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STATUS OF WOMEN HELD IN NEW YORK, USA  
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## PREFACE

Hon. Speaker,

1. The United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is the principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women. Established in June 1946 as a functional Commission of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), the CSW plays a pivotal role in promoting women's and girls' rights, documenting the realities of their lives worldwide, and shaping global standards on gender equality and empowerment.
2. The Commission convenes annually for a two-week session at the United Nations Headquarters in New York, bringing together representatives of UN Member States, civil society organizations, non-governmental organizations (NGOs), the media, and UN entities in consultative status with ECOSOC. The sessions provide a platform to review progress, identify gaps, and agree on concrete actions to accelerate the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and other international commitments on gender equality.
3. The 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) was held from 10<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York. This session was of historic significance as it marked the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the 1995 Fourth World Conference on Women and the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (Beijing+30). The priority focus was on reviewing and appraising progress made in implementing the Beijing Platform for Action, identifying persistent challenges, and aligning strategies with the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.
4. The CSW69 registered participation from a broad spectrum of stakeholders, including high-level government delegations, UN agencies, regional bodies, and civil society organizations. The programme featured ministerial roundtables, high-level dialogues, expert panels, and over 200 side events on UN premises, complemented by numerous NGO parallel events. The session culminated in the adoption of a Political Declaration reaffirming Member States' commitment to

accelerate the full, effective, and accelerated implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action.

5. Notably, the Government of Kenya hosted a high-level side event entitled “Transforming Women’s Leadership Beyond Numbers to Tangible Outcomes”, focusing on women in leadership and the achievement of Sustainable Development Goal 5 on gender equality.
6. Kenya’s participation was anchored in the Beijing+30 Kenya Country Report, which was incorporated into the Common African Position (CAP) presented at the UN General Assembly during CSW69. The CAP emphasized Africa’s shared priorities, including advancing women’s leadership, strengthening legal and policy frameworks, addressing gender-based violence, and promoting economic empowerment.
7. The National Assembly was represented by a delegation of Members of Parliament and technical staff, nominated following a request from the State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action.
8. The delegation actively participated in official plenary sessions, thematic side events, and bilateral engagements, contributing to the articulation of Kenya’s position and priorities. The National Assembly delegation comprised of the following delegates:

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>
1.	Honourable Dr. Christine Ombaka, MP (Leader of Delegation)
2.	Honourable Betty Maina, MP
3.	Honourable Janet Sitienei, MP
4.	Honourable Lilian Siyoi, MP
5.	Honourable Fatuma Masito, MP
6.	Honourable Edith Nyenze, MP
7.	Honourable Ruweida Obo, MP
8.	Honourable Jane Kagiri, MP
9.	Honourable Umulker Harun, MP

10. Mrs. Serah Kioko, MBS, Deputy Clerk National Assembly
11. Ms. Suzanne Khadambi, Legal Counsel II (Delegation Secretary)

9. The delegation's engagement extended to thematic events on women's access to economic resources, financial literacy, and political participation; cultural and creative advocacy for girls' empowerment; and regional strategies for accelerating gender equality. The outcomes of these engagements will inform the National Assembly's legislative, oversight, and representation functions, particularly in advancing gender-responsive laws and policies.
10. On behalf of the delegation, I wish to express our sincere appreciation to the Speaker of the National Assembly for granting us the privilege to participate in the CSW69 and the Clerk of the National Assembly for facilitating the delegation to participate in this landmark session. The opportunity to contribute to global deliberations on gender equality, to learn from international best practices, and to reaffirm Kenya's commitments under the Beijing Platform for Action was both enriching and impactful.

Hon. Speaker,

11. It is my honour and humble duty to submit the Report of the National Assembly Delegation to the 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women for noting and for action where necessary.



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**HON. DR. CHRISTINE Ombaka, MP**

**LEADER OF DELEGATION**

**DATE: 4/11/2025**  
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## CHAPTER ONE: INTRODUCTION

### 1.0 Background

- 1.0.1 The Commission on The Status of Women (CSW) is the principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to promoting gender equality, women's rights, and women's empowerment. It is a functional commission of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), which was established by ECOSOC resolution 11(II) of 21 June 1946.
- 1.0.2 The CSW is instrumental in promoting women's and girls' rights, documenting the reality of their lives throughout the world, and shaping global standards on gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.
- 1.0.3 In 1996, CSW's mandate was expanded such that it was decided that CSW should take a leading role in monitoring and reviewing progress and problems in the implementation of the *Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action*, and in mainstreaming a gender perspective in UN activities.
- 1.0.4 During the CSW annual two-week session, representatives of UN Member States, civil society organizations and UN entities gather at the UN headquarters in New York to discuss progress and gaps in the implementation of the 1995 Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, as well as emerging issues that affect gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.
- 1.0.5 Member States agree on further actions to accelerate progress and promote women's and girls' enjoyment of their rights in political, economic, and social fields.
- 1.0.6 The outcomes and recommendations of each session are forwarded to ECOSOC for follow-up.

### 1.1 Methods of Work

- 1.1.1 The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) operates through multi-year programmes of work designed to assess progress and formulate actionable recommendations that advance the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. These recommendations are formalised through negotiated agreed conclusions on a designated priority theme. In addition, the Commission plays a strategic role in supporting the follow-up to the 2030 Agenda for

Sustainable Development, with a view to accelerating the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.

1.1.2 In line with its current modalities, each annual session of the Commission includes the following components:

- (a) A high-level ministerial segment that reaffirms political commitment to gender equality and women's empowerment, promotes visibility of the Commission's deliberations, and facilitates experience-sharing through ministerial roundtables and interactive dialogues.
- (b) A general discussion segment that reviews the global status of gender equality, highlights progress made, and identifies persistent gaps and emerging challenges.
- (c) Expert panel discussions and thematic dialogues that explore strategies, innovations, and capacity-building measures to mainstream gender equality across national and international policies and programmes.
- (d) Consideration of a priority theme rooted in the Beijing Platform for Action and the outcomes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Special Session of the General Assembly, with direct linkages to the Sustainable Development Goals.
- (e) A review theme that evaluates progress in implementing agreed conclusions from previous sessions, enabling continuity and accountability.
- (f) Deliberation on emerging issues, trends, and innovative approaches that affect the status of women and girls, including those requiring urgent or timely attention.
- (g) A closed meeting to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications, which addresses submissions from individuals and organisations concerning the status of women globally.
- (h) Adoption of agreed conclusions and resolutions that outline further actions to promote gender equality and women's empowerment.
- (i) Integration of gender perspectives into the work of other intergovernmental bodies and processes, ensuring coherence across the UN system.
- (j) Contribution to the thematic focus of the Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC), particularly on aspects related to gender equality and women's empowerment.
- (k) Commemoration of International Women's Day on 8 March, as a symbolic reaffirmation of global solidarity and commitment

## **1.2 Kenya's Country Position Paper on CSW69**

1.2.1 Kenya prepared a Country Position Paper (CPP) to articulate the Country's position on the CSW69 priority theme. The CPP was adopted during a pre-CSW meeting for the Kenya Government delegation on 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2025 at the Sarova Stanley Hotel in Nairobi.

***Kenya's Position Paper is attached as Annex 1.***

1.2.2 The CPP reaffirms Kenya's commitment to the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The CPP aligns with the Common African Position (CAP) and reflects Kenya's Beijing+30 Country Report.

1.2.3 The strategic focus areas outlined in the CPP are as follows:

**i. Women's Leadership & Political Participation**

To advance inclusive governance, Kenya prioritises the enforcement of the constitutional provision requiring that no more than two-thirds of elective and appointive positions be occupied by one gender. This commitment is complemented by ongoing efforts to strengthen the leadership capacity of women across all levels of government, from national institutions to county assemblies. Additionally, the country seeks to expand women's representation in strategic domains such as peacebuilding, climate governance, and economic decision-making, recognising that transformative leadership must be both numerically equitable and substantively impactful.

**ii. Economic Empowerment**

Kenya continues to pursue structural reforms aimed at enhancing women's access to productive assets, including land, credit, and market opportunities. Scaling up financial inclusion initiatives and enterprise development support remains central to this agenda, particularly for women-led businesses in the informal and micro-enterprise sectors. To institutionalise equity, the government is committed to incorporating gender-responsive budgeting and procurement practices across public finance systems, ensuring that economic policies reflect and respond to the lived realities of women and girls.

**iii. Ending Gender-Based Violence (GBV)**

The elimination of gender-based violence remains a national priority, with the implementation of the National Policy on the Elimination of GBV serving as a guiding framework. Kenya is focused on strengthening survivor-centred services, including prevention programmes, legal aid, psychosocial support, and safe shelter provision. These efforts are supported by legislative reforms and multi-sectoral coordination to ensure that GBV responses are comprehensive, rights-based, and accessible to all survivors.

