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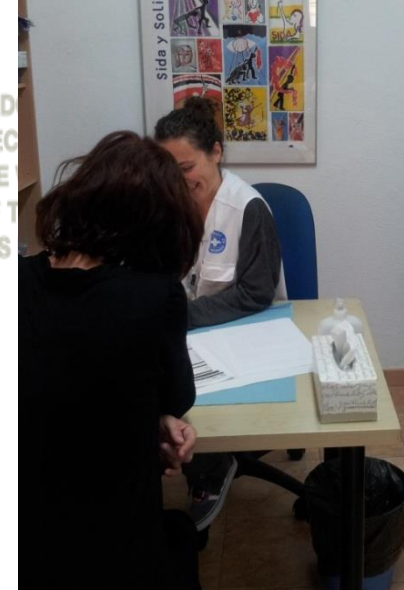
The challenge of visibility

Doctors of the World International Network. Frank Vanbiervliet
Médicos del Mundo España. Cristina Torró – CSF July 2015



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MdM – who we are & what we do



- an independent international movement
- working in 78 countries, home and abroad
- fighting for universal access to healthcare

→ delivery of medical & social services – data collection on persons out of official statistics – social change through empowerment & advocacy on people facing multiple vulnerability factors

- **multidisciplinary centres** and **mobile units**: e.g. harm reduction programme for sex workers or drug users, including rapid HIV testing when possible
- **professional volunteers** (nurses, doctors, social workers etc.) + peer educators



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Some Data



- ✓ Women are not a population group, but half of population
- ✓ Globally, **50% PLH** are women.
- ✓ The number of women newly infected in Europe **almost doubled** between 2004 - 2013.
- ✓ **63% new diagnoses in women are migrants**, vs 30% in men (Europe, 2007-2012)
- ✓ The incidence among **girls & young women** is raising, especially in Eastern Europe.
- ✓ Estimated **19% of Transgender women** to be living with HIV.
- ✓ Women who **inject drugs** have a 50% higher prevalence of HIV than their male peers.

Women have **higher biological vulnerability** (2.5 times more likely to be infected than men in heterosexual relations), increased by economic, social & cultural discrimination in our sexist society.



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HIV prevalence by age and sex in South Africa, 2012

