

Child Marriage and Youth Empowerment Workshop  
**Engaging Men & Boys in Preventing Child Marriage:  
Bridging Research and Practice**



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**DATE:** April 9th, 2019

**TIME:** 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

**LOCATION:** UC Berkeley, Barrows Hall: 8th floor

Lunch will be served - please RSVP

Please join us on Tuesday, April 9th from 9-2pm for the i4Y Child Marriage and Youth Empowerment workshop: **Engaging Men & Boys in Preventing Child Marriage: Bridging Research and Practice**. We will be addressing ways to bridge the gap between university research and practice around the role of masculinity and the need to engage men in the global efforts to end child marriage. The half day workshop will include key speakers from the field presenting on programs that include masculinity/men in child marriage prevention followed by in-depth discussion on possible joint efforts to address research gaps. *Please RSVP with [elleford@berkeley.edu](mailto:elleford@berkeley.edu).*

Organized by Innovations for Youth (i4Y) in partnership with the Bixby Center at UC Berkeley, UC Berkeley Social Science Matrix, GreeneWorks, the UC Berkeley Maternal Child and Adolescent Health program, and The Center of Expertise on Women's Health and Empowerment at UC Global Health Institute.

## Featured Speakers

### Margaret Greene

#### *Engaging Men and Boys to Accelerate the End of Child Marriage*

Margaret Greene has worked for over twenty years on the social and cultural determinants of health, development policy and gender. She is widely known for her research and advocacy on the conditions faced by adolescents and by women in poor countries and on engaging men and boys for gender equality. She has worked extensively in recent years to call global attention to child marriage and to highlight its linkages with education, health, human rights and other dimensions of girls' wellbeing, as well as to highlight how programs and policies can work to end the practice. Dr. Greene heads up her own consulting business, GreeneWorks, which focuses on social change for health and development, and she is a board member of Promundo, a leading civil society organization working with men and boys for gender equality. She has a PhD in Demography from the University of Pennsylvania, and a BA in Linguistics from Yale University.



### Giovanna Lauro (video conference)

#### *Engaging Men and Boys to End the Practice of Child Marriage: Evidence from Brazil*



Giovanna Lauro, DPhil is the Vice President of Programs and Research at Promundo. She has worked for more than a decade on the promotion of adolescents' sexual and reproductive health and rights through gender-transformative approaches. Her areas of focus include research and programs targeting the prevention of harmful traditional practices and the engagement of men and boys in the prevention of gender-based violence. Prior to joining Promundo, Giovanna worked at the United Nations Foundation as Associate Director of the Women and Population

Programme. She also worked on issues of diversity, race, and ethnicity at the London School of Economics, and researched harmful traditional practices among minority communities in several European countries at the University of Oxford, where she attained her DPhil in Political Science. Her previous degrees include a Master's degree from the Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies with a focus on Public Health, and a BA from the University of Bologna.

## Featured Speakers

### Esther Spindler

***Marital Aspirations and Realities in Niger: Learnings from a Study Inspired by the International Men and Gender Equality Survey (IMAGES)***



Esther brings ten years of applied research experience in sexual and reproductive health and gender-based violence. At Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health, Esther is pursuing a DrPH in Population and Family Health and is Director of the Structural Determinants and Social Transitions among Adolescents and Young Adults in Rakai, Uganda (SSTAR) Project. Esther has collaborated on a number of International Men and Gender Equality Surveys (IMAGES) with Promundo-US and previously worked as a Research Officer at Georgetown University's Institute for Reproductive Health (IRH), where she led intimate partner violence, family planning and couples counseling studies in Uganda, Jordan and Togo. Esther got her start as a Peace Corps Volunteer in Guatemala and is fluent in French, Spanish and Portuguese. She is passionate about bridging research to practice, and is currently exploring doctoral

research to better understand how social norms, economic structures and institutions affect family formation behaviors among young adults in Uganda.

### Diana Wu

***Starting with the self: CARE Tipping Point project's approach to engaging masculinities, equity and adolescent rights***

Diana is senior gender program advisor at CARE USA. Over the last 10 years, she has taken on diverse roles to promote gendered program quality and learning through training, gender analysis, programmatic gender integration support, evaluative research and documentation/knowledge sharing. Her work has engaged a breadth of topics at the intersection of gender and social norms change, violence, economic justice, education, emergencies, sexual and reproductive health rights, and masculinities.



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**Workshop Agenda**

- 9:00-9:15 am
  - **Arrival & Sign In**
- 9:15-9:30 am
  - **Welcome/Introductions**
- 9:30-11:30 am
  - Greenetworks: **Margarete Greene** (15 minutes)
    - Title: *Engaging Men and Boys to Accelerate the End of Child Marriage: Overview, Research Gaps, Programmatic Approaches, & Resources*
  - Promundo: **Giovanna Lauro** (30 minutes)
    - Title: *Engaging Men and Boys to End the Practice of Child Marriage: Evidence from Brazil*
  - SSTAR Project: **Esther Spindler** (30 minutes)
    - Title: *Marital Aspirations and Realities in Niger: Learnings from a Study Inspired by the International Men and Gender Equality Survey (IMAGES)*
  - CARE: **Diana Wu** (30 minutes)
    - Title: *Starting with the self: CARE Tipping Point project's approach to engaging masculinities, equity and adolescent rights*
  - Moderator summary (15 minutes)
- 11:30-12:00 pm **Lunch**
- 12:00-1:45 **Small Group Discussion**
  - 1:45-2:00 **Closing Remarks**

