

Dr Sania Nishtar to chair a UN international accountability panel

February 16, 2016: We are pleased to announce that our President, Dr. Sania Nishtar has been selected to chair the UN Secretary-General's Independent Accountability Panel (IAP), which is part of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health, launched in September last year to help further the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Agenda. The strategy builds on 15 years of progress under the Millennium Development Goals and is the most influential global movement today, on women, children and adolescents' health. Since the new framework of the SDGs now demands results and real action, "accountability" is the pulse of the any new SDGs' linked initiative. It is here that the Independent Accountability Panel assumes great importance as it is mandated and "empowered to command attention from the global community" and to "to monitor, review and act" in the interest of women, children and adolescents' health, globally. Other members of the IAP include Alicia Eli Yamin (Harvard University, USA) Jaime Sepulveda (Mexico), Carmen Barroso (Brazil), Pali Lehohla (South Africa), Elizabeth Mason (UK), Vinod K. Paul (India), Giorgi Pkhakadze (Ukraine), and Dakshitha Wickremarathne (Sri Lanka).

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