**iv. Education, Skills & Technology**

To close persistent gender gaps in education and employment, Kenya is investing in initiatives that promote women's and girls' participation in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM), as well as digital literacy. Expanding access to technical and vocational education and training (TVET) is a key strategy for enhancing employability and economic resilience.

Furthermore, the integration of gender perspectives into innovation and ICT policies is essential to ensure that technological advancement contributes to, rather than undermines, gender equality.

**v. Care Economy & Social Protection**

Recognising the disproportionate burden of unpaid care and domestic work borne by women, Kenya is committed to policies that acknowledge, reduce, and redistribute care responsibilities. Extending social protection coverage to women in informal and vulnerable employment sectors is a critical step toward inclusive economic participation. In parallel, workplace policies that promote work-life balance and caregiving support are being prioritised to foster environments where both women and men can thrive professionally and personally.

**1.3 Common African Position on CSW69 (Beijing+30)**

1.3.1 African Ministers responsible for Gender and Women's Affairs, met in Addis Ababa on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024, adopted a bold, forward-looking Common African Position (CAP) to guide the continent's engagement at CSW69. This position reflects the outcomes of the Africa Pre-CSW69 and Beijing+30 Review Ministerial Consultative Meeting, integrating perspectives from youth, civil society organisations, and grassroots women's movements.

1.3.2 The Common African Position (CAP) reaffirms Africa's unwavering commitment to advancing gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls. Central to this commitment is the full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, which remains the continent's foundational framework for addressing systemic gender disparities.

1.3.3 The CAP also emphasises Africa's resolve to accelerate progress under both the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the African Union's Agenda 2063, ensuring that gender equality is embedded across development priorities. In addition, the Position underscores the importance of upholding key continental and international instruments, including the Maputo Protocol and the AU Solemn Declaration on Gender Equality in Africa, as guiding standards for legal and policy reform.

1.3.4 Finally, the CAP places particular emphasis on championing the rights of all women and girls, with a focused commitment to protecting and empowering the girl child across all spheres of life.

*Africa's Position Paper is attached as Annex 2.*

## CHAPTER TWO: DELIBERATIONS AT THE CSW 69

### 2.0 MAIN PROGRAM

2.0.1 The 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) was held at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 10<sup>th</sup> to 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025 under the priority theme:

*“Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcomes of the 23<sup>rd</sup> special session of the General Assembly (Beijing +30).”*

2.0.2 This milestone session marked the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women, serving as a global stock take of progress, persistent gaps, and emerging challenges in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls.

2.0.3 The programme for the CSW 69 was structured to facilitate high-level engagement, thematic exploration, and consensus-building. It commenced with a ministerial segment featuring country statements and regional position papers, reaffirming political commitment to gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls. Throughout the session, interactive dialogues were held on key thematic areas, including gender-based violence, economic empowerment, environmental justice, youth leadership, and the care economy – each aligned with the critical areas of concern outlined in the Beijing Platform for Action.

### 2.1 Ministerial Segment and Country Position Papers

2.1.1 Ministerial Roundtable meetings were held from the 10<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2025. Ministers and Heads of Delegation presented their respective national statements.

2.1.2 Kenya’s position, as articulated in the Beijing +30 Kenya Country Report and incorporated into the Common African Position (CAP) was presented on 10<sup>th</sup> March, 2025.

### 2.2 Interactive Dialogue

2.2.1 Thematic dialogues held during the CSW69 were anchored in the twelve Critical Areas of Concern outlined in the Beijing Platform for Action. These discussions explored inclusive development and decent work, emphasising the need for gender-responsive macroeconomic policies that address wage disparities and enhance women’s access to land, credit, and other productive resources.

2.2.2 Deliberations on gender-based violence highlighted the growing threat of technology-facilitated abuse and underscored the importance of survivor-centred services, legal protections, and the active involvement of men and boys as allies in prevention efforts.

- 2.2.3 Environmental justice and climate action emerged as key themes, with participants advocating for the empowerment of Indigenous women and rural communities to lead biodiversity conservation and climate adaptation initiatives.
- 2.2.4 In the area of youth leadership, delegates called for the dismantling of patriarchal norms, increased financing for gender equality programmes, and the inclusion of young women and girls in decision-making spaces to ensure intergenerational equity and sustained progress.

### **SIDE-EVENTS CO-HOSTED OR ATTENDED BY THE KENYAN DELEGATION**

2.2.5 Kenya's delegation engaged in a diverse range of side events, each offering policy insights, comparative experiences, and advocacy opportunities. The events are grouped thematically for clarity.

*A programme of the side-events is attached as Annex 3*

### **2.3 Social protection, care economy, and family well-being**

#### **2.3.1 Hungary, Serbia, Israel – supporting the mental health of all women and girls (11<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Addressed mental health in crisis contexts, caregiving burdens, and inadequate care systems.
- **Lesson:** Policy must address the whole person—emotional, relational, and physical—within the social fabric.

#### **2.3.2 Ireland – shaping change: women's empowerment within social protection programming (12<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Show-cased integrated social protection models involving women and their families.
- **Lesson:** Economic empowerment must include the family as a key actor; robust data on unpaid care work is essential.

#### **2.3.3 Tanzania – scaling up innovation for reducing and redistributing unpaid care work (18<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Explored innovations, financial inclusion, and education to reduce care burdens.
- **Lesson:** Innovation should ease care work without devaluing it.

#### **2.3.4 Holy See – a singularly important role: motherhood in today's world (18<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Affirmed the enduring social value of motherhood.
- **Lesson:** Supporting mothers strengthens societal structures that enable human flourishing.

**2.3.5 NGO Committee on the Family – commemorating Beijing: those who were there in 1995 (20<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Reflected on the family's role in development.
- **Lesson:** Policies should protect, not replace, the family unit.

**2.4 Protection from violence and harmful practices**

**2.4.1 The Gambia – review progress of Beijing+30: pushback effect of repealing the FGM Ban (12<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Defended the 2015 law banning FGM amid repeal attempts.
- **Lesson:** Legal protections require sustained public engagement and cultural dialogue.

**2.4.2 Holy See & ADF International – bias before birth: sex-selective practices and their consequences (13<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Exposed sex-selective abortion as gender-based violence.
- **Lesson:** Policy must affirm the equal value of all human life.

**2.4.3 Holy See & USCCB – the scourge of pornography in the digital age (19<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Addressed exploitation, addiction, and weak legal protections.
- **Lesson:** Governments must regulate digital platforms to protect dignity, especially of children.

**2.4.4 Malawi & PKN Consortium – what works to prevent violence against women and girls at scale: leveraging local leadership (19<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Highlighted community-driven prevention and justice reform.
- **Lesson:** Prevention is most effective when rooted in local leadership and cultural contexts.

**2.5 Protection from Violence and Harmful Practices**

**2.5.1 Djibouti & Gigi's Playhouse – supporting families and their children with down syndrome (20<sup>th</sup> March, 2025)**

- Advocated for inclusive education and family-centred care.
- **Lesson:** Supporting families raising children with disabilities strengthens society as a whole.

## CHAPTER THREE: POST-CSW69 NATIONAL ACTIONS

### 3.0 Post CSW69 engagement

3.1 On 29<sup>th</sup> May, 2025, the State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action convened a Post CSW69 National Stakeholders Forum at the Sarova Panafric Hotel, Nairobi.

3.2 The purpose of the Forum was to disseminate the outcomes of the 69<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women and to present the State Department's Action Plan for implementation.

#### *The Action Plan is attached as Annex 4*

3.3 In the Action Plan, the State Department recommended the adoption and accelerated implementation of the recommendations of the multi sectoral working group on the realisation of the “**not more than two thirds**” gender principle by Parliament.

3.4 The Action Plan identifies several priority measures within the legislative and oversight mandate of the National Assembly. These include a comprehensive review of the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation Act, 2011, the Protection Against Domestic Violence Act, 2015, and the Sexual Offences Act, 2006 to ensure their continued relevance and alignment with constitutional provisions and international obligations.

3.5 It further calls for an examination of the National Policy on Gender and Development, 2019 and the National Policy on Prevention and Response to Gender Based Violence, 2014, with the objective of strengthening policy coherence, enhancing implementation mechanisms, and improving monitoring frameworks. In addition, the development of a National Affirmative Action Policy and a National Care Policy is proposed to address systemic inequalities and promote inclusive socio-economic participation.

3.6 The Action Plan also urges the adoption and expedited implementation of the recommendations of the multi-sectoral working group on realising the “**not more than two thirds**” gender principle. This would advance compliance with constitutional requirements and reinforce the National Assembly's role in promoting gender equity and inclusive governance.

