



#### IPA Zambia and Varkey Foundation Co-Present on MGCubed



IPA Zambia Policy Associate Nampaka Nkumbula (left) presenting at the event to the First Lady of the Republic of Zambia, RAIN Chagapson, and Minister of General Education.

Innovations for Poverty Action Zambia co-presented with the Varkey Foundation on August 23-24 in Lusaka. The theme of the event, the Forum for African Woman Educationalists (FAWE) at the 10th General Assembly, was "Towards Gender Equality in Education, Positioning Youth to Champion Africa's Education Agenda." This high-level conference was attended by The First Lady of the Republic of Zambia (pictured above), Ministers of Education from the region, and international and local NGOs.

Leonora Dowley, Country Director of Varkey Foundation Ghana, and Nampaka Nkumbula, IPA Zambia Policy Associate, presented evidence from the study "[Making Ghanaian Girls Great!](#)" and participated in a lively panel discussion on innovations and programmes that are successfully addressing second generation obstacles to girls' education and contributing to gender equality.

During parallel sessions, IPA Zambia also exhibited with the Ministry of General Education on the [Girls' Empowerment](#) programme and other evidence on empowering girls.

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#### IPA Zambia Co-Hosts Event on Interpersonal Communication to Encourage Use of Female Condoms in Zambia



Lead researcher Thasitgo during the presentation.

On November 7, 2017, Innovations for Poverty Action Zambia and Society for Family Health (SFH) co-hosted a dissemination meeting of initial findings from the study [An impact evaluation of the introduction of a new Women's Condom on Overall Condom Use in Urban Lusaka, Zambia](#), conducted by Thasitgo and Jessie Pinchoff from Population Council, and Rachna Nag Chowdhuri from the World Bank. The event was

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IPA Zambia is pleased to share its final bulletin from 2017. This bulletin features updates from our Saving for Safe Delivery study and the scale-ups of the [food constraints](#) and [Catch Up](#) projects. This bulletin also highlights IPA Zambia's dissemination events for the ["Making Ghanaian Girls Great!"](#) and ["Interpersonal Communication to Encourage Use of Female Condoms in Zambia"](#) studies.

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