

# REALIZING RIGHTS

## PROTECTING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS IN TIMES OF BACKLASH

Despite 20 years of significant advancement on women's rights, sexual and reproductive rights are currently facing an alarming backlash globally. Women and girls' rights to life, health, privacy and bodily autonomy being threatened by discriminatory laws and policies targeted at sexual and reproductive health. The full enjoyment of sexual and reproductive health and rights remains a distant goal for millions of women and girls throughout the world. This side event will look at the effects of this recent backlash on the lives of women and girls, present initiatives aimed at mitigating these impacts and explore how the Human Rights Council can help support and sustain these good practices.

**Keynote Speaker: Ms. Nancy Northup**, *President and CEO of the Center for Reproductive Rights*

**Moderator: Ms. Kate Gilmore**, *Deputy High Commissioner for Human Rights, OHCHR*

**H.E Mr. Hans Brattskar**, *Ambassador to the Permanent Mission of Norway in Geneva*

**Mr. Moses Mulumba**, *Executive Director, Center for Health, Human Rights and Development (CEHURD), Uganda*

**Ms. Marta Szostak**, *ASTRA Network Coordinator, Poland*

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*Sandwiches and refreshments will be served.*

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