



## Detailed session description -Side Event

### 11th African Regional Forum on Sustainable Development (ARFSD)

Venue and Date: Kampala, Uganda at the Speke Resort Convention Centre, Munyonyo, from 7th to 9 April 2025.

**Side Event Title: Navigating the impact of climate change on SRHR and GBV: Building resilience for adolescents and young people in Africa.**

#### 1. Introduction

The side event will highlight issues, challenges, lessons learnt and progress made under SDG 5 on gender equality and SDG 3-on health and wellbeing. The session will contribute to the theme “ driving job creation and economic growth for young women and survivors of Gender based violence through an inclusive approach that also promotes access to justice, SRHR, and economic empowerment. By sharing examples of lived experiences of adolescent girls and young women, this session will provide case studies and evidence based recommendations and solutions to accelerate achievement of the 2030 Agenda and Agenda 2063. Will generate key messages to input into the Africa political declaration towards the HLPF.

#### 2. The Hosts of the side event

- **Paradigm for Social Justice and Development (PSD)** is a women's rights organization that advocates for the rights of girls and women in Uganda, advancing social justice and development of the youth and women to be able to shape their destiny.
- **Hivos** works for a world where people can realise their full potential unleashing their ingenuity and creativity to build fair, just and life-sustaining societies for themselves and generations to come.

#### Partners:

- **The Silver Godlive Foundation (SG)**, is established to build Resilience, Passion for development & contribution to society in Uganda whose Vision is “A people free from extreme poverty, achieving their full potential, social transformation & living lives of dignity”.
- **Vintage Dreams Africa-Development Initiative: (VDA-DI)**, is an organization operating in Kenya, dedicated to transforming lives and communities by fostering impactful social enterprises and sustainable development initiatives. Through strategic partnerships with individuals, communities, and organizations across Africa and beyond we drive meaningful change

#### 3. Contribution to ARFSD theme

##### Objectives/ topics of the event

The session will review progress, challenges and opportunities in the implementation of SDG 3, SDG 5 and the linkages to SDG 13. To promote peer to peer learning, best practices, challenges and recommendations on how Enabling Meaningful Participation and Collective Action of Teenage Girls and Young Women in SRHR Decision-Making Processes is an imperative for achievement of sustainable development goals (SDG 3, SDG 5 and impacts of SDG13).



#### 4. List of speakers/Panelist and Moderator

The session Moderator is: Hellen Malinga Apila

The Speakers/Panelists

- **Hivos:** Mr. Kelvin kaputula, program manager
- **PSD:** Zurah Asanda, Program manager
- **VDA-DI:** MS Joy Katusabe Mwangi, Executive Director
- **SGF:** Dr, Apio Alice, Medical Practitioner

#### 5. Target Audience

Government officials, Civil Society organizations, Academia, Young people, Media, Development partners

#### 6. Expected Outcomes

This will facilitate cross country peer to peer learning among Civil Society organizations and the development partners. A report of the session will capture the key messages, best practices, challenges, and recommendations to provide input into the political declaration .