



LIVE EVENT: WOMEN IN GLOBAL HEALTH IRELAND PUBLIC STRATEGY MEETING

July 06, 2021 13:00 – 14:30 Irish Time

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Peggy Maguire

Director General, European Institute of Women's Health

Peggy, a political scientist, has worked at EU and national level over the last twenty years highlighting the need for gender equity in biomedical. public health and social policy. In her role as Director General of the European Institute of Women's Health she is responsible for directing the strategic planning and policy implementation at the EIWH.

As part of her commitment to gender equality Peggy has been part of the WHO expert group on gender mainstreaming, contributing to the WHO Women's Health Strategy for Europe. Peggy is also former President of the European Public Health Alliance (EPHA) and Board member of the Agency for Public Health Accreditation. Peggy has initiated and contributes to EU funded projects such as Engender-Inventory of good practices in Europe for promoting gender equity in health; Joint Action on Chronic Disease, Chrodis- Joint Action, Engendering Research Ethics Committees (RECs) and EUGenMed, leading the research and the workshop on Sex and Gender in Healthcare Professional Education.

In 2019 Peggy was appointed by the Minister for Health in Ireland - Co-Chair of the Women's Health Task Force and lead for developing a women's health strategy.



Alana Ryan

Women's Health Coordinator, National Women's Council of Ireland

Alana leads our health policy and advocacy work, including our work on reproductive rights. She has a strong interest in the social determinants of health inequalities and the impact that early adversity can have on health across the life course. Previously, Alana worked for the NSPCC as their mental health and education policy lead and as a researcher in UCL and Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families. Alana holds a MSc in Comparative Social Policy from the University of Oxford.



Sabine Ludwig

Economist, Women in Global Health Germany

Sabine Ludwig works as guest professor for public health and health services research at the University of Applied Health Sciences in Bochum, Germany, where she teaches courses on global health, health policy, health systems, health systems comparison, international development cooperation, and sex/gender and health. Previously, she has been working in a project at the Charité for the integration of sex and gender aspects into health professions curricula financed by the German Ministry of Health. She also worked at the Robert Koch-Institute, the German national public health institute, in the Department of Epidemiology and Health Monitoring as coordinator and expert for the German National Women's Health Report.

Sabine Ludwig is the co-founder and Director of Women in Global Health - Germany and Head of the Women in Global Health European Chapters Executive Board. She has obtained her doctoral degree at Charité in the field of Gender medicine, Women's Health, Gender Equality and Curriculum Development. Her main research fields are gender equality in global health, global women's health, gender and diversity in health care and in health professions education, women in health care professions.



Mwende Muya

Chapter Development Manager, Women in Global Health Global

Mwende Stephanie Muya is a young feminist and a lawyer with legal background and seven years' experience in women's rights, advocacy, partner coordination, organizing for change, program design and implementation, gender responsive public services, and program evaluation. Her passion has propelled her career growth towards working on youth and women's rights with both national and international organizations. Prior to joining Women in Global Health, Mwende was a Learning and Impact Coordinator at ActionAid International, Kenya.

Mwende has worked in the field of organizing and activism, capacity building and rights with one basic principle: enabling women and young people to activate their own resources to develop their power to take up leadership in different spaces and seek the change they wish to see in their communities. Part of her advocacy work includes co-organizing the My Dress My Choice peaceful demonstration which led to the inclusion of stripping as an offence in the Security Act. She is a member of two Technical Working Groups: AWLN Kenya – Young Women Caucus and the Young Feminist Leadership Network.

