with the new energy, the new momentum and the new authority that UN Women brings, these challenges will be met. True gender equality should be our shared legacy in the 21st century."



Michelle Bachelet
Executive Director – U.N. WOMEN

"*Gender equality must become a lived reality. Think of how much more we can do once women are fully empowered as active agents of change and progress within their societies. Historically, we are at a point of great potential and change for women. Now we must seize that opportunity*"

"*My own experience has taught me that there is no limit to what women can do*"



GENDER MAINSTREAMING

"Gender mainstreaming is the process of assessing the implications for women and men of any planned action, including legislation, policies and programmes, in all areas and at all levels, and as a strategy for making women's as well as men's concerns and experiences an integral dimension of the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of policies and programmes in all political, economic and social spheres so that women and men benefit equally and inequality is not perpetuated. The ultimate goal is to achieve gender equality." (ECOSOC 1997/2)



GENDER MAINSTREAMING

- **Fourth World Conference on Women**, Beijing Platform of Action - Beijing, 1995.
- **United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)** Conclusions 1997/2 adopted on 18 July 1997.
- **General Assembly**, 23rd **Special Session**, June 2000.
- **ECOSOC Council Revision** of the implementation of agreed conclusions 1997/2, 2004.
- **Council Resolution 2006/36**, ECOSOC Substantive Session, 2006.



GENDER MAINSTREAMING and HEALTH

- HEALTH: "*the dynamic state of complete physical, mental, spiritual, and social well-being and not merely the absence of disease or infirmity*." - World Health Organization, 1998
- Health is a basic human right. Every woman should be provided with the opportunity to achieve, sustain and maintain health which involves women's emotional, social cultural, spiritual and physical well being.
- A gender sensitive approach is needed to perceive existing gender differences and to incorporate a gender perspective into health care policy development and delivery.



DAD.NET Project Added Value

- The creation of a national network of women professionals who will be trained to offer to their female and male peers a gender sensitive approach, with the purpose of re-orienting working practices of private and public services towards prevention, treatment and rehabilitation strategies tailored to the needs of women.

- The project's ultimate goal is to assist clinicians and professionals who are engaged in the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation areas to mainstream gender issues within their practice, in order to reach gender equity and equality.



U.N. Millennium Development Goals



1. Eradicate extreme poverty and hunger
2. Achieve universal primary education
3. Promote gender equality and empower women
4. Reduce child mortality
5. Improve maternal health
6. Combat HIV/AIDS, malaria and other diseases
7. Ensure environmental sustainability
8. Global partnership for development

DAD.NET and the MDGs

3rd Goal: Empowerment of Women

DAD.NET GOALS:

- Helping girls to become aware of their potentialities and to learn how to love and respect their body and their inner self.
- Prevention of drug use among teen girls
- Prevention of sexual exploitation
- Prevention of eating disorders
- Support to parental functions to include education on gender issues in prevention of substance abuse and eating disorders.

DAD.NET ACTIONS:

- Guidelines on prevention of substance abuse in teens
- Help-lines in schools and youth gathering places
- Prevention interventions and meetings within public and private drug dependence services between professionals and adolescent girls. During the meetings, women doctors will provide information and advice to girls; women role-models and testimonials of success will be called to provide positive examples of alternative successful drug-free lifestyles.
- Training of professionals on early detection of eating disorders and substance abuse in teens



DAD.NET and the MDGs

4th and 5th Goal: Protection of Child and Maternal Health

DAD.NET GOALS:

- Helping women who use drugs or are affected by infectious diseases to deliver healthy newborns;
- Helping women who use drugs and/or are affected by infectious diseases to care for their children;
- Elimination of preventable maternal mortality and morbidity;

DAD.NET ACTIONS:

- Design and planning of gender-oriented model services for the protection and support of pregnancy of women who use drugs and/or are affected by infectious diseases and the health of their newborns; Promotion of interventions for the safe assisted procreation in couples with different HIV serological status.
- Design and planning of gender-oriented model services for women who use drugs and/or are affected by infectious diseases, offering specific professional information and training on child delivery and care, as well as support to parental functions;



INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATIONS

Groupe Pompidou
Pompidou Group

MedNET - Mediterranean Network for Co-operation on Drugs and Addictions

European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction

UNODC
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

World Health Organization

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COMMISSION on NARCOTIC DRUGS

Building on the results of the on-going 55° UN Commission on the Status of Women, the ultimate international goal of the project shall be that of presenting the results to the next relevant UN Commission on Narcotic Drugs, in 2012 and with Italy's support, to seek the issuance of a specific Resolution on gender differences and drug abuse to be eventually approved by other Member States.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION



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