3.7 Remarks on the outcomes of CSW69 were delivered by the Council of Governors, the National Gender and Equality Commission, the Country Director of UN Women, the Secretary to the Cabinet - Executive Office of the President, and the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Gender, Culture, the Arts and Heritage.

3.8 Commitments for action in relation to the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action were presented by representatives from the Women Enterprise Fund (WEF), the Anti Female Genital Mutilation Board (AFGMB), the National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF), the Judiciary, the Kenya Women Parliamentary Association (KEWOPA), Grassroots Organizations Operating

Together in Sisterhood (GROOTS) Kenya, and the Kenya Private Sector Alliance (KEPSA).

## **CHAPTER FOUR: OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATION**

### **4.0 Observations from the National Assembly Delegation**

4.1 The Delegation observed that:

- The Side events reinforced Kenya's policy priorities on unpaid care work, mental health, GBV prevention, and inclusive social protection.
- Comparative experiences underscored the value of integrating family-centred approaches into gender equality strategies.
- Robust data systems, community-led interventions, and digital regulation to safeguard rights are very important.
- Lessons learned will inform legislative oversight, policy formulation, and Kenya's contributions to the CAP and global advocacy platforms.

### **5.0 Recommendation**

5.1 The Delegation to the 69<sup>th</sup> Session on the Commission of the Status of Women urges the National Assembly to Note this Report.

## **ANNEXES**

**Annex 1- Kenya's Position Paper**

**Annex 2- Africa's Position Paper**

**Annex 3- CSW 69 Side-Events Program**

**Annex 4- CSW 69 Action Plan post CSW69**



## CSW69 Side Event Schedule

NGOs with valid UN grounds passes need not indicate prior interest in attending events unless specified by event sponsors. Side events on UN premises are not ticketed unless they are by invitation only.

Please note that side event organizers may make a limited number of tickets available to guests without UN grounds passes. There will be a specified contact email or RSVP link to request tickets in the schedule below for each respective event.

The events and programmes on this page are the sole responsibility of the side event organizers and do not necessarily reflect the views of the members of the Commission on the Status of Women or of UN Women or the United Nations.

Please check back frequently as times and venues of side events may change.

Thu, 6 March | Sun, 9 March | Mon, 10 March | Tue, 11 March | Wed, 12 March | Thu, 13 March | Fri, 14 March  
Sat, 15 March | Mon, 17 March | Tue, 18 March | Wed, 19 March | Thu, 20 March | Fri, 21 March  
Thu, 27 March |

### Thursday, 6 March 2025

- UNFPA, Global Affairs Canada, Association for Progressive Communications  
**'THIRD GLOBAL SYMPOSIUM ON TECHNOLOGY-FACILITATED GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (TFGBV): INTERSECTIONAL CHALLENGES AND COLLECTIVE ACTION IN A SHIFTING DIGITAL AGE**  
06 Mar - 07 Mar, 09:00 AM - 05:00 PM  
[Registration Link](#)  
UNFPA Orange Cafe  
  
[Agenda](#)  
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### Sunday, 9 March 2025

- UN Women  
**CSW69 GLOBAL YOUTH DIALOGUE: INFLUENCING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION AND BEIJING+30 ACTION AGENDA**  
09 Mar, 02:00 PM - 06:30 PM  
By invitation only  
  
**Contact:** [youth.engage@unwomen.org](mailto:youth.engage@unwomen.org)  
  
[Concept Note \(English\)](#)

### Monday, 10 March 2025

- EU-LAC Foundation & ODI Europe / Walking the Talk & La Coordinadora de ONGs de Desarrollo & Hivos & Sedra & UN WOMEN & UNDP  
**BEIJING+30 TRANSFORMING FINANCIAL ARCHITECTURES FOR GENDER EQUALITY: PATHWAYS TO INCLUSIVE AND PROSPEROUS SOCIETIES IN EUROPE, LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN**  
10 Mar - 12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM  
Virtual attendance registration  
Mission of Mexico to the UN  
  
*Format: face-to-face / hybrid; Language: English and Spanish (with simultaneous translation)*  
  
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- Government of Montenegro, UNDP and Women's Leadership Network of Montenegro  
**WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND CHALLENGING GLOBAL TRENDS**  
10 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building  
  
*This side event will explore innovative approaches to supporting women's leadership amid global crisis, strengthening feminist movements, and countering anti-gender narratives.*  
  
*Bringing together policymakers, activists, civil society leaders, and international organizations to advance women's leadership, discussions will focus on tackling democratic backsliding, global multiple crises, retrograde trends when it comes to gender equality and gender-based violence - while strengthening institutional support and feminist alliances. The goal is to drive concrete policy commitments that reinforce women's leadership as a cornerstone of democracy and inclusive governance and foster collaboration and advocacy for transformative leadership, ensuring resilient and inclusive societies.*  
  
[Concept Note](#)  
[Invitation](#)

- AU  
**HIGH-LEVEL INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE WITH THE REGIONAL COMMISSION: OUTCOMES OF THE BEIJING +30 REVIEW AND NEXT STEPS**  
10 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
AU Conference room

- Republic of Kenya  
**TRANSFORMING WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP BEYOND NUMBERS TO TANGIBLE OUTCOMES**  
10 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

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CONCEPT NOTE

- Inter-Parliamentary Union, UN Women, International IDEA, United Cities and Local Governments (UCLG)  
**WYDE WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP - TRANSFORMING NORMS: ADVANCING WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP**  
10 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

**Contact:** [mgn@ipu.org](mailto:mgn@ipu.org); [gender@ipu.org](mailto:gender@ipu.org)

*The annual IPU – UN Women Parliamentary Meeting at the 69th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women will be held on Tuesday, 11 March 2025, from 10 a.m. to 12.45 a.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Room at the United Nations Headquarters.*

Registration link  
IPU webpage of the event

- United Kingdom  
**UK: ACTIONABLE INSIGHTS: PROVEN APPROACHES TO CLOSE THE GENDER PAY GAP**  
10 Mar, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM  
UK Mission to UN, 1 Dag Hammarskjold Plaza (in person attendance)

*Hybrid: Limited in-person attendance and online (see link in flyer) RSVP required*

Flyer

- Slovenia  
**30 YEARS OF WOMEN'S POLITICAL PARTICIPATION: TOWARDS FULL PARITY**  
10 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM  
Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

**Contact:** [slomission.newyork@gov.si](mailto:slomission.newyork@gov.si)

*The Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action emphasized that women's full and equal participation in political decision-making is essential for sustainable development, good governance, and social inclusion. Over the past three decades, progress has been made, with the higher women's representation in decision-making globally. However, challenges like structural barriers, gendered norms, sexist hate speech and violence against women in politics continue to limit equitable representation. The political landscape is further complicated by rising mobilization against gender equality, shrinking civic spaces, and the persistent underrepresentation of women in decision-making processes, including in multilateral leadership and governing bodies. This side event will reflect on the lessons learned from the past 30 years and explore strategies to advance women's political participation globally. The discussion will focus on the role of gender quotas, combating all forms of violence against women in politics, and fostering environments that support inclusive global governance.*

CONCEPT NOTE  
INVITATION

- Colombia, Chile, Francia, Mesa, FOS Feminista  
**SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS 30 YEARS AFTER THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION**

**FORTALECIENDO LOS VÍNCULOS ENTRE AGENDAS: LA SALUD Y LOS DERECHOS SEXUALES Y REPRODUCTIVOS A 30 AÑOS DE LA PLATAFORMA DE ACCIÓN DE BEIJING (PAB)**

10 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** [jorduz@colombiun.org](mailto:jorduz@colombiun.org)

Registration LINK

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Permanent Missions to the United Nations: Austria, Bulgaria, Canada, Czechia, Germany, Hungary, Israel, Italy, Romania

**WOMEN, CONFLICT, AND PEACE: A UNIVERSAL FEMINIST VISION**

10 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building

Concept note  
Registration link

- UNICEF, We are Purposeful, UN Women, the Government of Sierra Leone and the Government of Canada  
**POWER4GIRLS: INVEST IN GIRLS, TRANSFORM THE WORLD**

10 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

**Contact:** [events@unicef.org](mailto:events@unicef.org)

**"POWER4Girls: invest in girls, transform the world"** will present a timely opportunity to focus on the progress and struggle for girls since the Beijing declaration – on where we have made strides and where we face the biggest gaps and needs for investment. It will see the launch of a first-of-its-kind global initiative working with and for girls to drive systems-level change for adolescent girls everywhere. Achieving gender equality and meeting the needs of adolescent girls requires a multi-faceted approach, driven by strong partnerships with national governments and the leadership of girls. POWER4Girls is this opportunity, aiming to accelerate at-scale action to advance girls' rights, wellbeing, and leadership, whilst influencing policy and programming work across the development-humanitarian ecosystem.

