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The 2010 Annual Report

of the Global Forum on MSM & HIV (MSMGF)





NOTE FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER

The year 2010 was both breathtaking and heart breaking. We witnessed important progress and painful setbacks for communities working against HIV and for the health and human rights of gay men and other men who have sex with men (MSM) worldwide.

New research demonstrated the advantages of 100% coverage of comprehensive HIV-related services for MSM, as well as the impact such coverage has on general populations across country-specific epidemiologic scenarios. Research also pointed to the promise of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).

The past year also saw the World Health Organization (WHO) develop new guidance for HIV-related prevention and care sensitive to MSM and our unique sexual health needs.

The United Nations Joint Program on AIDS (UNAIDS) also revised its outcome framework to include a specific focus on targeting MSM, sex workers and transgender people.

The Global Fund on AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM) created a funding reserve to support HIV proposals that focus on most at risk populations, including MSM. This new funding stream resulted in twelve successful grant applications with a five-year value of over U.S. \$130 million.

Sadly, these stunning achievements were overshadowed by continued global backsliding in human rights for MSM. Influential Ugandan activist David Kato was brutally murdered, drawing global attention to the all-too-common violence against MSM and transgender people around the world. Kato's death followed a series of disturbing events that unfolded in Uganda in the months before his murder, including the infamous "Anti-homosexuality Bill" calling for life in prison and possible execution for those engaging in same-gender sexual activity. As horrifying as these regressions are, they are not isolated, and they require that we continue to step up our advocacy efforts and vigilance.

The numerous advances and setbacks that took place in the past year all point to new challenges for those of us working in the field of HIV among MSM. The work ahead will require redoubled energy and tenacity to ensure that the response to HIV among MSM is moving in a direction that will result in better health outcomes and an improved status of human rights for MSM around the world

Over the course of 2010, the Global Forum on MSM & HIV (MSMGF) greatly enhanced its capacity to conduct advocacy, research, knowledge production and program activities. Thanks to wide-ranging support from foundations, governments and partner organizations, we were able to expand our Secretariat staff to 7.5 full-time employees and open our new headquarters in Oakland, California.

Throughout the year, we encouraged the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) to develop country-level field guidance focused on MSM and transgender people, and worked to honor the experiences of communities that are routinely excluded from basic care and support services.

We also partnered with The Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+), the Global Network of Sex Work Projects, the International Network of People Who Use Drugs, the International Planned Parenthood Association, and Pangaea Global AIDS Foundation to help expand our mutual support and shared reach.

Two of the MSMGF's most exciting endeavors came to fruition this past summer. In July, we hosted our fourth and largest Pre-Conference event for MSM in advance of the XVIII International AIDS Conference in Vienna. Entitled Be Heard!, the event was attended by nearly 600 advocates, community members, service providers, researchers, public health officials, donors and key thought leaders representing over 300 organizations from 80 countries. The Be Heard! event served as a marquee opportunity for strategizing, networking and challenging one another toward a more coordinated global response to HIV among MSM.

Immediately following the conference's conclusion in August, we launched version 2.0 of www.msmgf.org, expanding our membership to nearly 1,900 activists in 122 countries and offering extensive information and services in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. Our web presence will continue to be a cornerstone of our service to you.

The year 2011 will mark the completion of our first three-year strategic plan. The MSMGF will spend the early part of 2011 consulting with a range of stakeholders from every region of the world to determine our organization's strategic direction for the next three to five years.

As a newly appointed civil society delegate to the UNAIDS Program Coordinating Board, we also will be actively engaged in the processes leading up to the United Nations' High Level Meeting on AIDS.

Finally, we will be working closely with MSM activists at the country-level as we initiate Speaking Out, the MSMGF's new community systems strengthening project.

On behalf of our staff, steering committee, global members, volunteers and donors worldwide, I have the honor of saying thank you for an incredible 2010. Please join us as we move forward into the challenges and exciting possibilities of 2011.