The Lancet Commission

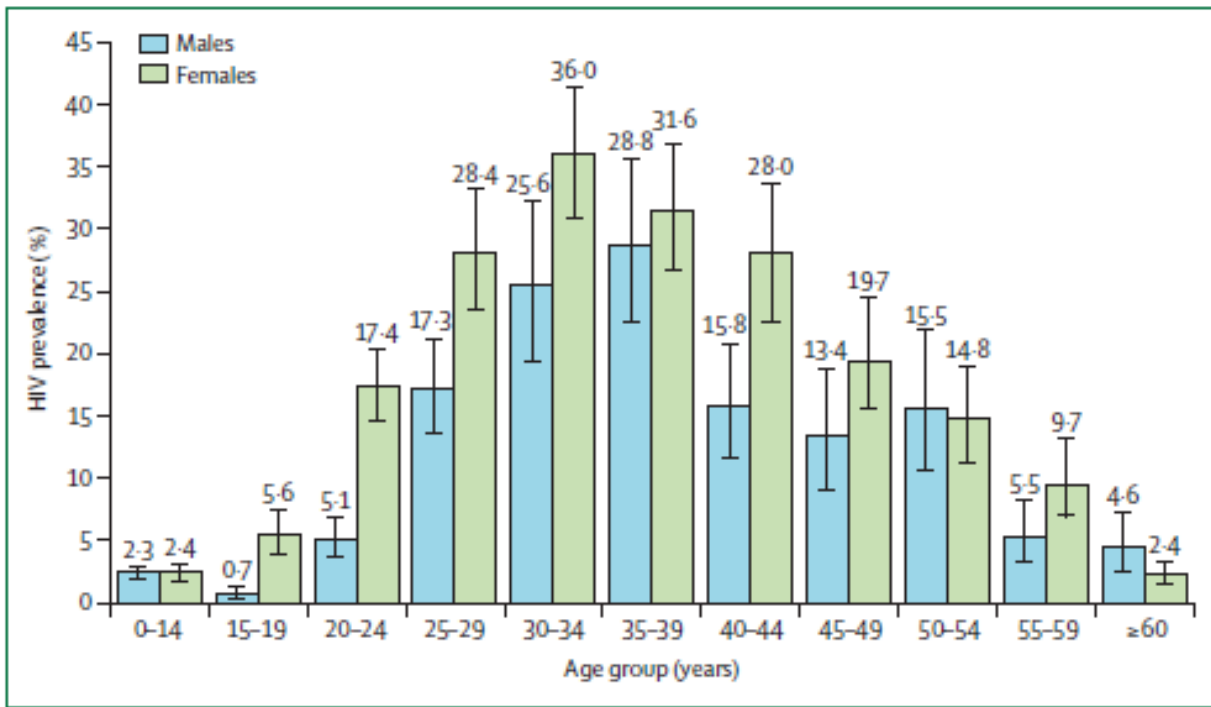


Figure 5: HIV prevalence by age and sex in South Africa, 2012
Source: South African national HIV Prevalence, Incidence and Behaviour Survey, 2012.²⁸

“This epidemic unfortunately remains an epidemic of women.”

- Michel Sidibé, Executive Director of UNAIDS



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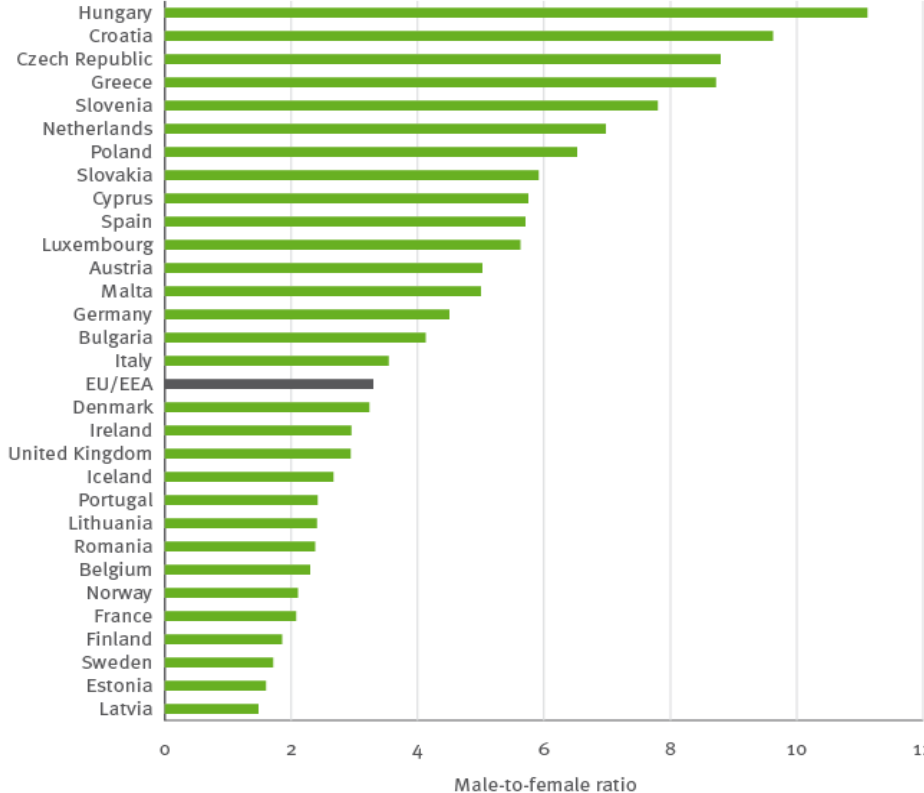
Male-to-female ratio, new HIV diagnoses EU/EEA, 2013 (n= 29 086)



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- ✓ **Male-to-female ratio is 3,3** in Europe.
- ✓ In the East, it drops to 1,3; means that **43% of new cases being women.**
- ✓ Male-to-female ratio in heterosexual transmission drops to 0.7, corresponding to **57% of people infected being female.**
- ✓ The ratio in the West is 1.0; 2.0 in the Centre. Thus, **the proportion of women among these cases is highest in the East.**

HIV transmission from males with high risk behaviours to their female partners likely contributes to this epidemic pattern.

