TUESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER – OFFICIAL ICFP PRESS TELECONFERENCE

H.E. MODOU DIAGNE FADA | MINISTER OF HEALTH AND PREVENTION, SENEGAL

H.E. Modou Diagne Fada is the Minister of Health and Prevention of Senegal and was appointed in 2009. From April 2000 to May 2001, he served as the Minister of Youth before moving to the Department of Environment after the general election of 2001.

HON. STEPHEN O’BRIEN | PARLIAMENTARY UNDER-SECRETARY OF STATE, UK DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (DFID)

Stephen O’Brien was appointed Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for International Development on 13 May 2010.

Before politics, after practicing as a solicitor in the City of London for seven years, Stephen O’Brien was a manufacturing industrialist as International Director and Company Secretary of FTSE 100 company, Redland PLC – building materials producers.

Prior to his appointment at DFID, he was a Shadow Minister for Health and Social Care as well as a number of other positions. He was founder and Chairman of the All Party Group on Malaria and Neglected Tropical Diseases, and also of the Tanzania Group (the country of his birth) and Vice Chairman of the All Party Aid, Trade & Debt Group.

He was Vice-Chairman of the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine, a Director-Trustee of the Innovative Vector Control Consortium and, as a leading campaigner globally against malaria, he chaired the NGO, the Malaria Consortium, between 2006 and taking up his Government post.

DR. BABATUNDE OSOTIMEHIN | EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, UNITED NATIONS POPULATION FUND (UNFPA)

On 1 January 2011, Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin became the fourth Executive Director of UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund.

Before this appointment, Dr. Osotimehin was Nigeria’s Minister of Health. Prior to that, he was Director-General of Nigeria’s National Agency for the Control of AIDS, which coordinates HIV and AIDS work in a country of about 160 million people.

Dr. Osotimehin qualified as a doctor from the University of Ibadan, Nigeria, in 1972, and went to the University of Birmingham, England, and got a doctorate in medicine in 1979. He was appointed Professor at the University of Ibadan in 1980 and headed the Department of Clinical Pathology before being elected Provost of the College of Medicine in 1990. Years later, he served in several organizations, including as Chair of the National Action Committee on AIDS, from 2002 to 2007.
The Executive Director has participated in the Cairo Population Conference, Beijing Women’s Conference and United Nations special sessions on AIDS.

Dr. Osotimehin received the Nigerian national honour of Officer of the Order of the Niger (OON) in December 2005. His interests include youth and gender, within the context of reproductive health and rights.

He is married and has five children.

**DR. JUDY MANNING | HEALTH DEVELOPMENT OFFICER, OFFICE OF POPULATION AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID)**

Dr. Judy Manning is a Health Development Officer in the Research, Technology, and Utilization (RTU) Division of the Office of Population and Reproductive Health, U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). She holds a Master’s Degree in Physical Anthropology, a PhD in Zoology, and completed postdoctoral training in reproductive sciences.

Dr. Manning first served with USAID in 1993-1995 as a Science & Diplomacy Fellow through the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS); she then worked as Science Education Manager and Grants Manager at the Smithsonian’s National Zoological Park in Washington, DC. Dr. Manning rejoined the RTU Division at USAID in 2002, and currently leads the biomedical research team focusing on the development of prevention technologies for unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, including HIV.

**DR. WARD CATES | PRESIDENT, RESEARCH, FHI 360**

Dr. Ward Cates is President of Research at FHI 360. Before joining FHI 360 seventeen years ago, Dr. Cates was at CDC for two decades, where he was in the Family Planning Evaluation Division for half that time and directed the STD/HIV Prevention efforts for the other half. His professional passion is sexual health - the intersection of the fields of family planning and sexually transmitted infections; his vision embraces a sexual “wellness” rather than a sexual “disease” orientation. Allowing couples to plan the number and timing of their children is an essential element of sexual wellness, as well as meeting all eight Millennium Development Goals.

