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Topic A: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights

While the international community is in a non-stop battle to assure human rights across the globe, Sexual and Reproductive Rights have represented the long forgotten issue. The insufficient access of the world's population to health impedes us to win our fight against poverty, hunger etc.

Argentina believes that laws by themselves will not take us to succeed; it is rather the peoples' knowledge of their rights what means a step further for their health. It is vital therefore to provide not only our citizens but also practitioners with the information and training needed and only then assure its enforcement.

Regarding this aspect, Argentina sees this issue in a broader perspective. Whereas regulation is obviously needed in favour of promoting, supplying and assuring access to health, public and easily accessible information, accountability for those who deny to follow the laws, and most important the recollection of data and continuous assessment of the health services provided is crucial to its improvement.

Argentina is convinced that more effort on to this issue is needed especially when times and circumstances change so fast. We find ourselves in the necessity not only of ensuring access to healthcare, but ensuring a basic aspect, which is Sexual and Reproductive rights, where we must not forget the core target groups that need us the most.

Topic B: The regulation of antibiotics development and production to prevent the breeding of resistant bacteria.

When the medicines we use to combat diseases that we suffer become ineffective the world returns to a state of defencelessness and high risk. The world's overconsumption of antimicrobials is leading us to that path.

Argentina believes that different degrees of consumption (both human and animal) can be found through different countries, therefore, it would be nonsense to adopt international legislation. On the other hand, differences shall be made between animal and human consumption. Human overconsumption is normally due to a lack of the states' regulation and the inexistence of the need of medical prescription to use antimicrobials. While animal consumption is already evaluated and rated by several international agencies that grant the good state of what we eat.

Argentina is certain that a stricter control of prescribed antibiotics in the countries where needed is not more than half of the solution, as we should not forget to consider that people in less developed countries cannot buy such medicines. Otherwise, animal consumption is already regulated at a national level and rated by organizations as the World Organisation for Animal Health, hence there is no place for international regulation. Last but not least, it is essential to bring up-to-date information and encourage international gathering where all actors at stake have a say.