Warmly,

George Ayala,

Executive Officer, MSMGF

FOUNDING, MISSION, GOALS AND STRATEGY

Founding

Established at the 2006 International AIDS Conference, the Global Forum on MSM and HIV (MSMGF) is the only global HIV and AIDS advocacy network specifically devoted to the needs of men who have sex wtih men (MSM). The MSMGF is governed by a collegially appointed, 20-member steering committee of internationally recognized advocates and HIV and AIDS professionals representing every major region of the world. The composition of the MSMGF steering committee is a reflection of its commitment to uphold a global perspective on and coverage of MSM and HIV issues, with delegates from Australia, Cameroon, Canada, China, Dominican Republic, India, Jamaica, Mexico, Morocco, Nicaragua, Romania, South Africa, Uganda, the United Kingdom, the United States, and Zimbabwe actively involved. We ended 2010 with a successful call for expressions of interest that will add four new steering committee members, one each from Kazakhstan, Lebanon, Paraguay and Thailand.

Mission

The mission of The Global Forum on MSM and HIV (MSMGF) is to advocate for equitable access to effective HIV prevention, care, treatment, and support services tailored to the needs of gay men and other MSM, including gay men and MSM living with HIV, while promoting their health and human rights worldwide.

Goals

The work of the MSMGF is organized around five specific goals:

- I. Increased investment (funding) in effective HIV prevention, care, treatment and support programs for MSM.
- 2. Expanded coverage of (roll out of and access to) quality HIV-related services for MSM.
- 3. Increased knowledge on MSM and HIV through the promotion of research and its broad-based dissemination.
- 4. Decreased stigma, discrimination, and violence against MSM.
- 5. Strengthened regional, sub-regional, and national networks of MSM around the world linked to each other and to an organizationally robust MSMGF; this includes networks of MSM living with HIV and a strengthened response to the needs of MSM among networks of people living with HIV.

Strategy

The MSMGF works to ensure an effective response to rapidly escalating HIV epidemics among MSM, including the consequent support, treatment and care needs of MSM living with HIV, through advocacy, information exchange, knowledge production, networking, and capacity building activities, sustained over time at the global level. Consistent with the established values of GIPA, the MSMGF strives to involve MSM living with HIV at all levels of its strategy, policy development and implementation.



Paul Semugoma (Uganda), Zhen Li (China), Robert Carr (Jamaica), Othman Mellouk (Morocco), Norman Gutierrez (Nicaragua), Don Baxter (Australia), Tudor Kovacs (Romania), Gus Cairns (UK), Aditya Bondyopadhyay (India) (pictured left to right)



TIMELINE OF MSMGF DEVELOPMENT

2004

First Pre-Conference focused on MSM and HIV at International AIDS Conference (IAC) in Bangkok August 2004

2006

MSMGF formally established in Toronto at 2nd IAC-related Pre-Conference event August 2006

AIDS Project Los Angeles named as host to MSMGF secretariat October 2006

2007 •

MSMGF receives its first core operating funds from The Aids Fonds Netherlands and Hivos August 2007

MSMGF holds first expanded steering committee meeting January 2008

3rd IAC-related Pre-Conference event in Mexico City
July 2008

2008

MSMGF launches website 1.0 April 2008

MSMGF co-sponsors first U.S. Congressional hearing on MSM and HIV September 2008

2009

MSMGF establishes governance structure via Terms of Reference

January 2009

MSMGF creates its first strategic plan January 2009

MSMGF secures its first large project grants from the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID) and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation November 2009

2010

MSMGF staff expansion from .5 to 7.5 full-time staff January 2010

MSMGF produces its first Policy Brief: Reaching MSM February 2010

4th IAC-related Pre-Conference event in Vienna, Austria July 2010

MSMGF named North American NGO delegate to the UNAIDS PCB December 2010

MSMGF opens headquarters in Oakland, California, USA January 2010

MSMGF conducts its first global online survey about prevention access June 2010

MSMGF launches website 2.0 August 2010

Launch of Sense, multi-lingual online publication for and by gay and other MSM living with HIV September 2010

SELECTED STRATEGIC ACTIVITIES IN 2010

Throughout 2010, the MSMGF worked to ensure an effective response to rapidly escalating HIV epidemics among MSM through advocacy, information exchange, knowledge production, networking, and capacity building activities. We carried out this work in collaboration with constituencies and networks around the world. In the following pages, we share with you some of the highlights from our efforts in 2010.

