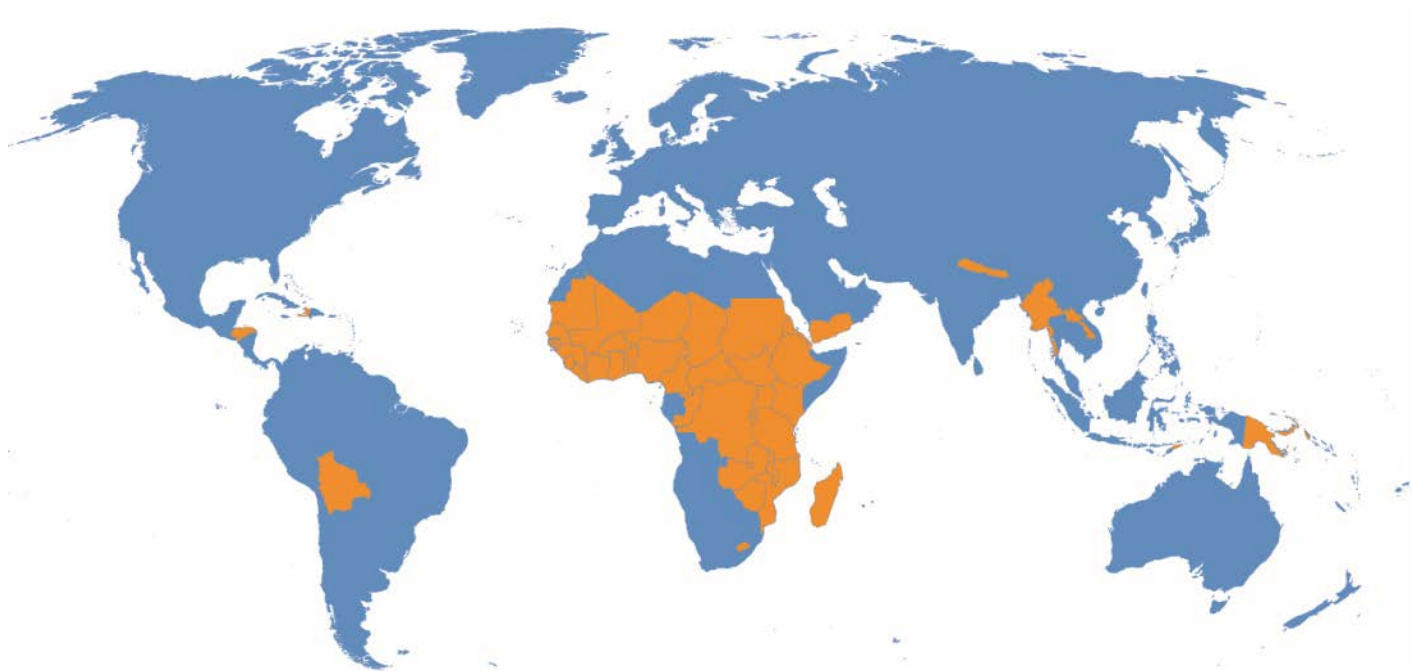




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Mauritania  
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**UNFPA Supplies also provides strategic support to other countries in response to humanitarian crises, to support Family Planning 2020 commitments, and to implement the UNFPA Family Planning Strategy.**

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# Message from the Executive Director

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development guides and inspires our strategies to expand access to and use of family planning by women and girls in some of the world's poorest countries. It is transformational, aspirational and creating a movement that embraces priorities with sustainable impact. One of these priorities is at the heart of our work at UNFPA: family planning.



Within the Sustainable Development Goals, family planning is part of Goal 3 on health and Goal 5 on gender equality and women's empowerment. The impact of family planning is much wider, however, because we will never end poverty and hunger (Goals 1 and 2), ensure quality education for all (Goal 4) or promote sustained economic growth (Goal 8) unless every woman and adolescent girl has access to quality, rights-based family planning services.

Yet, there are still more than 200 million women in developing countries who want to avoid or delay pregnancy but are not using modern contraception. Globally, the impact of fully meeting the need for family planning would be staggering: we could reduce maternal mortality by a quarter, and unintended pregnancies by three quarters. This is why we have made ending unmet need for family planning one of the three transformative results of the UNFPA Strategic Plan for the next four years, which will contribute to achieving Agenda 2030. Based on our experiences and successes in supporting countries over the past decade, I am confident that one of the best mechanisms we have to help achieve this result is our dedicated thematic fund for family planning, UNFPA Supplies.

Through UNFPA Supplies, 46 countries are working to achieve a secure, steady and reliable supply of contraceptives and life-saving maternal health medicines and to build much-needed capacity in the systems and services that sustain their access and use.

