

Draft CPD53 national statement

Bulgaria

Mr. Chair,

I would like to begin by expressing Bulgaria's gratitude to the Chair for his leadership and tireless efforts on a draft declaration on population, nutrition, food security, sustainable development and COVID-19. I would also like to thank the other Bureau members and the secretariat for their support and guidance.

Bulgaria aligns itself with the

The pandemic is reinforcing the economic case for investing in strong and inclusive health systems, promoting universal health coverage and building resilience in the face of public health emergencies such as COVID-19. Ensuring universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights is integral to achieving Universal health coverage and progress toward 2030 Agenda. Access to sexual and reproductive health care services and the integration of reproductive health into national strategies and programmes are critical to achieving the ICPD agenda.

On May 6th, 2020, mindful on the exacerbating impact of COVID-19 on women and girls, my government along with 58 other governments clearly stated in a