Advocacy

The MSMGF works to bring attention to and mobilize action around policies, laws and other initiatives that impact the health and human rights of MSM worldwide. Our advocacy efforts are also directed toward increasing resources and elevating underrepresented issues that are unique to MSM and HIV in all world regions. The range of advocacy strategies employed by the MSMGF includes policy analysis, the monitoring of AIDS-related policy- and decision-making processes, and the development and dissemination of written statements and briefs through a think-tank approach that draws on the expertise of our Steering Committee members from around the world. The MSMGF is committed to utilizing a rights-based framework in our efforts to address HIV and other public health issues concerning MSM. Key targets for advocacy include country governments, global donors, international development agencies and the family of UN agencies. Some of our advocacy activities from 2010 are highlighted below.

WHO Guidelines on HIV and STIs for MSM & Transgender Persons

The MSMGF continues to collaborate with the World Health Organization in helping to develop guidelines for the prevention and treatment of HIV and other sexually transmitted infections among MSM and transgender people in low- and middle-income countries. MSMGF Executive Officer Dr. George Ayala serves on the WHO Advisory Work Group dedicated to this project.

Strengthening UNAIDS' Action on MSM, Stigma and Discrimination

The MSMGF advocated strongly for an expanded UNAIDS mandate to address HIV among MSM at the 26th Meeting of the Programme Coordinating Board (PCB) in June, 2010. MSMGF advocates from Belarus, the

UNAIDS PCB Meeting in Geneva, Switzerland, June, 2010
MSMGF Steering Committee Member, Sam Matsikure (Zimbabwe),
Advocate Igor Mocorro (Philippines), Advocate Alex Paluyan (Belarus),
MSMGF Executive Officer, George Ayala. (pictured left to right)

Philippines and Zimbabwe spoke powerfully about their experiences and the urgent need to step up programs and remove barriers to universal access for MSM.

U.S.-Funded Global AIDS Programs

Key MSMGF advocacy efforts targeted United States Government-funded global AIDS programs under the auspices of PEPFAR and the Global Health Initiative by means of face-to-face advocacy on Capitol Hill and leadership of the MSM Policy Working Group. MSMGF Policy Associate Krista Lauer served as Co-Chair of this group, seated at the Global AIDS Roundtable, convened by the Global Health Council.

The MSMGF also advocated for the creation of a PEPFAR Field Guidance Document on MSM. We worked to educate advocates around the world about the forthcoming guidance, and urged the Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator to issue the guidance without delay.

Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (GFATM)

In 2010, the MSMGF issued a public statement advocating for greater involvement of MSM in decision making at the country level to help key populations at risk access resources disseminated by the GFATM.

Anti-Homosexuality Bill in Uganda

In response to the Anti-Homosexuality Bill introduced last year in Uganda, the MSMGF's actions included organizing sign-on letters from the HIV and public health community in Uganda and abroad and sent to President Museveni and key U.S. leaders.

Support for Transgender Persons

In 2010, the MSMGF issued a position statement advocating for the depathologization of transgender identities and calling on the American Psychiatric Association and the World Health Organization to eliminate a diagnosis of Gender Identity Disorder from their psychiatric manuals. The MSMGF also worked to establish a Transgender Reference Group to help guide our advocacy and support the development of vibrant global organizing among transgender leadership and communities worldwide.

Information Exchange

The MSMGF views information exchange and distribution as a key tool for enhancing work for the health and human rights of sexual and gender minority populations worldwide. From developing dynamic information services to engaging media at the national and international level, the MSMGF works hard to ensure that vital information is easily accessible to the people who need it most.

