OBJECTIVES

• To provide a platform for the Global HIV Prevention Coalition (GPC) focus countries to:
• Review country progress of implementation of Global HIV Prevention 2020 Road Map based on 3rd GPC progress report;
• Catalyse actions contributing to implementation of commitments to HIV prevention which are closely linked to ICPD commitments, including re-energised efforts to strengthen integration of HIV prevention and SRHR for adolescents and young people with a focus on adolescent girls most left behind and their male partners.
• Appreciate progress made in primary HIV prevention in the GPC countries and harness the political momentum for sustained actions towards the 2020 and post-2020 prevention targets.
Colleagues, I greet you in the name of Primary HIV Prevention!

As Co-Chair of the GPC, I have seen with interest how we have, since the launch, made some real progress in bringing down new HIV infections. We have even shared best practices which have been adopted by other countries depending on the political environment

BUT it is not enough, we need to do more and we can do more:

We have to keep focusing on Acceleration in countries for Key Locations and Key/Priority populations in 2020

We need to engage communities in their diversity, because they are the ones who offer the solutions:

- Adolescent girls and young women, the Nyashas, the Winnies - We hear you! And Winnie, rather than sitting on the floor when you are not invited at the table, get other young women and Build Your Own Table! (Example: SWAA 1988...) Indeed, sit at the table you must because if you are not at the table, then you are on the menu.
- Sex workers, gay men, transgender people, people who inject drugs, migrants, people with disabilities, people living with HIV, in fact, all of you, young people in your diversity - We hear you!
- Ministers, NAC Directors, UNFPA, UNAIDS, and UN family, representatives here present, bilaterals, the Global Fund, CIFF, AVAC, BMGF and development partners and the Global HIV Prevention Coalition, together, with all of you, we need to ACT!
- Let us keep our eyes on the target of reducing new HIV infections and accelerating the pace so that by 2020 we are confident that we can achieve those 2030 targets.
- Now, for that to happen we need to ensure that we invest in peer outreach workers and community health workers who are well supported and mentored to reach communities with information and services for prevention, testing, treatment and support that links them to services. And we have heard that this needs to include virtual outreach!

- Our countries, and the funders in the room - Let us uphold our commitments to the HIV Prevention 2020 Roadmap and make prevention financing, efficient resource allocation and efficient resource utilization an explicit criteria for success.

Colleagues, allow me to conclude by stating how inspired and re-energised I am to keep working to ensure that we keep alive this political momentum for sustained actions towards the 2020 and the post-2020 prevention targets.

I pledge to do political mentorship, because from the roundtable discussions, I heard everything except “participation in political decision-making, in the very legislative structures where gendered decisions should be made”. This to me is most important… (Example: Look at Adam and Eve…).

With a brand-new boss, Winnie Byanyima, my new slogan is: “Connect the social, the economic, and the programs… and you will find solutions thereof”.

I thank you