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64th Session of Commission for Social Development (CSocD64) Virtual Side Event

Date: 04/February/ 2026; Time: 10am – 11:15 am (EST, New York time)

Developing Inclusive Societies and International Platform

Speakers' List / Meet the Speakers / Agenda

1. **Dr. Rita Luthra, MD**

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Our Brief History:

http://www.womenshealthsection.com/content/documents/Our_Brief_History.pdf

Welcome, Introduction, Moderator and WHEC Statement

From the World Health Organization (WHO)

2. **Dr. Ritu Sadana**

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Intergenerational activities as a key principle to ensure women's health across the life course

4. Dr. Vanessa De Rubeis, PhD, MPH, BSc

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Aligning health and education systems to support people's physical and cognitive capacities: research findings from WHO's life course network.

From India (UN, WHO and UNESCO Member State)

5. Dr. Manisha Jhavar

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*Teen Pregnancy in Gujarat & Rajasthan (India)
Challenges, Consequences and Corrective Strategies*

6. Dr. Sushil K. Gupta, MBBS, PGDMLS, LLB

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Law as a Public Health Vaccine: Legal Preparedness for Future Health Emergencies

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Open Science – As Open As Possible

UN-NGO Statement (2 minutes)

- **Dr. Dawna K. Jenne;**

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Degrees of Change: Educating Girls, Women and Migrants

Agenda

10:00 to 10:15 am

Dr. Rita Luthra, Welcome and Introduction, WHEC Statement

10:15 to 10:40 am

World Health Organization (WHO)
Dr. Ritu Sadana, Dr. Chandni M. Jacob, Dr. Vanessa de Rubeis

10:40 to 10:55 am

Dr. Manisha Jhavar, Teen pregnancy and corrective Strategies

10:55 to 11:05 am

Dr. Sushil Gupta, Law as a Public Health Vaccine...

11:05 to 11:15 am

Michael J. Capozza, Esq., Open Science

UN – NGO Statement (2 minutes)

NGO Representative of WHEC at the UN, New York,
Dawna Jenne

Q & A – Please contact the Speakers directly; their contact details are listed above.

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WHEC is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. CSocD64 Side Event on 4 February 2026, from 10 am to 11:15 am (EST, New York time), title: Developing Inclusive Societies and Integrational Platform. The session will start promptly at 10 am (EST, New York time). Please join us few minutes early to get settled in.

Thank you.

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