

## CONCEPT NOTE

**Subject:** Side Event during the 55<sup>th</sup> Session of UNCPD 2022 organized by the Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the UN in collaboration with the African Union Observer Mission and the United Nations Population Fund

**Theme:** The Revised Population Policy: Pivotal for Achieving Population Management

**Date:** 26<sup>th</sup> April 2022, 13:15 – 14:45 pm (NY time)

**Venue:** Nigeria House, 828 2<sup>nd</sup> Avenue, Manhattan, New York, USA

### Background

The United Nations Commission on Population and Development (UNCPD) sessions provide platforms for sharing experience of real-life situations, showcasing of achievements, demonstration of commitments on population management, exchange of best practices/lessons learned. The News highlight priorities and options for addressing current and prospective population related development challenges.

2. In line with the 2022 UNCPD 6 S H F L D O 6 H V V L R Q 3 R S W K O D P M L R Q and Development: In Particular Sustained and Inclusive Economic Growth, and in recognition of prevailing realities of the consequences of rapid population growth in the context of quality, structure, distribution, and movement, Nigeria wishes to share its experiences in managing population and development challenges.

3. 1 L J H U L D . V S R i s e s o n a t e L R Q 16 million (NPC, 2022), which makes it the 6<sup>th</sup> most populous country in the world. Current demographics portend even more growth. Young people (age below 30 years) constitute over 70 percent of the entire population, providing an age-structure that is youthful, with about 54 percent making up the productive/working age (15 – 60 years) population. In addition, ou



- iv. To emphasize the importance of generating accurate, timely disaggregated and geo -referenced data to support decision making, programming of targeted interventions and tracking of progress.

#### Guiding questions

1. What are the population management priorities that require attention in view of the COVID -19 pandemic and potential socio - economic implications?
2. How can effective partnership s among Member States, the private sector, Civil Society G roups, Non -governmental Organizations, development partners, the media and individuals enhance implementation of policies that address population and development concerns ?
3. How can we sensitize countries on the importance of using the Population Policy as a platform to monitor and t rack progress at achieving global and regional commitments to improve the health of women and girls including creating opportunities for young people to reach their potentials ?

#### Expected Participants

- Deputy Secretary General of the United Nations , H.E Amina Mohammed ;
- Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations, H.E Tijjani Muhammad -Bande ;
- African Union Representative at the UN , H.E Fatima Kyari Mohammed ;
- Deputy Executive Director of the UNFPA , Dr. Diene Keita ;
- President/CEO Population Reference Bureau, Washington D.C , Mr. Jeff Jordan ;
- Discussions/Dialogue by Member States of the UN ;
- Civil society organizations;
- Donors/Partners;
- The media ; and
- Nigerian Community in the U.S