Dr. Cates received his undergraduate degree in history from Yale University, a master’s degree in history from King’s College, Cambridge University, a combined M.D.-M.P.H. degree from Yale School of Medicine, and trained clinically in Internal Medicine at the University of Virginia Hospital. He is board certified in preventive medicine. Dr. Cates is a Member of the Institute of Medicine, National Academy of Sciences, the American College of Preventive Medicine, and past President of the Society for Epidemiologic Research. Dr. Cates has authored or co-authored over 450 scientific publications. He is co-author of 10 editions of Contraceptive Technology and a past co-editor of Sexually Transmitted Diseases, 2nd edition.
H.E. HAJA ZAINAB HAWA BANGURA | MINISTER OF HEALTH AND SANITATION, SIERRA LEONE

H.E. Haja Zainab Hawa Bangura was appointed Sierra Leone's Minister of Health and Sanitation in December 2010 by President Ernest Bai Koroma. Previously, she served as Sierra Leone’s second female Minister of Foreign Affairs when appointed after President Koroma’s election in September 2007. Minister Bangura has over 20 years of policy, diplomatic, and practical experience in the field of governance and conflict including: conflict zones in Africa, elections, corruption, gender, international cooperation/relations, peacekeeping and peace operations, and post conflict recovery. She has held senior positions including: Minister (Government of Sierra Leone), Director ( United Nations), Founder, Coordinator and Executive Director of Sierra Leone foremost local NGO’s on human rights, democracy, good governance and anti-corruption (Campaign for Governance, Transparency International- Sierra Leone Chapter), and Adviser (UNDP, UNHCR, World Bank, Sierra Leone Special Court).

Minister Bangura completed her undergraduate studies at Fourah Bay College and postgraduate studies at Nottingham University and City United Business School, both in the United Kingdom. She has received several awards in Sierra Leone, within West Africa and the African region, and around the world for her work on human rights and corruption. She is also an affiliated member of several organizations around the world and has served and continues to serve in several national, regional and international organizations working on a wide range of issues. She is a Fellow of the Charted Insurance Institute in London and spent 13 years of her working life in the Insurance Industry in Sierra Leone.

DR. AMY TSUI | DIRECTOR, THE BILL & MELINDA GATES INSTITUTE FOR POPULATION AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, JOHNS HOPKINS BLOOMBERG SCHOOL OF PUBLIC HEALTH (JHSPH)

Dr. Amy Tsui is Director of the Bill and Melinda Gates Institute for Population and Reproductive Health and a Professor in the Department of Population, Family, and Reproductive Health at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. Previously, she was director of the Carolina Population Center at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Her research interests relate to contraception, fertility and related reproductive health behaviors in developing world settings.

Dr. Tsui has published on the declining visibility of the international family planning movement, the inequity of unwanted fertility, and contraceptive service access in developing countries, the impact of contraceptive discontinuation and failure on induced abortion, the role of delayed childbearing for the prevention of obstetric fistula and the impact of contraception on birth spacing and infant mortality. She is currently collaborating with Gates Institute partners on a Family Health and Wealth Study in six African and two Asian countries. She is a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Sciences and currently serves on a various scientific review and advisory committees of federal and international agencies.

MONICA KERRIGAN, DEPUTY DIRECTOR AND TEAM LEADER, FAMILY PLANNING/REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, FAMILY HEALTH OFFICE, GLOBAL HEALTH PROGRAM, BILL & MELINDA GATES FOUNDATION

Monica Kerrigan oversees the strategy development, grant making and monitoring and evaluation of the family planning and reproductive health strategy at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. The strategy aims to revitalize family planning to significantly improve the health of mothers and infants in Sub Saharan Africa and South Asia. Her portfolio encompasses the revitalization of family planning at the global level, identifying new contraceptive technologies to meet women’s needs and expanding quality and access to services in focus geographies.
Prior to joining the foundation in 2007, Monica served as the team leader, Maternal and Newborn Health for UNICEF in Indonesia and also served for more than a decade at USAID as a Senior Technical Advisor for Reproductive Health. Ms. Kerrigan also worked at the Johns Hopkins Program for International Education in Reproductive Health (Jhpiego) where she served as the Director of the Africa Office developing the capacity of countries to deliver high quality maternal and reproductive health services.

Ms. Kerrigan has a Masters of Public Health from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill with a specialty in Maternal and Child Health.

**DR. SCOTT RADLOFF | DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF POPULATION AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH, U.S. AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT (USAID)**

Dr. Scott Radloff is currently the Director of the Office of Population and Reproductive Health in USAID’s Global Health Bureau. He has worked at USAID in international health for 28 years. He holds a Ph.D. from Brown University in sociology, with a specialization in demography. Before joining USAID, he was a post-doctoral fellow at the Economic Growth Center at Yale University.

