

Study Group 1

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UNAIDS:

- **universal access** – expanding services, involving the community and ensuring key populations are served (within and outside health systems)
- **advocacy and policy dialogue:** "H8", Int'l Health Partnership, universal access country consultations
- **direct technical assistance** – WHO, UNICEF, World Bank

Discussion Q1 b)

OTHER INITIATIVES:

- **Technical working groups at country level**
- **faith communities** – care and support programmes
- **"access to medicines" initiatives:** TRIPs flexibilities, generic production
- **Millennium Development Goals**
- **Global Fund** – health systems strengthening (?)

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Discussion Q2

- **wide range of actors** – need to include the major civil society orgs (e.g. ICASO, GNP+, ICW), as well as foundations, technical support agencies
- **relations vary from country to country** – there may be global agreements/MoU, but individuals and political environment play an important role at country level
- **what is the UNAIDS role?** What competencies? What responsibility for the *content* of cooperation (i.e. technical standards)?

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Discussion Q3

- **if truly "delivering as one", then no need** – however, would need to define the content of "aid effectiveness" and what is being delivered on AIDS (...and in each country)
- **need to understand changing needs over time** – how are key populations being affected by the epidemic, what pieces need to come together (globally/country level) to respond?
- **advocacy and support to civil society participation** – important role in ensuring those most affected by HIV are heard