We accomplish this through a multi-pronged approach to communications, offering services including a multi-lingual website and daily news digests, as well as issuing regular position statatements and press releases to community members and global media outlets alike. We also maintain a growing social media presence through resources like Facebook and Twitter.

Website

Our website, www.msmgf.org, continues to be one of our most important tools for serving our constituencies. In August of 2010, we were pleased to release a greatly enhanced version of our website. Version 2.0 features expanded language capacity and delivery of information in Arabic, Chinese, English, French, Portuguese, Russian and Spanish. The site includes information organized by geographical region, MSM subpopulation and cross-cutting theme. It also offers a vast library of more than 9,000 articles on the health and human rights of MSM around the world, an opportunities section featuring new calls for funding and input solicitation, discussion forums in each of the MSMGF's seven target languages, and the ability for users to vote for important articles to be translated by the MSMGF. These services were identified as priority areas by our subscribing members during formative research for the site's development. This user input helped to ensure that the MSMGF website reflects the ongoing concerns and needs of our constituents.

Online membership at the MSMGF website continued to grow throughout the year. We averaged 120 visits a day from all over the world. By the close of 2010, the site had 1,828 subscribers representing 122 countries in each of our seven target languages and from every region in the world.

In keeping with our established information services, the MSMGF communications team has identified and circulated between five and ten new resources relevant to the health and human rights of MSM every day. Each of these resources is uploaded to MSMGF.org and sent out via Twitter with appropriate hashtags, and the MSMGF Facebook page is updated nearly every day with new material.



Throughout 2010, the MSMGF also continued to shape global discourse by crafting high-visibility press releases on key topics, and principled statements on hot-button issues, crises and opportunities as they emerged. Some of these efforts in 2010 included the following:

Press Releases

- Gates Foundation Supports Global Forum on MSM & HIV in New Worldwide Prevention Campaign Targeting Men Who Have Sex with Men [April 1, 2010]
- World's Largest Conference on Health and Human Rights of Men Who Have Sex with Men to Address Worsening Global AIDS Crisis among Gay Men [June 24, 2010]
- Groundbreaking Johns Hopkins—World Bank Survey Reveals Devastating Global HIV Epidemic among Gay Men, Global Health Leaders Call for Urgent Action Against Homophobia and Anti-Gay Legislation [July 17, 2010]
- Global Health Leaders to Sound Alarm on Dual Crises of HIV, Discrimination among Gay Men During Vienna Press Briefing [July 20, 2010]
- New Publication Transcends Language Barriers to Share Untold Stories of Gay Men Living with HIV around the World [September 21, 2010]
- Groundbreaking Global Survey Indicates Most Gay Men Worldwide Cannot Access Basic HIV Prevention and Services [November 29, 2010]

Statements

- The Global Forum on MSM & HIV Applauds Congressional Resolutions against Uganda's Anti-Homosexuality Bill, Public Statements by President Obama and Secretary Clinton [February 5, 2010]
- The Global Forum on MSM & HIV (MSMGF) calls for greater inclusion of MSM advocates in country-led HIV planning and decision-making bodies [March 17, 2010]
- The Global Forum on MSM & HIV (MSMGF) supports worldwide advocacy efforts to depathologize transgender identities [April 20, 2010]
- Homophobia in the Age of AIDS Letter from the MSMGF's Executive Officer on the International Day Against Homophobia (IDAHO) [May 17, 2010]
- The Global Forum on MSM & HIV (MSMGF) Condemns Ruling against Same-Sex Couple in Malawi [May 18, 2010]
- MSMGF Outraged at 14 Year Imprisonment of Monjeza and Chimbalanga in Malawi [May 21, 2010]
- The Global Forum on MSM & HIV Stands with Global HIV Advocates in Congratulating CAPRISA on Prevention Breakthrough [July 20, 2010]
- The Global Forum on MSM & HIV welcomes positive results of PrEP safety trial among MSM [July 24, 2010]
- The MSMGF calls on Nepal's Home Ministry to issue citizenship cards to transgender people and metis [September 19, 2010]
- Arbitrary Arrests of Gay Men in China Violate Human Rights, Undermine Effective HIV Prevention and Treatment [September 30, 2010]
- The MSMGF urges global donors to report investments for most-at-risk populations, ensure funding contributions align with disease burden [November 15, 2010]

