



ASSESSING THE STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION  
OF THE ICPD PROGRAMME OF ACTION AND  
CONTRIBUTION TO THE FOLLOW-UP AND  
REVIEW OF THE 2030 AGENDA

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H.E. Ms. Noemí Espinoza Madrid is Ambassador at large, Chair of the Commission on Population and Development. She has over 25 years of experience working on political advice, advocacy, partnerships, and strategic guidance for top level government and intergovernmental organizations, mostly at the United Nations. She has been leader in intergovernmental negotiations both as an Ambassador and a UN advisor. She is known for establishing and galvanizing partnerships with civil society and governments to advocate for human rights and for political, economic, and cultural justice. She is a sought out lecturer for academic conferences and universities. She began her diplomatic career in the Honduran Consulate in New York City in 1996. She has served in various capacities at the Permanent Mission of Honduras and has a long career in the United Nations Secretariat, where she has been a Senior Advisor to the United Nations President of the General Assembly and Special Advisor to the Secretary General's Envoy on Youth. Ambassador Espinoza Madrid holds two M.A.s. one in Economics

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Barbara Seligman is senior vice president responsible for leading International Programs at the Population Reference Bureau, PRB. She has held executive and senior advisory roles with the U.S. government and nonprofit and for-profit global health and development firms, foundations, and think tanks. Barbara has advised more than 20 governments in low and middle-income countries on health, reproductive health, and family planning policy. Following the Rose Revolution, she led a major health policy reform program, including developing an inaugural reproductive health policy in Tbilisi, Georgia. In the early 1990s, she assisted the Malagasy ICPD delegation in