- Germany, National Council of German Women's Organizations, Unidas

**FEMINISM FOR THE WIN: STRATEGIES TO DEFEAT AND DEFEAT ANTI-FEMINIST MOVEMENTS**

10 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:15 PM

German Mission

**Registration:** <https://www.frauenrat.de/anmeldung/csw-feminism-for-the-win-en>

Concept note

- Les Femmes Michif Otipemisiwak (LFMO), Ontario Native Women's Association, Pauktuutit Inuit Women of Canada

**POLITICAL PARTICIPATION AND LEADERSHIP OF INDIGENOUS WOMEN – 30 YEARS AFTER THE INDIGENOUS WOMEN'S DECLARATION**

10 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM

Millenium Hilton Hotel, One UN Plaza – Riverview Room

Concept note (English)

Concept note (French)

- Saudi Arabia

**FROM VISION TO REALITY: SAUDI ARABIA'S JOURNEY TOWARDS WOMEN EMPOWERMENT**

10 Mar, 01:00 PM - 03:00 PM

[RSVP Link](#)

Delegates Dining Room, UNHQ

- Germany, Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung (FES), IT for Change, the International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC), Development Alternatives with Women for a New Era (DAWN)

**GENDER EQUALITY IN THE PLATFORM ECONOMY: EVOLVING A POLICY AGENDA FOR BEIJING+30**

10 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** [RSVP: nandini@itforchange.net](mailto:RSVP:nandini@itforchange.net)

Concept note

- Cooperation Council for the Arab States of the Gulf

**WOMEN AND TECHNOLOGY: INSPIRING STORIES IN THE GCC COUNTRIES**

10 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

- Kazakhstan, Uzbekistan, UN Women

**ADVANCING GENDER EQUALITY IN CENTRAL ASIA: COMMITMENTS AND JOINT PATHWAY TO SDG5 AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION**

10 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** [amirbek.it@gmail.com](mailto:amirbek.it@gmail.com)

*The Permanent Missions of Kazakhstan and Uzbekistan in collaboration with UN Women and regional CSOs (the Femagora Public Foundation and the Center for Progressive Reforms) are pleased to invite you to a CSW-69 side event: 'Advancing gender equality in Central Asia: Commitments and Joint Pathway to SDG5 and Implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action'.*

*The event aims to share the outcomes of the 2024 UNECE Beijing+30 Regional Review Meeting (co-chaired by Kazakhstan and Spain), the 2024 Asian Women's Forum hosted by Uzbekistan, and the 2025 Beijing+30 High-Level Meeting for Central Asia in Kazakhstan. The event seeks to promote multi-stakeholder partnerships to accelerate progress through regional collaboration, identify scalable and sustainable solutions to combat gender-based violence (GBV), and advance economic justice.*

*Participants are invited to enjoy a light lunch and coffee/drinks prior to the meeting in the Vienna cafe area.*

Flyer

Please register here:

[Agenda](#)

[Concept note](#)

- Botswana, Namibia, South Africa

**ACCELERATING WOMEN OWNED MICRO-ENTREPRENEURS**

10 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

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RSVP Form

- Government of Papua New Guinea and UN Women  
**SHOWCASING PROGRESS ON GENDER PARITY IN THE WORKPLACE IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA**  
10 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** pngun@pngmission.org

*Gender parity in the workplace is essential for achieving gender equality and sustainable development. In Papua New Guinea, women are significantly underrepresented in the formal workforce, business sector, and leadership roles, holding only 1.8 per cent of leadership positions at the subnational and national levels. To address this, the government has implemented the Gender Equity and Social Inclusion Policy since 2013 (GESI Policy), aiming for 30 per cent of senior management positions in the national public service to be held by women. This policy further seeks to improve workplace conditions for women, including to ensure their safety from all forms of harassment and bullying as well as creating leadership opportunities for women across all sectors of Government.*

*The distinguished panelists for this proposed side event led by H.E. Mr. Jason Peter, Minister for Community Development, Youth and Religion will share important insights on the progress of gender parity in the workplace, challenges, achievements in line with the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the overall implementation of SDG Goal 5.*

CSW69 Side event concept note  
Papua New Guinea CSW69 Side Event Zoom Meeting

- Nordic Council of Ministers: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden  
**NORDIC MINISTERS' PANEL: JOIN US IN PUSHING FOR PROGRESS!**  
10 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

*Today, growing resistance, regression and push-back against gender equality threatens women's and girls' rights everywhere. The Nordic ministers have signed a common declaration to meet this push-back and to keep pushing for progress. During this event, Nordic ministers for gender equality will discuss urgent challenges, bold strategies, and advancements already made.*

#### **SPEAKERS**

*Sanni Grahn-Laasonen, Minister for Social Security, Finland*

*Magnus Heunicke, Minister for Environment and Gender Equality, Denmark*

*Sirið Stenberg, Minister of Social Affairs and Culture, Faroe Islands*

*Þorbjörg Sigríður Gunnlaugsdóttir, Minister of Justice, Iceland*

*Erlend Kaldestad Hanstveit, State secretary, Ministry of Culture and Equality, Norway*

*Paulina Brandberg, Minister for Gender Equality and Working Life, Sweden*

*Moderator: Femi Oke, journalist and broadcaster*

<https://www.norden.org/csw69>

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Concept note Nordic Ministerial Panel

- Uganda Mission, Sovereign Order of Malta, CSTIP, LSEG-Risk Intelligence, Napier AI  
**BANKRUPTING THE BUSINESS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING: BEIJING+30, TECHNIQUES THAT WORK**  
10 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:45 PM  
Permanent Mission of Uganda, 336 E. 45th St.

Flyer

- Permanent Mission of Ukraine to the UN  
**BUILDING BACK BETTER: GENDER RESPONSIVE AND INCLUSIVE RECOVERY IN UKRAINE**  
10 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

Flyer  
Concept note

- Panama, Costa Rica, Dominican Republic, Ireland, Luxembourg, CAF – The Latin American and the Caribbean Development Bank, UNFPA LACRO  
**SOCIO-ECONOMIC CONSEQUENCES OF EARLY PREGNANCY IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN: A CALL FOR POLICY ACTION**  
10 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

- Luxembourg and Council of Europe  
**THREATS AND OPPORTUNITIES OF DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES: WOMEN IN THE PUBLIC EYE**  
 10 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

*Women in the public eye are prime targets of technology - facilitated violence and disproportionately bear the consequences, including harm on their safety, mental health, dignity and reputation. The event will explore promising initiatives and measures taken in preventing and combating various forms of technology-facilitated violence against women, incorporating a youth perspective. It will serve as a platform to discuss how high-profile women engaged in public or political activism, including journalists and human rights defenders, or women with celebrity status, can be better protected from technology-facilitated violence.*

*Key areas of focus include awareness-raising, accountability of online platforms providers, and in line with the interpretation of the Council of Europe Istanbul Convention through its General Recommendation No. 1 on the digital dimension of violence against women, access to specialised law enforcement agencies and prosecution of perpetrators.*

Flyer EN  
 Flyer FR  
 Programme
- Sierra Leone, Plan International, Canada, Finland, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Mexico, UNICEF, CHOICE for Youth & Sexuality  
**STORIES FROM THE FUTURE: CHARTING A PATH TOWARDS THE FUTURE GIRLS WANT**  
 10 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

CSW Side Event - Stories from the future - Charting a path towards the future girls want - 10 March 2025
- The Republic of Chile, UN-Habitat, OHCHR, Huairou Commission  
**ADEQUATE HOUSING FOR ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS: GENDER-TRANSFORMATIVE APPROACHES TO HOUSING**  
 10 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** deferrari@un.org

*Please book your space here:* <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1251812217039?aff=oddtcreator>
- Sweden, Somalia, UN Women  
**SRHR: A CRITICAL PATHWAY TO ERADICATING POVERTY AND ACHIEVING GENDER EQUALITY**  
 10 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

*The lack of sexual and reproductive health and rights hits marginalised and vulnerable groups particularly hard. Ensuring universal access to SRHR including comprehensive sexuality education has profound and measurable implications on health, poverty eradication, gains in education, social inclusion, and sustainable development. This side-event brings together government, civil society, international organisations, faith-based organisations and youth for an evidence-based conversation around the importance of reaching those left behind by taking actions to change social norms, laws, and policies to ensure universal access to SRHR and comprehensive sexuality education to reduce inequalities.*

Flyer
- Indonesia  
**WOMEN FORWARD - SHAPING AN INCLUSIVE DIGITAL ECONOMY THROUGH COLLABORATIVE VISION**  
 10 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

Concept Note Side Event Indonesia 10 March 2025
- Council of Europe  
**WOMEN'S EQUAL REPRESENTATION – OBSTACLES AND SOLUTIONS**  
 10 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
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**Contact:** asega@coe.int