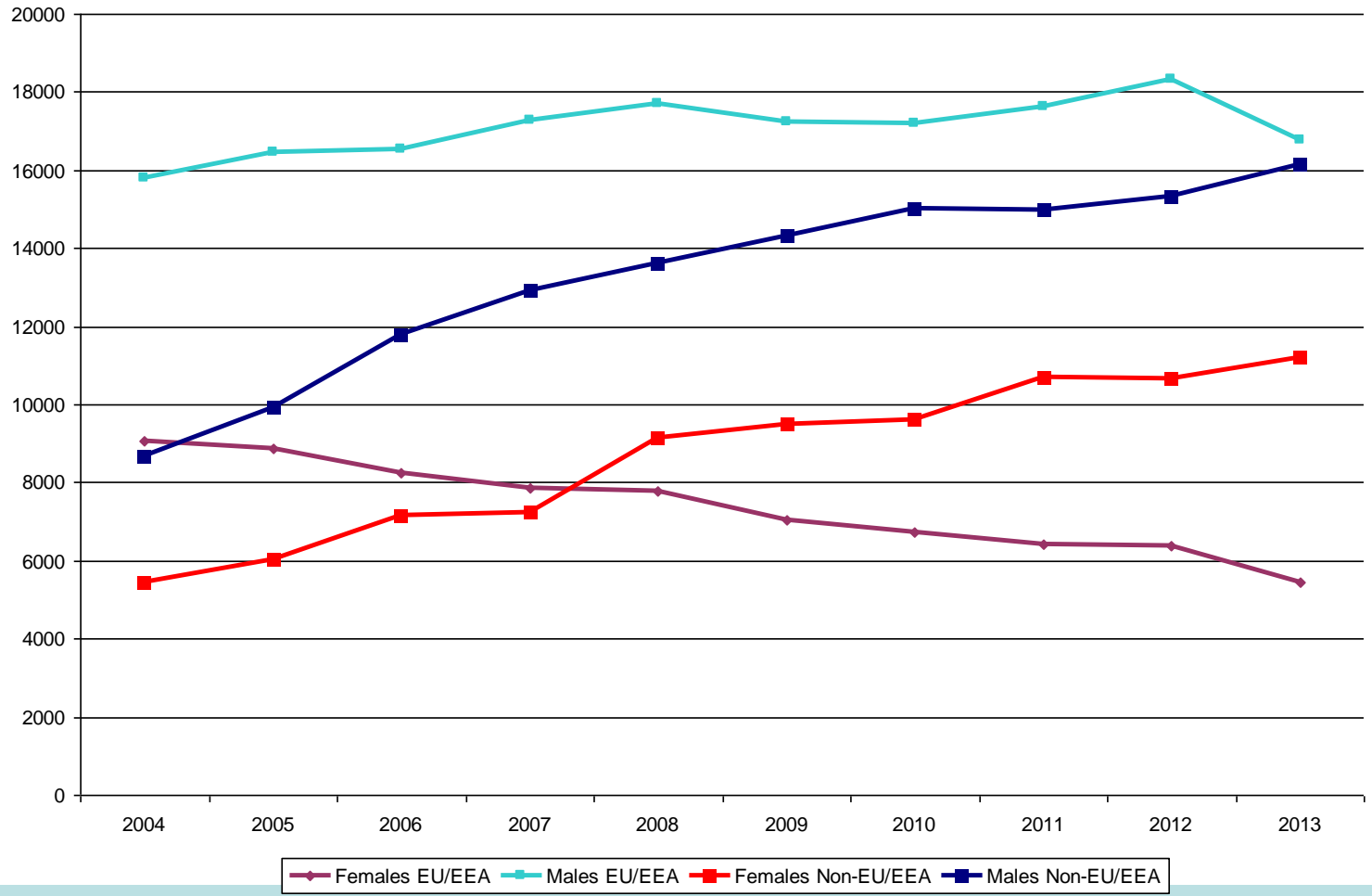




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HIV infection increasing in both sex in East Europe. No disaggregated data on late diagnoses

