

The United Nations presents

Who's Gonna Love Me Now?

A film by Tomer Heymann and Barak Heymann

The screening will be followed by a panel discussion with:



BARAK HEYMANN

Barak Heymann was born in 1976 in Yedidia Village in the north of Israel. He has been directing and producing documentaries for TV and cinema for more than a decade. Barak's and his brother Tomer's independent film company (Heymann Brothers Films) has produced over 20 documentaries, some as international co-productions. Their films were premiered in numerous festivals worldwide, such as Berlinale, IDFA and Hotdocs and won prestigious awards. Barak teaches in several films schools in Israel and is currently engaged in a number of ongoing projects.



KARL CRABBÉ

Karl Crabbé is a social worker at the Brussels public transport company STIB. He developed an interest in social communication and social work through volunteering and was trained as a mediator at Mediv (Mediation Instituut Vlaanderen) with Diana Evers. He volunteers for Sensoa, a sexual health center in Flanders (Belgium). Based on target groups, Sensoa delivers its work in different areas including limiting the impact of HIV and STDs on the sexual health of gay men, and promoting the integration of people living with HIV. He is a member of the Brussels LGBT choir.



IVAN HERMANS

Ivan Hermans has been working in development since the late eighties. He was trained as a human scientist and a public health expert at the Vrije Universiteit Brussels and the Université Libre de Bruxelles. He worked for the Belgian Development Cooperation, the Pan American Health Organization and the European Commission in Suriname and Kenya, for UNAIDS in Rwanda, Burundi and Southern Africa, for the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) in Guinea. Now he is a senior advisor in the UNFPA Brussels Office.



The panel will be moderated by CARLOS JIMÉNEZ RENJIFO

Carlos Jiménez Renjifo is the Desk Officer for Spain and Andorra at the United Nations Regional Information Centre in Brussels. Mr. Jimenez started his career at the United Nations in 1984 and has since worked at UN offices in New York, Madrid and Geneva. He studied journalism at the School of Communications of American University in Washington and was a correspondent at EFE, Spanish News Agency.

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Hands up for #HIVprevention

HIV prevention goes beyond access to services – it's about more inclusive societies

Statement by Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, Executive Director of UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, on World AIDS Day, 1 December 2016

It is past time to get serious about HIV prevention. We cannot hope to end the AIDS epidemic when every day almost 6,000 people are infected with HIV. Progress on prevention has stagnated. Since 2010, the annual number of new infections among adults has remained unchanged.

Antiretroviral treatment has reached more than 18 million people in 2016 and has saved millions of lives and reduced the risk of new infections. But treatment alone cannot stop the spread of HIV.

We know what to do, and we know how to do it better: governments, communities and international partners must scale up investments in behavioural, medical and policy interventions, which together can dramatically bolster prevention. Access to quality, rights-based sexual and reproductive health information and services, including condoms, is critical.



But prevention goes beyond access to services. It must include actions that reduce risk among vulnerable populations, such as adolescent girls. A girl who is protected from child marriage, has access to comprehensive sexuality education and is empowered to finish her education is at less risk of HIV infection. This contrasts with a girl who is forced to partner with an older man, who is kept out of school and remains poor and has no access to information about her body. Actions that lead to more inclusive societies can reinforce prevention efforts by eliminating the fear some groups may experience in seeking prevention services.

Through the Sustainable Development Goals, the international community committed to ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030. This target will be reached only with a concerted and strengthened focus on prevention. On this World AIDS Day, UNFPA commits to mobilizing partners and resources for a global scale-up of comprehensive prevention efforts in 2017.
