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**Country Support Program Activities**
**Expanded Constituency Workshops**

**February 17-19**
Southern Africa: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe
*Windhoek, Namibia*

**March 3-5**
Mesoamerica + Venezuela: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Venezuela
*Managua, Nicaragua*

**March 17-19**
Asia: Cambodia, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Myanmar, Thailand, Vietnam + Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Maldives, Nepal, Sri Lanka + China
*Colombo, Sri Lanka*

**April 14-16**
South America: Argentina, Bolivia, Chile, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay + Brazil, Colombia, Ecuador
*Asuncion, Paraguay*

**April 21-23**
Sahel West Africa: Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Chad, Guinea-Bissau, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Senegal, The Gambia
*Cabo Verde (location TBD)*

**May 19-21**
Central Africa: Burundi, Cameroon, Central African Republic, Congo, Congo DR, Equatorial Guinea, Gabon, Sao Tome and Principe
*Libreville, Gabon*

**June 23-25**
Eastern Europe: Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Georgia, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Poland, Romania, Serbia, Ukraine.
*Tbilisi, Georgia*

**National Dialogues**

**February 10-12**
Indonesia
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**February 12-13**
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