HIV diagnoses by sex. Europe 2004-2013



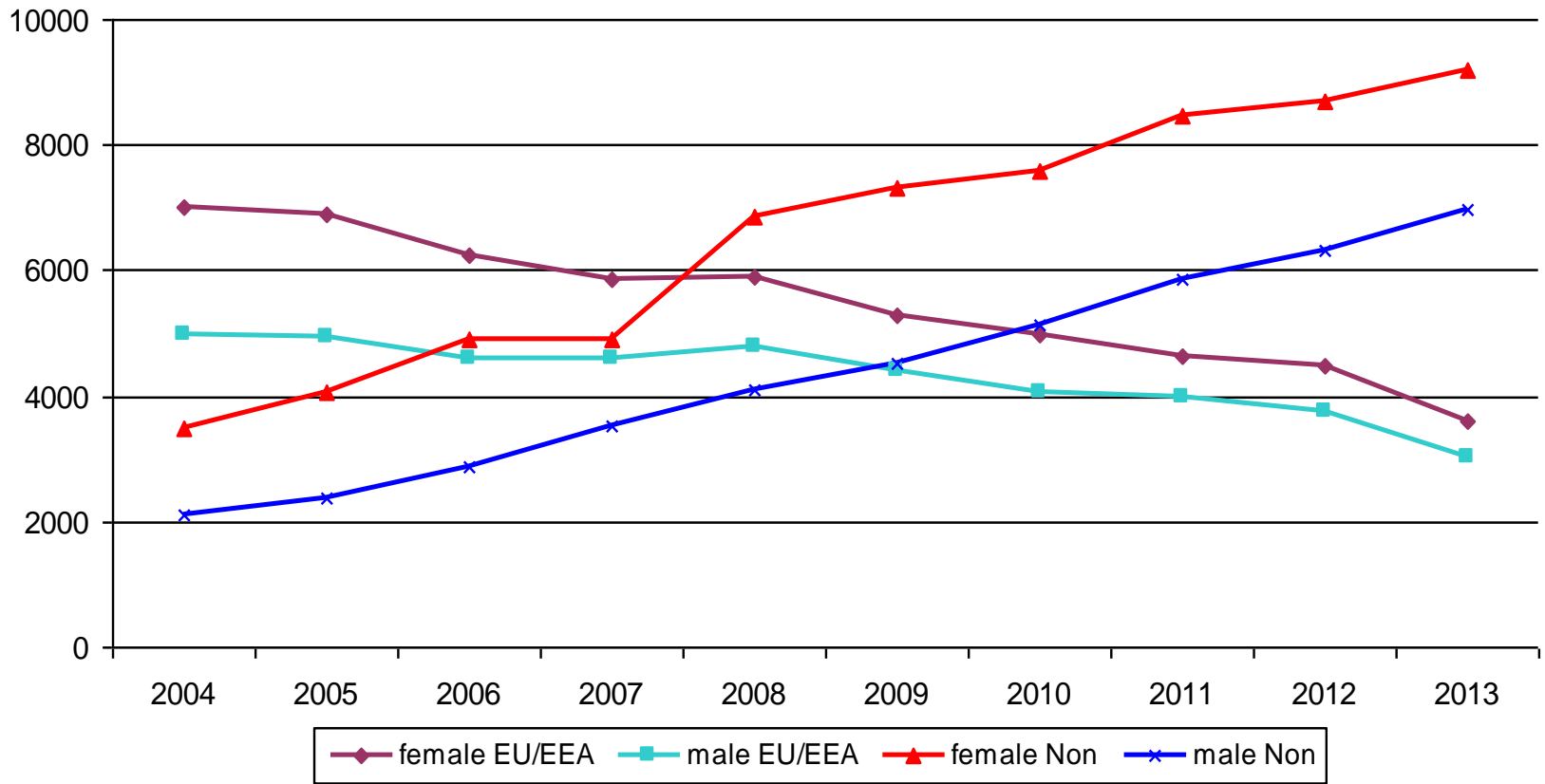


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People infected through heterosexual transmission increasing in the East, notably women,

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HIV diagnoses. Heterosexual contact Europe 2004-2013



* Cases from Russia, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan excluded due to inconsistent reporting during the period; cases from Italy and Spain excluded due to