*Parliaments around the world have made gradual strides towards achieving a more balanced gender representation, which is essential for the full functioning of democracies. While progress is evident, significant challenges remain on the path to gender parity. Long-standing and emerging factors continue to slow progress, with signs of regression becoming increasingly apparent globally. These obstacles include deeply ingrained gender inequalities, persistent prejudices against women in leadership and the disproportionate responsibility women bear for caregiving both at home and in the workforce. Social discrimination and pervasive gender biases, whether conscious or unconscious, further hinder women's full participation in decision-making processes.*

*This high-level panel will address obstacles and solutions to women's equal participation in political and public decision-making, drawing on insights from national and international parliamentarians. The roundtable discussion will feature brief presentations from ministers and parliamentarians, followed by an interactive exchange with participants in the room, offering potential solutions to drive meaningful change.*

Visual for side-event
- Bolivia, Sweden, UN Women, Generation Equality  
**MULTISTAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIPS – LEVERAGING GENERATION EQUALITY TO ADVANCE RECOMMITMENT, ACCOUNTABILITY, AND RESOURCING OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION**  
 10 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

**Contact:** gef.coordination.hub@unwomen.org

*The high-level side event, co-organised by UN Women, Bolivia, Sweden and with Generation Equality partners will provide a timely opportunity to demonstrate the transformative power of the Generation Equality's multistakeholder partnerships model to drive recommitment, accountability, and resourcing towards the Beijing+30 Action Agenda. The event will demonstrate how Generation Equality has enabled concrete, tangible results towards the areas of critical concern of the Beijing Platform for Action by spotlighting collective efforts advanced through the Action Coalitions and the Compact. It will demonstrate how collective leadership and accountability are critical in delivering sustainable and innovative results for all women and girls and in resourcing community-led solutions. The side event will identify opportunities in the current global context of pushback, regression and fragmentation to position Generation Equality as a game changer during the final push towards the 2030 Agenda.*

Generation Equality CSW69 Side Event Concept Note

- Statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Centre for Islamic Countries (SESRIC), Organisation of Islamic Cooperation (OIC), Small and Medium Business Development Agency (KOBIA) of the Republic of Azerbaijan

**PANEL DISCUSSION ON "BAKU CLIMATE COALITION FOR SMES' GREEN TRANSITION: WOMEN EMPOWERMENT"**

10 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** training@sesric.org

Concept Note

- State of Palestine, UN Women, United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia (ESCWA)

**BEIJING+30: REFLECTIONS ON THE SITUATION OF PALESTINIAN WOMEN AND GIRLS**

10 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

- Mexico, United Kingdom, World Health Organization, World Economic Forum, Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health, UN Women

**NO GENDER EQUALITY WITHOUT WOMEN'S HEALTH: CENTERING THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND GIRLS 30 YEARS AFTER BEIJING**

10 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

Concept Note

- Saudi Arabia

**EXHIBITION OPENING: FROM VISION TO REALITY: WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT IN SAUDI ARABIA**

10 Mar, 06:30 PM - 07:00 PM

[RSVP Link](#)

GA Building 1B Neck, UNHQ

## Tuesday, 11 March 2025

- Main Organiser: Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office of the United Kingdom; Co-Sponsors: UN Women Multi-Country Office – Caribbean, The Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund, The Government of Trinidad and Tobago, and The Government of Haiti

**ISLANDS AND ALLIES FOR PEACE**

11 Mar, 08:00 AM - 09:40 AM

UN Women Headquarters, 19th Floor Meeting Room

Concept note

- UN Women

**REFLECTING ON CSW REVITALIZATION AND THE MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT OF YOUTH DELEGATES AT CSW: A DIALOGUE WITH YOUTH DELEGATES**

11 Mar, 08:30 AM - 09:30 AM

By invitation only

**Contact:** youth.engage@unwomen.org

- World Bank

**THE FUTURE OF CARE: INVESTING IN WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS**

11 Mar, 08:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Japan Society, 333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017

- Executive Office of the United Nations Secretary-General and UN Women

**TOWNHALL MEETING WITH THE UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL AND CIVIL SOCIETY IN THE MARGINS OF THE SIXTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

United Nations Headquarters New York

*The townhall meeting is the UN Secretary-General's annual consultation with women's and feminist civil society on the margins of the Commission on the Status of Women. The townhall will be an in-person event and will be webcast on UN WebTV. UN Women's Executive Director, Sima Bahous, will moderate the event. The townhall is open to representatives of ECOSOC-accredited NGOs. The session will take place in English but will include interpretation services in all other official UN languages, ISL, and live closed captioning in English.*

- Germany, Plan International

**REIMAGINING INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION: YOUTH AS ARCHITECTS OF CHANGE**

11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

German Mission

*Please Register here.*

Concept note

- Kyrgyz Republic  
**THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC – STATE OF UTAH ADVOCACY TO EMPOWER MOUNTAIN WOMEN AND GIRLS THROUGH ETHICALLY GOOD STUDENT-CENTRIC EDUCATION**  
 11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
[Click here for ZOOM link](#)  
 Virtual event  
**Contact:** n.moldotasheva@gmail.com
- Organized by Egypt and UN Women in Cooperation with the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, South Africa and the Government of Rwanda  
**REALIZING THE PROMISE OF BEIJING FOR ADVANCING WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP**  
 11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building  
 Flyer  
 Concept Note and Programma
- Oxfam Denmark and the Women's Council Denmark on behalf of the Danish WPS CSO Network, Global Network of Women Peacebuilders, CIVICUS, Global Focus, in partnership with Denmark and Austria  
**THE ROLE OF WOMEN'S RIGHTS AND WOMEN-LED ORGANISATIONS, AND WOMEN HUMAN RIGHTS DEFENDERS IN SHAPING, LEADING AND RECLAIMING THE WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY AGENDA**  
 11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building  
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 Concept note
- UNDP and The Norwegian Agency for Development Cooperation (NORAD)  
**EQUANOMICS: LEVERAGING PUBLIC FINANCE FOR THE BEIJING AGENDA**  
 11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building  
 EQUANOMICS UNDP Event CN - CSW69
- UNICEF, UNFPA, with Government of UK, Canada, Zambia, Dominican Republic, the Netherlands, Children's Investment Fund Foundation, Girls Not Brides, Girls First Fund and Zonta International.  
**BRIDGING THE GAP: FROM BEIJING TO 2030 – ENDING CHILD MARRIAGE IN ALL FORMS**  
 11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
 RSVP before 4 March via [this link](#)  
 Labouisse Hall, UNICEF House  
**Contact:** Shaohua Wang (shawang@unicef.org)  
 Save the date  
 Concept note
- Inter-Parliamentary Union and UN Women  
**PARLIAMENTS AND BEIJING +30: RESISTING BACKLASH AND SHIFTING PARADIGMS TOWARDS GENDER EQUALITY - ANNUAL IPU PARLIAMENTARY MEETING (PART 1)**  
 11 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:45 PM  
 Trusteeship Council Chamber (max. capacity: 673), Conference Building  
**Contact:** mgn@ipu.org; gender@ipu.org  
*In addition to the Parliamentary Meeting, the IPU is organizing a side event on Social Norms change, Networking and Global Advocacy to Advance Women's Political Participation and Decision Making.*  
  
*This side event will be held on **Monday, 10 March 2025**, from 10.00 to 11.15 (New York time), in the ECOSOC Chamber. Interpretation will be made available in Arabic, English, French and Spanish.*  
 Registration link  
 IPU webpage of the event  
 Concept note and provisional programme  
 Information note  
 Note d'orientation et programme provisoire  
 Note d'information
- Co-organizers: UN Women / Government of Haiti / Ministry of Women Affairs (MCFDF)  
 Key stakeholders/ Co Host: Norwegian Embassy, Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations, Banque de la République d'Haïti (BRH), Civil Society Organizations (CSOs)  
**EMPOWERING WOMEN IN CRISIS SITUATION: SAVING LIVES IN HAITI**  
 11 Mar, 11:00 AM - 12:50 PM  
 Permanent Representation of the International Organisation of La Francophonie to the United Nations, 801 2nd Ave, New York, NY 10017

Concept note  
Flyer

- Organizer: Republic of Moldova; Co-organizers: Albania, Denmark, North Macedonia, Ukraine, Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), Swedish International Development Agency (Sida), and UN Women ECARO

**EMPOWERING CHANGE: UNLOCKING TRANSFORMATIVE GENDER IMPACT IN THE WESTERN BALKANS AND EASTERN EUROPE**

11 Mar, 11:00 AM - 01:00 PM

Registration link

Room 1875, 18th floor, UN Women Headquarters, The News Building, 220 E 42nd St, New York, NY 10017

Event webpage

- Nordic Council of Ministers: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, Sweden

**NORDIC COUNCIL OF MINISTERS: TURNING PUSH-BACK INTO PROGRESS**

11 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

*The global movement against gender equality is a crisis impacting the lives of women and girls everywhere. With gender equality policies under attack, the need for a united, powerful response is urgent.*

*How do we safeguard advancements already made? How do we counter the push-back? And how do we come together to maximize our impact?*

*Join Nordic and international activists and experts as they unveil bold strategies to reverse the tide and drive forward gender equality. Let's push for progress together.*

**SPEAKERS**

*Joanna Lilja, Business Strategist, ACT Church of Sweden*

*Nelly Munyasia, Executive Director, Reproductive Health Network in Kenya*

*Iryna Trokhym, Co-Founder, The Centre "Women's Perspectives" Ukraine*

*Silvia Modig, Chair, The National Council of Women of Finland*

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Concept note Nordic Expert Panel

- France, Mexico, Sweden, Canada, in partnership with Osez le féminisme !

**SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED CYBERVIOLENCE: CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS TO COUNTER BACKLASH AND BUILD A WORLD FREE FROM VIOLENCE**

11 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 7 (max. capacity: 114), General Assembly Building

*This CSW69 High-Level Side-Event will address the growing impact of digital technologies in amplifying gender-based and sexual violence, with a focus on online exploitation and cyberviolence. Co-hosted by France, Mexico, Sweden, Canada, and Osez le Féminisme, it will explore legal, international, and policy-driven solutions to protect women's and girls' rights in the digital age.*

*For more information about Osez le féminisme! please consult the following link:*

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[utm\\_content=DAGfj8HXP9w&utm\\_campaign=designshare&utm\\_medium=link2&utm\\_source=sharebutton](https://www.canva.com/design/DAGfj8HXP9w/WhFaYryXrCGoRrNK1vfzLQ/edit?utm_content=DAGfj8HXP9w&utm_campaign=designshare&utm_medium=link2&utm_source=sharebutton)

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Concept Note

- Kingdom of Bahrain

**SUPREME COUNCIL FOR WOMEN**

11 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

- President of ECOSOC

**CELEBRATING INTERSECTIONAL FEMINIST LEADERSHIP AT BEIJING +30**

11 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

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***This side-event will be open to all CSW delegates possessing a United Nations Headquarters grounds pass. Registration is not required.***

- Sweden

**COLLECTIVELY TRANSFORMING CARE SYSTEMS**

11 Mar, 11:30 AM - 01:00 PM

Swedish Church, 5E 48th Street, NY 10017

Concept Note  
Flyer

- Permanent Missions of Antigua and Barbuda, Bangladesh, Ireland and United Kingdom  
**NO WOMAN LEFT BEHIND – ADVANCING EYE HEALTH EQUITY FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**  
11 Mar, 12:00 PM - 01:15 PM  
RSVP Link  
Japan Society, Murase Room, 333 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017  
  
Concept note
  - MARTA Centre, Latvia, Zambia  
**WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP – PAVING THE PATH TO AN INCLUSIVE AND JUST SOCIETY**  
11 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM  
Registration link  
One Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, 885 Second Avenue, 31st Floor  
**Contact:** tils.indans@mfa.gov.lv
  - UNSRC  
**VIRTUAL SPEAKER EVENT- DRESSED FOR FREEDOM: FASHION AS A MEANS OF EMPOWERMENT**  
11 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM  
RSVP link  
Virtual meeting
  - Saudi Arabia  
**CARE ECONOMY: VALUING PAID AND UNPAID WORK**  
11 Mar, 01:00 PM - 03:00 PM  
RSVP Link  
Delegates Dining Room, UNHQ
  - Qatar Mission  
**"FROM BEIJING +30 TO THE SECOND WORLD SOCIAL SUMMIT FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT: ACCELERATING WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT THROUGH SOCIAL PROTECTION"**  
11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room 1 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building  
  
Concept Note
  - Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie - OIF  
**« LA PARITÉ, UN PRINCIPE UNIVERSEL », ATELIER FRANCOPHONE DU RÉSEAU DES FEMMES PARLEMENTAIRES DE L'ASSEMBLÉE PARLEMENTAIRE DE LA FRANCOPHONIE**  
11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
**Contact:** ikempeneers@apf-fr.org  
  
Atelier francophone du Réseau des femmes parlementaires de l'APF
  - China, Cuba, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Zambia, UN-Women, UNFPA  
**TECHNOLOGY AND WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: GLOBAL SOUTH PERSPECTIVE AND PRACTICE**  
11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building  
**Contact:** dwightianhao@gmail.com  
  
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- Event Flyer  
Concept Note 0308
- United Kingdom  
**STEPPING UP, STANDING BY AND SPEAKING OUT FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS MOVEMENTS**  
11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building  
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Stepping Up, Standing By and Speaking Up - Concept Note
  - Norway, Colombia, UNFPA and WHO/HRP  
**DIGITAL SOLUTIONS FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND SRHR**  
11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

*This side event will discuss how to leverage digital solutions to reach adolescents with quality assured information about sexual and reproductive rights and comprehensive sexuality education in the era of misinformation and fake news. How do we succeed in engaging with different groups of young people with information they want and need to be able to obtain bodily autonomy, sexual health, and empowerment?*

*Join us for a conversation between policy makers, researchers, civil society and youth representatives.*

Concept Note  
Flyer

- Albania, Andorra, Cyprus and Greece

**30 YEARS OF BEIJING: WOMEN'S EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP AS DRIVERS OF CHANGE**

11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building

*Only for UN Badge holders.*

Concept Note

- Mexico

**"LA MIGRACIÓN COMO OPORTUNIDAD: EXPERIENCIAS Y DESAFÍOS EN LA REINTEGRACIÓN DE MIGRANTES DESDE UN ENFOQUE DE GÉNERO Y DERECHOS HUMANOS"**

11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

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- League of Arab States, Arab Women Committee

**WOMEN IN GAZA RISING FOR FREEDOM AND DIGNITY: HIGH-LEVEL SIDE EVENT ON THE MARGINS OF THE 69TH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN**

11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Trusteeship Council Chamber (max. capacity: 673), Conference Building

- The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), together with the UN Working Group on discrimination against women and girl, Center for Reproductive Rights, Global Justice Center, Catalysts, Planned Parenthood Global and Outright International

**EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION FOR THE NEXT 30 YEARS: ADVANCING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS IN A CHANGING WORLD**

11 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:45 PM

Registration link

Blue Gallery, 222 E 46th St, New York, NY 10017

*Due to limited capacity, registration is required for this event. Please register by COB on March 6.*

- IPPF, UN Working Group on discrimination against women and girl, Center for Reproductive Rights, Global Justice Center, Catalysts, Planned Parenthood Global, Outright International, Mexico, Mongolia, New Zealand, Spain, Uruguay

**EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION FOR THE NEXT 30 YEARS: ADVANCING SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS IN A CHANGING WORLD**

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*The side event seeks to foster a dialogue on how to navigate the protection, promotion and fulfillment of fundamental human rights of women, girls and marginalized communities in diverse contexts and share best practices that emphasise participatory, inclusive and intersectional approaches to gender justice. The event will explore practical, legal and policy measures to address barriers to realizing SRHR, highlighting positive practice amongst States from all regions, and address how - in a complex political landscape - pluralism and a recognition of diverse contexts provide a useful framework that can enable coexistence, inclusion and equality. It will also give a space to discuss the specific human rights standards and standards on conscientious objection and access to abortion services, reviewing the recently launched guidance document by the UN Working Group on discrimination against women and girls.*

- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women

**CSW NGO BRIEFING**

11 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM

Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)

Contact: [youth.engage@unwomen.org](mailto:youth.engage@unwomen.org)

**For All Women and Girls – Beijing+30 Young Feminist Dialogue with UN Women** (CSO briefing, 45 minutes)

*Join us for 'For All Women and Girls: Rights, Empowerment, and Accountability – Beijing+30 Young Feminist Dialogue with UN Women,' a lunchtime discussion hosted by NGO CSW NY in collaboration with UN Women and young feminists. This session will provide space for young feminists to engage with UN Women on how they are driving accountability for the Beijing+30 Action Agenda and ensuring hard-won gains remain at the forefront of gender equality efforts. The discussion will also highlight young feminist recommendations on CSW revitalization and strategies to maintain meaningful engagement in global policy spaces.*

Concept Note  
Flyer

- Malaysia

**EMPOWERING GENDER EQUALITY: BREAKING BARRIERS**

11 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:30 PM

Permanent Mission of Malaysia to the United Nations, 313 East 43rd St, New York, NY 10017

Concept note

- Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations

**LEGALLY BOLD: REWRITING LAWS TO END VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN**

11 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:45 PM

[Registration Form](#)

