



THE COUNTDOWN TO 2020 STARTS NOW!



Countdown 2030 Europe participated at the Family Planning Summit in London on 11 July, 2017. The Summit succeeded in creating renewed energy around family planning, building on the efforts of the vibrant sexual and reproductive health community. **An estimated \$5 billion was pledged** to increase access to sexual and reproductive health services, which was a huge step in the right direction! However, we also stress that more does need to be done, and that current commitments do not address the funding crisis facing global family planning programmes. **If the world is to meet the target to extend contraceptive access to 120 million additional women and girls by 2020, European leadership and European funding will be crucial.**

[CLICK HERE TO READ A FULL ANALYSIS OF OUR PARTICIPATION AT THE FAMILY PLANNING SUMMIT!](#)

In follow-up to the excitement of the Summit, our partner, Plan International UK co-hosted 'The Morning After – Turning 2017 Family Planning Summit Commitments into Comprehensive Action on SRHR'. As the main civil society forum attached to the Summit, it was a chance for those not at the official summit to reflect and share their thoughts. [Click here to read the key outcomes!](#)



#BECAUSESHECOUNTS

Investing in family planning is the only way women and girls can have the freedom to create their own futures. We are calling on governments and decision-makers everywhere to put women and girls at the top of the agenda with our #BecauseSheCounts campaign! Check out the Storify from our campaign launch [here](#).

TIME IS RUNNING OUT



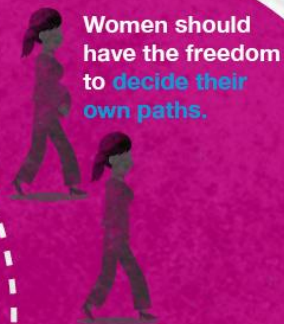
214 million
women want to avoid a pregnancy but have no access to contraception.



That's everyone in the **UK, Ireland, Germany and France** being pregnant at the same time!



The world's poorest women and girls will be forced to pay **\$700 million** because they're denied free contraceptive care.



Women should have the freedom to **decide their own paths.**

The countdown to full access to family planning services by 2020 starts now! #BecauseSheCounts

[CLICK HERE TO READ MORE ABOUT OUR 'BECAUSE SHE COUNTS' CAMPAIGN!](#)



Countdown 2030 Europe are advocates for universal access to reproductive health in the developing world, working in 12 European countries and with the EU institutions to ensure funding and policy commitments for family planning and reproductive health in Europe and around the world. Visit our [website](#) for up-to-date information about related policies in European countries and the EU, as well as data about their funding commitments. We are also part of [Joining Voices](#), a global advocacy project that aims to tackle the unmet need for family planning.

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