

Count us in the Picture: Voices of Children and Youth in Asia Pacific on CRVS

A side-event of the Second Ministerial Conference on CRVS in Asia and the Pacific

November 12, 2021 | 14:30-16:00 GMT+7

Session Plan

Key Messages

1. Globally, births of 166 million children under the age of 5 have never been recorded, 39% (65 million) of this are from Asia and the Pacific. Civil registration affects the lives of children and youth, and impacts their access to basic services such as healthcare, education and livelihood.
2. As part of the vulnerable sector of society, children and youth voices and views should be listened to and considered in the political and policymaking process related to Civil Registration and Vital Statistics.
3. Children and Youth need to be engaged in the decision making process on the issues of CRVS and be given equal opportunity to speak up about its importance, the challenges they experience and their recommendations to improve services related to birth, marriage and death registration.
4. While recognizing the committed efforts of the Asian and the Pacific governments and partners to get everyone in the picture, decision makers should also look into how children and youth contribute in addressing the challenges in achieving a universal and responsive CRVS.

Forum Objectives:

1. Launch the Report on Children and Youth Consultation on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics and highlight its key messages for the Second Ministerial Conference on CRVS.
2. Empower children and youth to share their experiences and recommendations on CRVS to influence regional decisions to prioritize child rights.
3. Expand space for meaningful participation of children and youth in harnessing political commitments to address the challenges in achieving universal and responsive CRVS.

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Time (Bangkok Time)	Topic	Resource Person	Key Message
1:30 - 2:30 pm	Practice Session	Final Tech Run and Reminders	Sound and Camera Check
	10 min countdown	6 minutes video 3:13 – 9:16 What is CRVS –	
2:30 – 2:35 PM (5 mins)	Introduction and Preliminaries	Moderators: Caroline Veronilla Advocacy and Campaigns Specialist World Vision Philippines Child Moderator Abdul-Rahim, 14, Philippines	Caroline to introduce the session welcome all participants (mention the event title) and provide the objectives of the Session: <i>Launch the Report on Children and Youth Consultation on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics and Empower children and youth to share their experiences and recommendations on CRVS to influence regional decisions to prioritize child rights.</i> Caroline to introduce and inter act with child moderator – Abdul-Rahim. Abdul to share briefly his experience as part of the children and youth consultations, regional forum and crafting the children and youth statement for MCCRVS. Abdul to introduce the next speaker.
2:35 – 2:40 PM (5 mins)	Welcome and Overview	Ms. Kathrine Rose Yee Director, Advocacy and External Engagement World Vision International, Asia Pacific	Share why it means to count children and youth in the picture and why it is important to listen to their perspectives on their experiences, challenges and recommendations on CRVS.

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2:40 – 2:45 PM (5 mins)	Child Friendly Consultations on CRVS: A Participatory Approach	Ms. Hazel Bitaña Program Manager CRC Asia	Emphasize the importance of conducting a child friendly consultations with children and youth and highlight how this consultation has employed a participatory approach.
2:45 – 2:48 PM (3 min)	Video	Children and Youth Consultations	Shows what transpired during the in-country consultations and regional children and youth Forum.
2:48 – 2:55 (7 min)	Key Findings of the Children’s Consultation on CRVS Report	Ms. Amihan Abueva Executive Director CRC Asia	Share key findings of the Children and Youth Consultations on CRVS. Launch the report at the website.
2:55 – 3:10 PM (15 mins)	Keynote Speech: The Role of Children and Youth in the Second Ministerial Conference on CRVS	Mr. Lucio Valerio Sarandrea Child Protection Specialist UNICEF East Asia and The Pacific	Share on the role of children and youth in the Second Ministerial Conference on CRVS, highlighting the importance of meaningful participation of young people on the CRVS systems and processes and UNICEF's commitment to push for the children's recommendations on CRVS to the governments and regional bodies. Also share results/key highlights of Unicef’s 2019 research <i>Birth Registration for Every Child by 2031: Are we on track?</i>
3:10-3:20 (10 min)	Q&A	All Speakers	
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3:20 – 3:23 PM (3 mins)	Highlights of Children and Youth Regional Forum on CRVS		Abdul to Introduce the highlight video

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3:23 – 3:43 PM (20 mins)	Young Voices and Perspectives on CRVS	Amalea , Youth from Samoa Juhi , Youth from India Dhanushka , Youth from Sri Lanka	Talk Show Format – Child Moderator will ask questions to young speakers.
3:43 – 3:48 PM (5 mins)	Call to Action	Annisa , Youth from Indonesia	Based on the results of the consultation, what are your call to action to governments, UN Agencies, CSOs and fellow children and youth?
3:48 -3:50 PM (2 Min)	Get everyone in the picture video	Get everyone in the picture video	
3:50 – 3: 55 PM (5 min)	Commitment Message and closing remarks	Ms. Rachel Beaven Director of UN ESCAP Statistics Division	
3:55 – 4:00	Closing		