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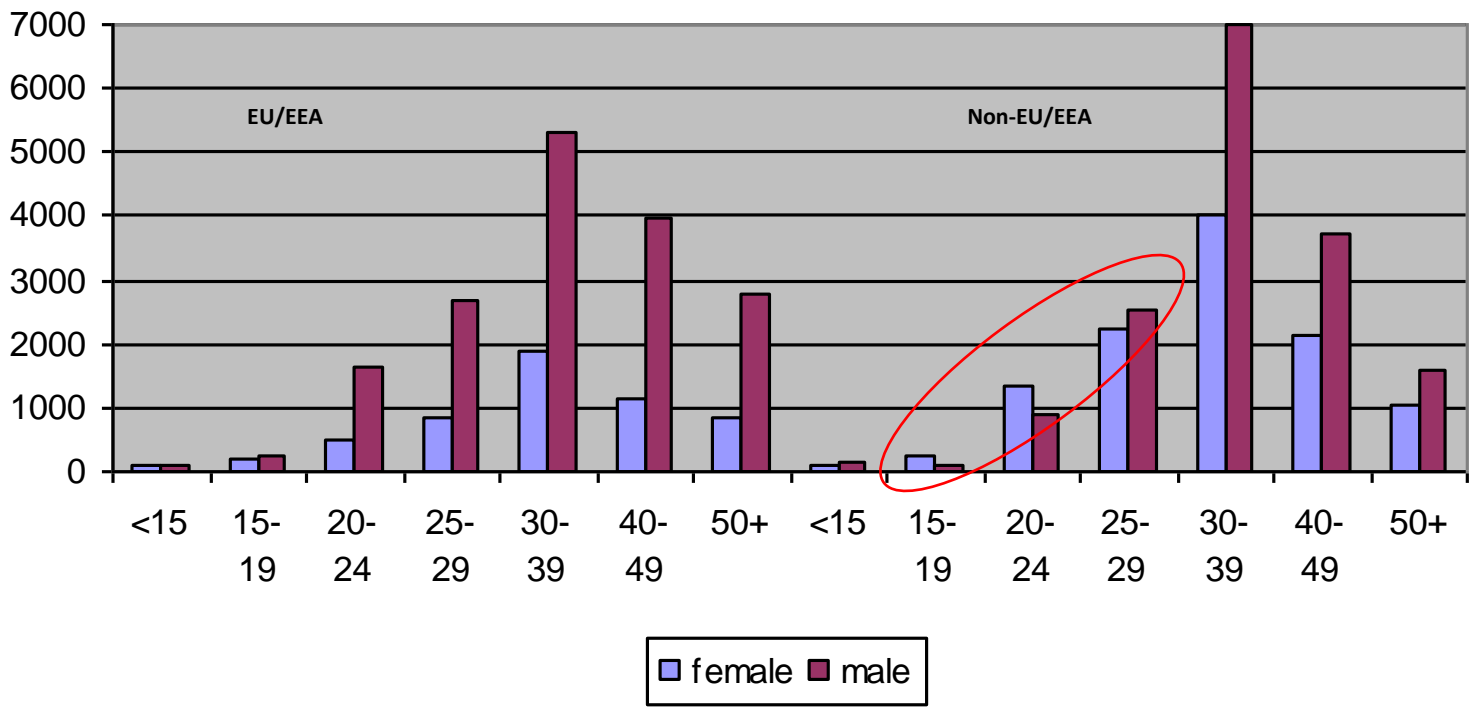
In 2013, two thirds of the 250 000 new HIV infections among adolescents (15-19) worldwide were girls.

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HIV diagnoses by sex and age. Europe 2013



