



**Conference 2008**  
**Cape Town, South Africa**  
17-19 April 2008

**Objectives**

1. To deliver on the commitment by international organizations to conduct periodic reviews on the global progress towards the achievement of high and equitable coverage with essential maternal, newborn and child survival interventions in countries;
2. To launch an international report with the purpose of sharing the findings on barriers and solutions for better policy and programmatic interventions;
3. To foster global awareness for policy advocacy and resource mobilization for MDGs 4 and 5.

**Note:** The Countdown 2008 Conference took place in conjunction with the 118th Assembly of the Inter-Parliamentary Union that was organized in Cape Town, South Africa on 13-18 April 2008.