**DR. AKINRINOLA BANKOLE | DIRECTOR, INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH, GUTTMACHER INSTITUTE**

Dr. Akinrinola Bankole is the Guttmacher Institute's Director of International Research. Since starting in 1997, he has taken an active part in the Institute's research projects. He was co-investigator in research efforts to examine men's sexual and reproductive behaviors and service needs worldwide. He is one of the principal staff involved in a research effort examining HIV prevention among young people in Sub-Saharan Africa. He is also currently involved in researching abortion worldwide, focusing particularly on Nigeria, Uganda and Guatemala, and in a study of reasons for unmet need for contraception in developing countries.

Prior to coming to the Institute, he was a member of the research staff at Princeton University's Office of Population Research. His primary research interests include fertility preferences and behavior, contraception, abortion, sexually transmitted diseases and HIV, and gender roles and differentials. Dr. Bankole has extensive experience in undertaking comparative analyses of sexual and reproductive health in developing countries using large-scale datasets. His work includes multi-country studies of unmet need for contraception, fertility preferences and behavior, and contraceptive use. He is a member of the International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Population Association of America, and the Union of African Population Studies. He also serves as a Senior Lecturer in the Department of Population and Family Health at Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health. He has written and co-authored many articles and publications.

**MS. JILL SHEFFIELD | PRESIDENT, WOMEN DELIVER**

Ms. Jill Sheffield is the founder and President of Women Deliver, an international advocacy organization that convenes global leaders to galvanize action on maternal health and women’s empowerment. Jill Sheffield’s commitment to women’s reproductive rights in developing countries was inspired while volunteering for a family planning clinic at the Pumwani Maternity Hospital in Kenya in the mid-1960s, where she was initially working as a teacher. At that time, while the feminist movement was flourishing at home in the USA, the Kenyan women she met through the clinic were legally barred from using contraception without their husbands’ permission. This inequity became the driving force in Ms. Sheffield’s transition from teaching to become a global crusader for women’s reproductive rights.

Prior to Women Deliver, Sheffield became Co-Founder and President for more than 20 years of Family Care International (FCI), where she played an integral role in leading the Safe Motherhood Initiative, launched in
1987, helping to guide global efforts to improve maternal health over the past two decades. Prior to founding FCI, Ms. Sheffield served as Executive Officer for the International Program of Carnegie Corporation of New York, and as Africa Regional Representative and Director of Programs for Latin America for World Education. She has held board and advisory positions for the International Planned Parenthood Federation/Western Hemisphere Region, Population Communications International, Global Fund for Women, and Center for Health and Social Policy. Sheffield received her MA in Comparative and International Education from Columbia University and her BA in Education from Glassboro State College.

THURSDAY, 1 DECEMBER – OFFICIAL ICFP PRESS CONFERENCE

DR. BOCAR MAMADOU DAFF | DIRECTOR, REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES, MINISTRY OF HEALTH, SENEGAL

Dr. Bocar Daff is the Director of Reproductive Health Services in Senegal’s Ministry of Health and Prevention since 2008. He spearheaded the Bajenu Gox Initiative to improve maternal health and reduce child mortality in Senegal.

Prior to that, he was the Head of the Research Division in Senegal’s Ministry of Health and has served as a consultant for Partners for Health Reform Plus. At the second International Conference on Family Planning Dr. Daff will be sharing Senegal’s experience with a presentation on "Advocating from Within: How Ministerial Leaders Can Advance Reproductive Health and Family.”

MR. TEWODROS MELESSE | DIRECTOR-GENERAL, INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION (IPPF)

Mr. Tewodros Melesse was appointed Director-General of IPPF in September 2011. Having worked since 2002 as IPPF Africa Regional Director he brings more than 27 years of experience with organizations committed to sexual and reproductive health and rights for all.

IPPF is the world’s largest non-governmental organization working in this field. With a Strategic Framework adopted by over 150 Member Associations it addresses five key areas: Adolescents, HIV/AIDS, Abortion, Access and Advocacy.

Mr. Melesse is a passionate advocate and is committed to working in strong partnership to achieve change with governments, donors and not-for-profit organizations. His leadership assisted with the development and adoption of the Africa Union Maputo Plan of Action which he believes will save the lives of future women and girls and provides the necessary policy framework to cost universal access to comprehensive sexual and reproductive health in Africa.

Prior to IPPF, Mr. Melesse held the position of Country Representative (Ethiopia) for Pathfinder International. He has a degree in Economics (Catholic University, Louvain, Belgium). A citizen of Ethiopia and a permanent resident of Australia, he is based in the United Kingdom. He is fluent in English and French.