Knowledge Production

The MSMGF is committed to a critical dialogue about the human rights and HIV needs of MSM around the globe. To encourage more robust discourse, we produce a variety of print, online and cross-media publications, while also contributing to innovative community-based research. Our publications and research are offered in multiple languages and seek to help balance the rigorous with the accessible. These publications are created by the MSMGF Secretariat in consultation with our Steering Committee, global thought leaders and activists, guest editors and community members. Below are some of the publications we launched in 2010.

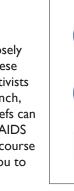
Sense

Sense is the MSMGF's new multilingual online publication for MSM living with HIV. With contributions from gay men and other MSM around the world, Sense features personal stories about living with HIV in four different languages: English, Spanish, French and Portuguese. The publication is designed as a bridge that connects MSM from different parts of the world – a vehicle through which MSM can share their experiences of stigma and discrimination, activism and empowerment.



Policy Briefs

In 2010, the MSMGF generated three policy briefs on issues closely connected with human rights and HIV prevention for MSM. These briefs were designed especially for advocates, policy makers, activists and thought leaders and were made available in English, French, Russian and Spanish. Necessarily concise and focused, these briefs can serve as primers on hot topics and contested fields within the AIDS community. We will continue to contribute to cutting-edge discourse through our commitment to future briefs, and we encourage you to utilize and disseminate broadly any of our previous efforts:



Reaching MSM in the Global HIV and AIDS Epidemic, February, 2010. This Brief provides an introduction to HIV among gay men and other MSM and identifies key strategic areas that are essential to turning the tide of the epidemic.

Social Discrimination Against Men Who Have Sex With Men (MSM), May, 2010. This Brief provides an overview of social discrimination as it relates to MSM and HIV, and includes recommendations for concerted action and policy guided by a human rights framework.



HIV Prevention with MSM: Balancing Evidence with Rights-based Principles of Practice, June, 2010. This Brief challenges the silence at the global level about the disproportionate impact that HIV and AIDS have on MSM and calls for ethically implemented and methodologically sound surveillance, along with epidemiologic and social science research that could sensitively inform HIV prevention and advocacy responses around the world.

War Diaries

War Diaries is the fourth publication in AIDS Project Los Angeles' (APLA) series for black gay and bisexual men, and the first formal

publishing collaboration between APLA and the MSMGF. Featuring poetry, memoir, critical essays and original artwork, *War Diaries* reflects the MSMGF's commitment to the MSM communities most impacted by HIV worldwide, including members of the black diaspora in the Global North, and post-colonial societies in the Global South. The publication was edited by writers Tisa Bryant and Ernest Hardy, and it debuted at the XVIII International AIDS Conference in Vienna, Austria in July, 2010.



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Research

The MSMGF believes that ethical, rigorous and inclusive research is central to the fight against HIV. The MSMGF contributes to the global body of knowledge on MSM and HIV by activating targeted sections of a robust global network to collaborate on survey projects, key correspondent interviews, and other important research initiatives. Two of our most important research efforts in 2010 are profiled below.

Access to HIV Prevention Services and Knowledge and Attitudes about PrEP

In mid-2010, the MSMGF conducted a multilingual survey among MSM and MSM service providers around the world to help increase understanding of the HIV prevention knowledge and needs of MSM globally. Available in Chinese, English, French, Russian, and Spanish, the online survey asked about a host of HIV-prevention strategies both well-established and emerging. It also featured questions focused on social realities, job and housing opportunities and experiences of social discrimination for MSM in all regions of the world. While the survey initially sought to reach 1,000 participants, we were excited to receive more than 5,000 responses by the time the survey closed. The survey was funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and developed in collaboration with Dr. Patrick Wilson, a researcher at Columbia University.