Permanent Mission of the Czech Republic to the United Nations, One Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, 885 Second Avenue, 48th Floor

[Registration Form](#)[Side event Flyer](#)[Side event Concept Note](#)

## • Uganda

**LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY IN GENDER-RESPONSIVE DEVELOPMENT INTERVENTIONS**

11 Mar, 02:00 PM - 03:30 PM

Uganda Mission, Board room

## • Organization of Islamic Cooperation

**PATHWAYS TO INNOVATIVE FINANCING FOR GENDER-SENSITIVE SOCIAL PROTECTION FOR DISPLACED YOUTH AND GIRLS**

11 Mar, 02:00 PM - 04:00 PM

Marmara Park Avenue Hotel, 114 E 32nd Street, New York, NY 10016

**Contact:** [s.karsiyaka@icyforum.org](mailto:s.karsiyaka@icyforum.org)[Concept Note](#)

## • Nordic Council of Ministers and the Mission of Latvia in collaboration with the Mission of Mexico and the mission of the Philippines to the United Nations

**RECLAIMING THE DIGITAL SPACE**

11 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

[Registration link](#)

One Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, 885 Second Avenue, 31st Floor

[More info](#)

## • Working Group on discrimination against women and girls, ILO, and the Permanent Missions of Belgium and Mexico

**ADDRESSING THE BACKLASH: PUSHING FORWARD TO SECURE SEXUAL, REPRODUCTIVE, HEALTH AND LABOUR RIGHTS**

11 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)

**Contact:** Mr. Gilles Bauwens, Human Rights Counselor at the Permanent Representation of Belgium to the UN in NY ([gilles.bauwens@diplobel.fed.be](mailto:gilles.bauwens@diplobel.fed.be))

*In a rapidly changing world, how do we continue to gain ground on securing sexual and reproductive health rights of women and girls? How can we secure conditions for everyone to enjoy comprehensive sexuality education? How can we secure conditions for women and girls to enjoy their rights to equality of opportunity, dignity and economic security? What has proven successful to dismantling structural obstacles to gender equality at work, sexual and reproductive health rights and comprehensive sexuality education, even in the face of hostile environments? What challenges remain and how does that inform future interventions in this area? As we celebrate 30 years of the BDPfA, join us for a critical conversation on pushing forward despite the backlash.*

**Agenda:**

1. Opening remarks by Minister Caroline Gennez, Flemish Minister of Welfare and the Fight against Poverty, Culture and Equal Opportunities
2. Introduction of panelists by the Moderator, Ms. Jemimah Njuki, the Chief of the Economic Empowerment section, UN Women
3. Panel discussion:
  - Ms. Laura Nyirinkindi, Chair, Working Group on discrimination against women and girls
  - Ms. Emanuela Pozzan, Senior Gender and Non-Discrimination Specialist, International Labour Organization
  - Ambassador Jennifer Feller, Director General for Human Rights and Democracy, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico
  - Ms. Eefke Deneer, Senior policy advisor, Rutgers
4. Moderated Q & A with attendees
5. Closing remarks by Minister Caroline Gennez, Flemish Minister of Welfare and the Fight against Poverty, Culture and Equal Opportunities

*Please RSVP here: [Addressing the backlash: Pushing forward to secure SRH and labour rights](#). Due to limited capacity, we kindly ask all interested participants to sign up and wait for registration confirmation. Please note that not everyone may be able to participate in person. For those who cannot attend in person, the event will be broadcasted on UN Web TV.*

**NB:** Maximum capacity has been reached.

[UN Web TV link](#)[Concept Note](#)[Flyer](#)[Flyer \(landscape\)](#)

## • Government of Canada, Les Femmes Michif Otipemisiwak

**DRIVING ACTIONABLE CHANGE AND STRENGTHENING GLOBAL SOLIDARITY AMONG INDIGENOUS WOMEN**

11 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

**Contact:** [nicole.farhacerwinka@international.gc.ca](mailto:nicole.farhacerwinka@international.gc.ca)

*By reflecting on the progress and challenges since the signing of the Beijing Indigenous Women's Declaration in 1995, this event will provide valuable insights into effective strategies for advancing gender equality for Indigenous women, girls, and 2SLGBTQI+ people. The event will highlight experiences and initiatives to address systemic inequalities and promote inclusive societies. Interactive dialogues will foster meaningful discussions, best practice sharing, and strategy development, furthering the goals of the Indigenous Women's Declaration and reinforcing the Beijing Plus 30 agenda. **This event will be open to all CSW delegates in possession of a UNHQ grounds pass. Registration is not required.***

Concept note EN  
 Concept note FR  
 Concept note ES  
 UN Web TV

- Permanent Mission of Hungary to the UN  
**SUPPORTING THE MENTAL HEALTH OF ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS**  
 11 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** hungaryun.ny@mfa.gov.hu

*Women and girls face distinct and different challenges when it comes to mental health as compared to men and boys. Existing gender inequalities contribute to poorer mental health outcomes for women and girls, which in return can create barriers to their empowerment in a variety of areas - this is particularly true for women and girls who are already in vulnerable situations. In addition, many women and girls also face barriers in seeking and accessing mental health services, mainly due to fewer resources, or social stigma around mental health.*

*Achieving the highest attainable standards of mental health for all women and girls is a human right, and an integral component of achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls. As women and girls are key pillars of resilience in their families, communities and societies, their health and well-being is also a defining factor for the success of nations at large.*

*In this context, the high-level side event will discuss existing gaps in policies and public services, and present solutions and best practices ensuring the best possible mental health outcomes for all women and girls.*

*The Save the date, concept note and link to register to the event can be found here below.*

Please, RSVP here by 5 March 2025.  
 Save the Date  
 Concept Note

- Ministry of Equality, Government of Spain  
**DIALOGUES TO FORM AN INTERNATIONAL FEMINIST ALLIANCE**  
 11 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:30 PM  
 Instituto Cervantes, 211 E 49th St., 10017, New York, NY

Flyer evento con enlace de inscripción  
 Event flyer with registering link  
 Nota de concepto  
 Concept note

- Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU)  
**PARLIAMENTS AND BEIJING +30: RESISTING BACKLASH AND SHIFTING PARADIGMS TOWARDS GENDER EQUALITY - ANNUAL IPU PARLIAMENTARY MEETING (PART 2)**  
 11 Mar, 03:00 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Trusteeship Council Chamber (max. capacity: 673), Conference Building

**Contact:** mgn@ipu.org; gender@ipu.org

*In addition to the Parliamentary Meeting, the IPU is organizing a side event on Social Norms change, Networking and Global Advocacy to Advance Women's Political Participation and Decision Making.*

*This side event will be held on **Monday, 10 March 2025**, from 10.00 to 11.15 (New York time), in the ECOSOC Chamber. Interpretation will be made available in Arabic, English, French and Spanish.*

Registration link  
 IPU Webpage of the event  
 Concept note and provisional programme  
 Note d'orientation et programme provisoire  
 Note d'information  
 Information note

- UNFPA, Zambia  
**BEIJING@30 ENSURING ACCESS TO JUSTICE FOR EVERY WOMAN & GIRL IN ZAMBIA; CELEBRATING THE MILESTONES ACHIEVED & ACCELERATING ACTION ON THE UNFINISHED BUSINESS**  
 11 Mar, 04:30 PM - 05:45 PM  
 AU Conference room
- NIGERIA  
**REFLECT ON CSW69 OUTCOMES, STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS, CELEBRATE NIGERIAN WOMEN'S ACHIEVEMENTS**  
 11 Mar, 04:30 PM - 06:30 PM  
 Nigeria House, 828 2nd Avenue, New York
- Honduras and The International Federation of Consular Corps and Associations (FICAC)

**CSW 69: HONDURAS AND THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF CONSULAR CORPS AND ASSOCIATIONS (FICAC) ROLE OF WOMEN IN DIPLOMACY AND IN LEADERSHIP POSITIONS IN BETTERING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE BEIJING 2030 ACTION PLAN**

11 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

- Organizers: State of Libya, in collaboration with the Arab Women Organization, UN Women, and GIZ  
In partnership with: Egypt, Jordan, Lebanon, Morocco, Sudan, and Tunisia

**ACHIEVEMENTS AND CHALLENGES IN THE ARAB REGION... 30 YEARS AFTER BEIJING WITH A FOCUS ON CARE WORK IN CRISES AND WARS**

11 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

By invitation only

**Contact:** info@arabwomenorg.net; m.abusnaina@libya-un.gov.ly

*Maximum capacity has been reached! No more seats/tickets are available.*

*You can still follow the event live at: <https://webtv.un.org/en/asset/k1p/k1pi5vefxb>*

Concept Note and Agenda (EN)

Concept Note and Agenda (AR)

Flyer (EN)

Flyer (AR)

- Government of Iceland and several Icelandic organization

**WOMEN'S STRIKE, 50 YEARS ON - ICELANDIC QUEST FOR EQUALITY**

11 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

**Contact:** unmission@mfa.is

Flyer

- President of the Economic and Social Council, Women 20 South Africa Presidency, International Telecommunication Union and Soroptimist International

**ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE: A TRANSFORMATIVE FORCE FOR ALL WOMEN & GIRLS**

11 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** itu.newyork@itu.int

**Expected Outcomes:** Increased awareness of the transformative potential of AI for gender equality; Identification of key opportunities and challenges in leveraging AI for all women and girls empowerment; Emphasis on ethical and effective use of AI to close gender gaps; Contribution to CSW69 discussions on innovation and technology for gender equality, aligned with the Beijing+30 priorities.