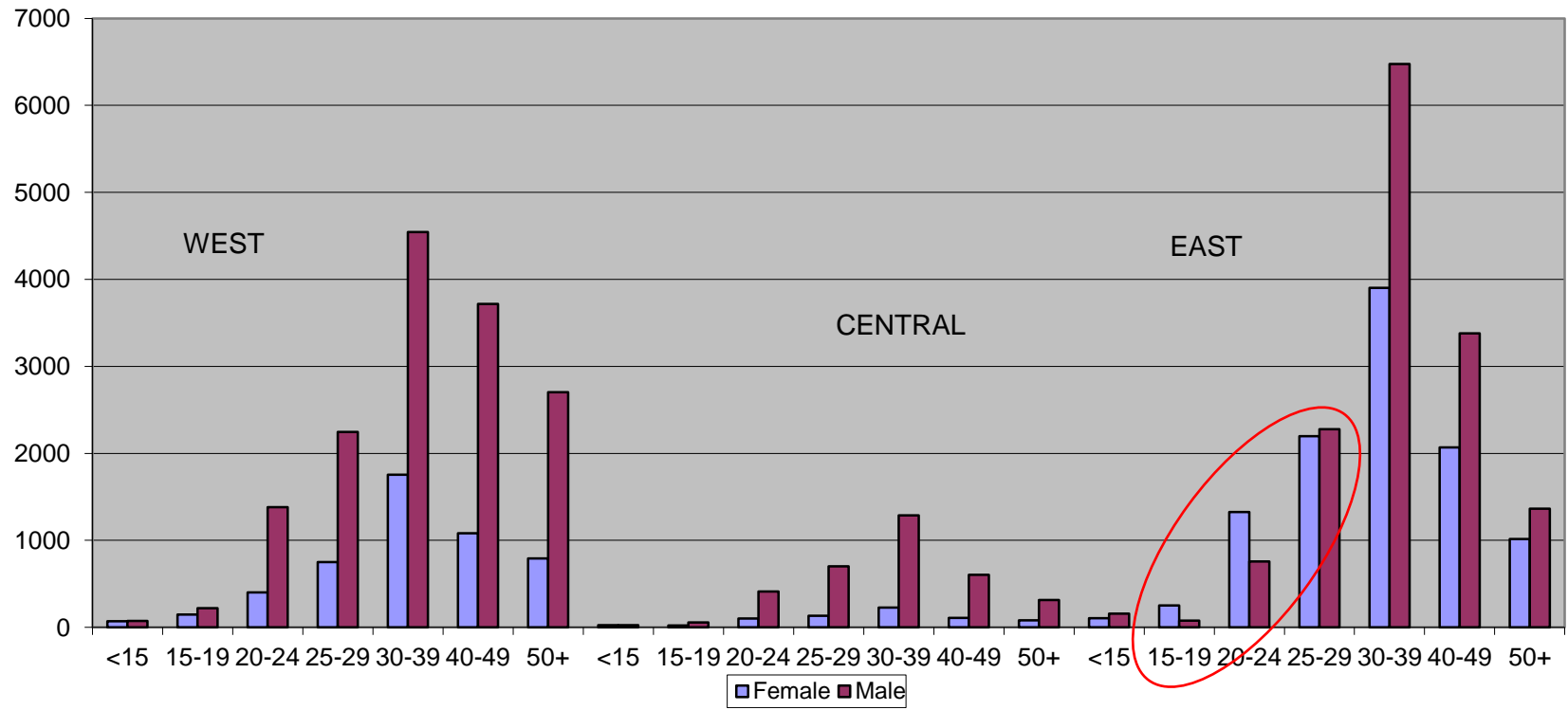


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HIV diagnoses European WHO Region 2013





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PREGNANT MIGRANT WOMEN (2014 MdM survey)

- 54% had no access to antenatal care
- Among them, 58% came too late (after 12th week)
- 50% did know their HIV status and **14.3% were HIV+**
- 67% wished to be screened. Among them, 34.3% didn't know where to go for testing
- 81.1% had no health coverage
- 89.2% lived below the poverty line
- 55.3% were living in temporary accommodation and 8.1% were homeless

22,171 patients seen in nine European countries; 41,238 consultations.

43% women. 63% no healthcare coverage.

91% were living below the poverty line. Only 3% had migrated for health reasons.

52% of those without permission to reside, said they restricted movements for fear

→ unsafe to take a test, unsafe to collect test results.



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MdM PROSTITUTION PROGRAMS (SPAIN)

→ 91% are women, 88 nationalities

- » Major vulnerabilities due to differences in language and culture and their irregular status, social integration difficulties, fear to be arrested and deported, coercion, violence and dependence on mafias, etc.
- » Most of them exert in local or sex clubs, often located in remote areas.

Isolation + stigmatization = higher vulnerability.

- » # of women with drug dependence has declined significantly where substitution programs are working efficiently.

Isolation + stigmatization + drug use = highest vulnerability.

- » **Risk of HIV infection among sex workers varies widely across Europe. HIV is not more prevalent in these groups, with two exceptions: women who are also injecting drug users and migrants from countries where HIV is endemic.**

VIOLENCE is the real problem: much higher against these women.



Violence increases VULNERABILITY

Recognize and address the links between Violence against women and HIV must be integral part of an HIV/AIDS response, as

- Violence prevents many women from negotiating safe sex,
- Fear of violence is a barrier to disclosure of HIV status or an outcome of it.

A recent review found that **women who have experienced intimate partner violence are 50% more likely to be living with HIV.** (Global report: UNAIDS report on the global AIDS epidemic 2013)

Female Genital Mutilation may play a significant role in the transmission of HIV infection among girls through several mixed mechanisms:

- repetitive use of the same equipment on 15-20 girls,
- bleeding vaginal intercourses,
- anal intercourses to avoid dyspareunia,
- gynaecological/obstetrical practices during pregnancy and delivery.