In Our Own Words – Preferences, Values and Perspectives on HIV Prevention and Treatment: A Civil Society Consultation with MSM & Transgender People

In late-2010, the World Health Organization (WHO) commissioned the MSMGF to conduct a series of interviews with MSM and transgender people around the world regarding experiences and perspectives on prevention and treatment for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections. The MSMGF conducted 39 open-ended interviews with respondents from 27 different countries throughout Africa, Asia, the Caribbean, Eastern Europe, Central Asia, Latin America, North America and Western Europe. A report based on the survey's findings was prepared in collaboration with Dr. Sonya Arreola, a researcher with from Research Triangle Institute, and presented to the WHO to help them develop guidelines for HIV and STI services targeting MSM and transgender people.

Networking

The MSMGF regularly supports gatherings of MSM, advocates, activists, researchers, health officials and key stakeholders in the global effort for human rights and against HIV. From collegial introductions to strategic partnerships and multi-session intensive summits, the MSMGF helps to serve as connective tissue for a global movement. During 2010, the MSMGF held another successful Pre-Conference event, and deepened our ties to coalitions and networks of advocates worldwide.

Be Heard! Pre-Conference Event

The MSMGF has produced a biennial MSM Pre-Conference before each International AIDS Conference since 2004. The 2010 event, entitled Be Heard!, was held on July 17th, in advance of the XVIII International AIDS Conference in Vienna, Austria. The gathering included nearly 600 advocates, researchers, service providers



Joel Gustave Nana (Cameroon), MSMGF Steering Committee Member, addressing delegates at the *Be Heard!* Pre-Conference Event in Vienna, Austria, July, 2010.

and funders from over 80 countries. The program included presentations from more than 100 of the world's top experts on the health and human rights of sexual minorities, as well as plenary presentations from UNAIDS Executive Director Michel Sidibé, Global Fund Executive Director Michel Kazatchkine, U.S. Congresswoman Barbara Lee, AIDS-Free World Co-Director Stephen Lewis, and UNDP Cluster Leader, Human Rights, Gender & Diversities, Mandeep Dhaliwal, among others.

MSMGF Youth Reference Group

Over the past year, the MSMGF has established a standing Reference Group of youth advocates all over the world to help guide the MSMGF's work to promote the health and human rights of young MSM globally. The Youth Reference Group meets once a month by phone to discuss the MSMGF's youth agenda.

Regional Network Support

The MSMGF provides support to regional networks of MSM, transgender people, and other sexual minorities in a variety of ways. In 2010, the MSMGF supported the work of a consultant to work with the African Men for Sexual Health and Rights (AMSHeR) to assess the capacity of its member organizations. The MSMGF also strengthened ties with MSM networks in Latin America and Asia and participated in the first regional conference to develop a network for MSM and trans communities in Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

Capacity Building Activities

In an effort to support essential local programs and initiatives, the MSMGF provides technical assistance and capacity building services for MSM advocates worldwide. Some of our capacity building activities are profiled below.

Heart Talk Support Groups – China

The MSMGF collaborated with AIDS Relief Fund for China (ARFC) on the development and evaluation of Heart Talk, a small-group style HIV intervention for Chinese MSM. In January, 2010, staff from the MSMGF and ARFC traveled to China to conduct trainings on program implementation and evaluation with 28 grassroots organizations working with MSM. Significantly, 2010 marked the program's third year.

Abstract Assistance at International Conferences

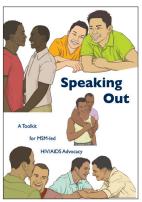
The MSMGF has provided technical assistance to individuals submitting MSM-focused abstracts to the last two International AIDS Conferences. The majority of program participants were submitting abstracts to a major conference for the first time. Seventy-five percent of abstracts submitted to AIDS 2008 by authors utilizing the MSMGF's technical assistance program were accepted for presentation. For the AIDS 2010 program, the acceptance rate rose to 80 percent.