UNFPA Supplies focuses, in particular, on reaching those who face the greatest barriers to accessing reproductive health services, including family planning. Ensuring we reach the poorest women and young people, those living in rural areas and with lower levels of education, who often have the least access to services, is vital for attaining universal health coverage and a cornerstone of sustainable development that leaves no one behind.

The UNFPA Supplies Annual Report 2017 shows steady progress in the programme's efforts to sustain secure supplies of contraceptives so that every couple, every woman, and every young person can access a choice of affordable, quality products when and where they need them. It's their right, and it's the right thing to do – for individuals, societies and nations.

**Dr. Natalia Kanem,**  
UNFPA Executive Director

# Foreword

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Chief, Commodity Security Branch, UNFPA



The world is reaching more women and girls than ever before with access to a choice of quality contraceptives, but more must be done to accelerate progress towards universal access to reproductive health. In 46 countries, the UNFPA Supplies programme is building capacity to meet the unmet need for family planning, ensure sustained financing for family planning, and go the last mile for hard-to-reach women and adolescent girls. In 2017, the programme provided technical assistance to build capacity in human resource for health and in supply chain management. In addition, contraceptives provided by UNFPA Supplies in 2017 had potential to avert an estimated 7.5 million unintended pregnancies; 18,000 maternal deaths; 114,000 child deaths; and 2.3 million unsafe abortions.

UNFPA Supplies plays a catalytic and supporting role in 46 of the world's lowest-income countries — all with high maternal mortality and high unmet need for family planning — helping to build stronger health systems to ensure that contraceptives and maternal health medicines are available to all who need them. The programme provides technical assistance for strengthening national reproductive health supply chains through analysis, strategic interventions, capacity-building and addressing bottlenecks.

UNFPA launched this mechanism (a thematic fund) in 2007 and 10 years later it is recognized worldwide as the main channel for assisting countries to achieve “reproductive health commodity security” so that every woman, adolescent girl or young person is able to choose from and use a range of quality family planning methods, no matter where they live. I would like to emphasize the added value of this programme as part of UNFPA's comprehensive support to developing countries. UNFPA has a physical presence in every programme country and leverages the organization's convening role to add value in our efforts to integrate family planning within broader initiatives such as ending child marriage and work of the Maternal Health Thematic Fund.

Though there is much to report for the year, I would first like to note the importance of protecting the reproductive health of women and adolescent girls under the most challenging conditions. In 2017, 35 of the 46 countries in UNFPA Supplies experienced humanitarian crisis, including natural disasters, conflicts and post-conflict situations. The programme played a vital part in UNFPA's emergency response — not only through provision of Reproductive Health Kits with supplies to provide comprehensive reproductive health care for impacted populations, but also through strengthening supply chains both for humanitarian response and in the post-crisis period, and by supporting countries to build more resilient health systems.

Another significant area of work was internal. The recommended revision of the programme's governance structure was introduced in 2017, with a revised set of roles and responsibilities for the UNFPA Supplies Steering Committee and the creation of a Donor Accountability Council (DAC) to follow up on Quarterly Performance

Management reporting. The programme, in partnership with the United Kingdom's Department of International Development (DFID) and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation also worked to develop the UNFPA Supplies Bridge Funding Mechanism. This revolving fund for eligible donor commitments to UNFPA Supplies aims to improve value for money, expedite the receipt of commodities by countries to avoid stock-outs, and allow for the negotiation of lower commodity costs through UNFPA Procurement Services over time. The UNFPA Supplies team has already utilized these funds to avert identified risks of commodity shortages or stock-outs in 27 countries to date.

Finally, in the challenging financial landscape, UNFPA Supplies is working closely with countries to support them on the pathway to financial sustainability. This includes repositioning family planning in several ways: highlighting its benefits by developing business cases, for example, that demonstrate the importance of family planning in national development plans; expanding the pool of funding resources; and maximizing efficiency for results with impact.

I take this opportunity to thank the donors who invest in reproductive health commodity security through the UNFPA Supplies programme, not only recognizing its effectiveness and efficiency as a mechanism to provide contraceptives and life-saving maternal health supplies, but also valuing UNFPA Supplies as a programme with a strategic and catalytic role to play in strengthening health systems and preparing countries to meet the needs of all women and adolescent girls through sustainable family planning. In 2017, UNFPA Supplies received support from Australia, Belgium, Canada, Denmark, France, Ireland, Liechtenstein, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain, the United Kingdom, the European Commission, the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Children's Investment Fund Foundation, the Winslow Foundation, Treehouse Investments and private contributions (including online). Thank you.

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