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Abstract

Three decades after the beginning of HIV surveillance in Europe, HIV infection in the Region. In 2013, more than 29 000 new cases were diagnosed in European Union countries in every 100 000 people. This report, prepared jointly with the WHO Regional Office for Europe, covers the whole European Region, including the EU and EEA countries.

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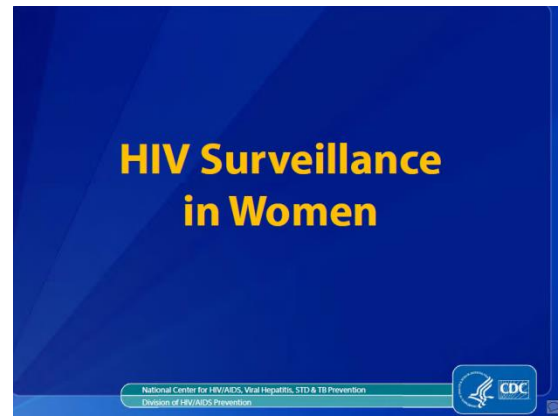
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Gender dynamics may become evident through **sex- and age-disaggregated epidemiological data**.

Great efforts has been done during last years to make women visible in HIV epidemics and policies through disaggregated data and specific guidelines.

A SPECIFIC ECDC REPORT ON WOMEN COULD BE AN ASSET



<http://www.cdc.gov>

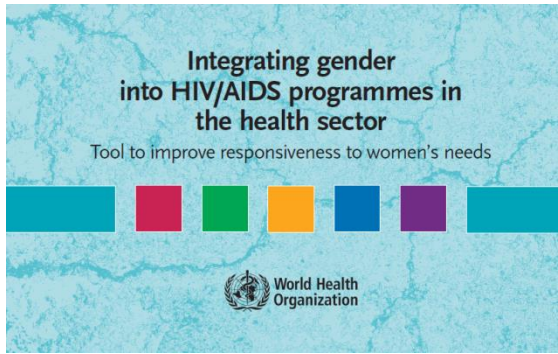


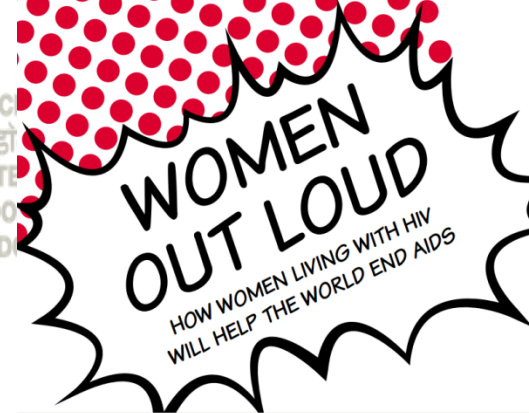
Many women do not consider themselves at risk if they have had only one partner. Thus, married women need tailored messages.

Many women detect their status during pregnancy, where the antenatal screening is available.

Preventive programs on heterosexual transmission are mainly focused in male condom. Much less in female condom or dental dam (for cunnilingus), diverse women sex habits or new patterns of unsafe sex (i.e. dry sex).

ARE WE REALLY ADDRESSING WOMEN NEEDS ON OUR WORK?





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« Almost 30 years since the onset of the HIV epidemic, there has been a failure to meaningfully engage women living with HIV as leaders in prevention efforts »

JANE BRUNING, ELISHA (RINA) KOR, ANNAH SITHEMBINKOSI SANGO

Women are still less visible in HIV civil society movements than men.

THUS, **WE NEED WOMEN LOOKS**, IN ORDER TO CHANGE STEREOTYPES AND ADDRESS WOMEN PROBLEMS IN HIV EPIDEMICS.

ARE THERE WOMEN ACTIVISTS IN OUR ORGANIZATIONS? ARE THEY IN THE BOARD?

HIV movement are mainly supported by men. That's why HIV policies are mainly men-focused.

WE ALSO NEED MEN TO PUSH ACTIONS FOR WOMEN EMPOWERMENT & VISIBILITY



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A UNAIDS–Lancet Commission on Defeating AIDS Advancing Global Health: World must drastically accelerate AIDS efforts

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CSF has a major challenge in empowering WLH and promoting their participation in civil society movements.

FOUR PROPOSALS

- 1.- ECDC Technical Report on HIV & Women
- 2.- Survey on gender perspective in civil society work
- 3.- Bring Women Activists Voices to CSF
- 4.- Work on 'first person' women engagement

TO BE MONITORED...





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