Round 10 Global Fund Proposal - Latin America

The MSMGF also provided technical assistance to the Coalition of Central American Gay Organizations (CONGA) and The Asociacion para la Salud Integral y la Ciudadania de America Latina y el Caribe (ASICAL) in the development of proposals for Round 10 of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Malaria and Tuberculosis. MSMGF staff contributed with coordination of activities and tasks, review and synthesis of information, and ongoing communication with CONGA members and principal consultants responsible for writing the technical proposal. MSMGF staff also participated in face to face meetings to consult with key stakeholders in the region to gather information about regional conditions and country conditions addressed by the proposal. The final proposal was submitted to the Global Fund in August, 2010.

"Speaking Out" - Community Systems Strengthening Project

At the end of 2010, the MSMGF was thrilled to announce the launch of a new international initiative to address rising rates of HIV among MSM by working to reduce stigma, discrimination and violence. Supported by a consortium of funders, including ViiV Healthcare's Positive Action Program, the Levi Strauss Foundation, and Hivos, the landmark project signals a growing recognition of the connection between homophobia and the spread of HIV. The MSMGF's "Speaking Out" project will support grassroots activists in Central America, North Africa and Southeast Asia with trainings and funding to develop and implement innovative rights-based advocacy projects of their own design.



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Looking Ahead

We can already see that 2011 promises to be a demanding and dynamic year. The MSMGF will develop a new strategic plan to guide our work well into the future. We are excited to convene global thought leaders to advise us in this process. Throughout 2011 we will also further bolster our global advocacy work, enunciate positions on emerging HIV prevention and treatment issues relevant to MSM, expand our partnership efforts and continue to improve key services through our website. As always, the MSMGF welcomes your recommendations and feedback. We look forward to collaborating with you in the years to come.

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Aids Fonds, the Netherlands
AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA)
Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
Hivos
Levi Strauss Foundation
Open Society Institute (OSI)
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United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID)
United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
ViiV Healthcare's Positive Action Program
World Health Organization (WHO)

SUPPORTERS OF THE 2010 BE HEARD! PRE-CONFERENCE IN VIENNA, AUSTRIA

Categories are named after global forms of poetry.

RENGA - \$75,000+

United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID) AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA) Open Society Institute (OSI)

GHAZAL - \$50,000 - 74,999

Hivos

United States Agency for International
Development (USAID) / US President's
Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

PANTOUM - \$25,000 - 49,999

UNAIDS: The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

JUE JE - \$10,000 - 24,999

Aids Fonds, The Netherlands
Roche Molecular Diagnostics
World Health Organization (WHO)
The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and
Malaria
Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC)

The Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+)

RTI International, Asia Office amfAR. The Foundation for AIDS Research

CENTO - \$2,500 - 9,999

Pangaea Global AIDS Foundation
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
AIDS Foundation of Chicago – International
Rectal Microbicide Advocates
(AFC – IRMA)
Interpretation Support
COC Netherlands
San Francisco AIDS Foundation (SFAF)
Population Service International (PSI)
Australian Federation of AIDS Organisations
(AFAO)
United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
John Snow, Inc. (JSI)
International AIDS Society (IAS)
Vienna Convention Bureau

BE HEARD! PRE-CONFERENCE IN-KIND SUPPORT

AIDS Hilfe Haus, Wien AIDS Project Los Angeles (APLA) Futures Group

MSMGF FINANCIAL STATEMENT Year Ended June 30, 2010

REVENUE

Grants	\$ 431,122
Contributions	802,468
Contributed Goods and Services	9,096

TOTAL REVENUE \$ 1,242,868

EXPENSES

Salaries and Wages	\$ 341,981
International AIDS Conference and Travel	322,865
Professional and Contracted Services	218,462
Indirect Cost Charges	186,106
Taxes and Benefits	63,969
Printing and Duplication	49,476
Materials, Equipment and Supplies	40,616
Occupancy	34,138
Promotion and Outreach	9,794
Accounting and Legal	9,096
Communications	8,364
Support to Other Organizations	7,652
Postage and Delivery	1,361

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 1,293,880

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