**Format:** A 75-minute interactive dialogue featuring an opening segment with remarks by sponsors and co-hosts, a mini panel and an interactive segment. During the interactive segment, participants will collaborate and brainstorm on innovative ways to leverage AI for closing the digital divide, using AI-powered tools and methodologies to discuss Quality education and training. This event is also a follow-up to the CSW 68 side event, Shaping Inclusive Futures: Gender and Artificial Intelligence (AI) at Work, organized by ITU and its partners in 2024.

Concept Note and Save the Date Flyer

- Estonia

**BRIDGING THE GENDER GAP THROUGH DIGITAL INNOVATION**

11 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

Invitation & RSVP link

Concept Note

- Government of Mexico, Ley Olympia Movement

**INNOVACIÓN Y JUSTICIA DIGITAL: RESPUESTAS A LA VIOLENCIA DIGITAL CONTRA LAS MUJERES DESDE LA LEY OLIMPIA**

11 Mar, 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM

Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017

- CAF-Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean, UN Women, Articulación Belém do Pará +30, Chile, Comisión Interamericana de Mujeres – CIM, Mecanismo de Seguimiento de la Convención de Belém do Pará – MESECVI

**CELEBRANDO LA CONVENCIÓN DE BELÉM DO PARÁ Y LA PLATAFORMA DE ACCIÓN DE BEIJING**

11 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:30 PM

Delegates Dining Room, UNHQ

*By invitation only.*

### Wednesday, 12 March 2025

- Government of Mexico, Enlace Continental de Mujeres Indígenas de las Américas (ECMIA), Foro Internacional de Mujeres Indígenas (FIMI)

**IMUJERES Y JUVENTUDES INDÍGENAS A 30 AÑOS DE BEIJING. AVANCES Y DESAFÍOS**

12 Mar, 08:00 AM - 09:45 AM

Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017

- FAO

**COMMIT TO GROW EQUALITY: MAKING AGRIFOOD SYSTEMS WORK BETTER FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**

12 Mar, 08:00 AM - 09:45 AM

Registration form

Convening Center, The Rockefeller Foundation, 420 5th Ave, New York

Flyer

- Luxembourg, Colombia, Poland & Canada, CRR, Health Development Initiative, Women Law & Development (Nepal), Surkuna-Centro de Apoyo y Protección de los Derechos Humanos, Fòs Feminista, IPPF, Outright International, Plan Internat, ILGA World

**DARING TO DELIVER: ENSURING SRHR FOR ADOLESCENTS AND FULFILLING COMMITMENTS UNDER BEIJING+30**

12 Mar, 08:00 AM - 10:00 AM

Blue Gallery, 222 E 46th St, New York, NY 10017

**Contact:** [srundlet@reprorights.org](mailto:srundlet@reprorights.org)

Registration link

Invitation

- Sweden, OCHA, UN Women

**GENDER EQUALITY IN HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE: OUR COLLECTIVE RESPONSIBILITY!**

12 Mar, 08:30 AM - 09:30 AM

Registration link

FF Building, 304 East 45 Street - 9th Floor (Rio Room)

Concept note

- French Parliamentarian Delegation, in partnership with the French Mission to the UN

**VIOLENCE IN PORN = VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN. UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING PORNOGRAPHY'S SOCIETAL IMPACT.**

12 Mar, 08:30 AM - 10:00 AM

French Mission to the UN

*Limited availability. Please contact : [delegation-femmes@senat.fr](mailto:delegation-femmes@senat.fr) and [jeremy.jonquieres@diplomatie.gouv.fr](mailto:jeremy.jonquieres@diplomatie.gouv.fr) - confirmation will depend on availability.*

Concept Note

Tentative Program

Flyer

- Global Campaign for Equality in Family Law, Government Offices of Sweden, Government of Zambia, UN Working Group on Discrimination against Women and Girls, and UN Women

**THE RISE OF 'FAMILY VALUES' & STRATEGIES FOR RIGHTS-BASED FAMILY LAW REFORM**

12 Mar, 08:30 AM - 10:00 AM

Scandinavia House

*Please register here: <https://tinyurl.com/GCEFLsideevent>*

Poster

- IAEA, Guyana, Malawi, Pakistan, Nigeria, and Jordan

**THE EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN: BRINGING HOPE TO FEMALE CANCER PATIENTS THROUGH THE IAEA RAYS OF HOPE INITIATIVE – CANCER CARE FOR ALL.**

12 Mar, 09:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Virtual event

**Join link:**

<https://iaea.webex.com/iaea/j.php?MTID=m2e67aef5a2ad635143988a0cc531a904>

**Webinar number:**

2734 341 4130

**Webinar password:**

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*(64625323 when dialing from a phone or video system)*

Flyer

- UNIDO

**WHAT'S NEXT FOR INDUSTRY? WOMEN AND GREEN INNOVATION**

12 Mar, 09:30 AM - 11:00 AM

virtual

*Gender equality and empowering women are imperative for achieving sustainable and inclusive industrial development. This side event, organized by UNIDO in collaboration with its member states, provides a platform to discuss and showcase initiatives that promote women's active participation and leadership in driving green economy practices. Focusing on the intersection of gender equality and green innovation, the event will explore how women play a pivotal role in transforming industrial processes, reducing waste, and fostering resource efficiency.*

**Registration link:** <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/5bf8d777-5f5a-4ffe-9df1-3f428e220ac1@0f9e35db-544f-4f60-bdcc-5ea416e6dc70>

- Organizer: The Permanent Mission of Romania to the United Nations  
Co-sponsors: The Permanent Mission of Mongolia to the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Sweden to the United Nations, eLiberare, Equality Now  
**EMPOWERING WOMEN, PROTECTING FUTURES: TACKLING ONLINE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION THROUGH TECHNOLOGY AND LEGAL FRAMEWORKS**  
12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** [newyork-onu@mae.ro](mailto:newyork-onu@mae.ro)

Concept Note  
Save the Date  
Event Poster

- Czechia  
**IT ALL COMES DOWN TO MONEY! CARE, THE VALUE OF WORK & THE MULTIFACETED PAY GAP: INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS FOR THE SAME OLD CHALLENGES FOR WOMEN AS CAREGIVERS UNDER THE NEW CONDITIONS OF THE RAPIDLY CHANGING GLOBAL ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT**  
12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** [petra.kaplanova@mzv.gov.cz](mailto:petra.kaplanova@mzv.gov.cz)

*This side event will:*

1. Explore the interconnectedness of caregiving, economic participation, and gender pay disparities in the context of global economic changes.
2. Highlight best practices and innovative solutions, particularly in labour market flexibility, pay transparency, and caregiving support.
3. Facilitate dialogue among stakeholders to identify actionable strategies for addressing systemic challenges and advancing gender equality.

Side event flyer  
Side event Concept Note

- The Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), The Permanent Mission of Italy to the UN, The Permanent Mission of the Republic of Cyprus to the UN

**NOT ONE MORE! ENHANCING PREVENTION AND PROTECTION TO END FEMICIDES ACROSS THE OSCE REGION AND BEYOND.**

12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)

*Only for UN Badge holders.*

Concept Note  
Flyer

- Organizer: Ministry of Equality, Government of Spain;  
Co-organizers: United Nations Development Program; Ibero-American General Secretariat; Ibero-American Initiative to Prevent and Eliminate Violence against Women

**DIGITAL GENDER VIOLENCE: TOWARDS TRANSFORMATIVE POLICIES AND PARTNERSHIPS IN THE BEIJING+30 FRAMEWORK**

12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

**Contact:** [sgrii@igualdad.gob.es](mailto:sgrii@igualdad.gob.es)

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Nota concepto violencia digital

- UN-Women  
**FOR ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS: THE BEIJING+30 ACTION AGENDA**  
12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Trusteeship Council Chamber (max. capacity: 673), Conference Building

**Contact:** [gender.data@unwomen.org](mailto:gender.data@unwomen.org)

*UN Women is organizing a special event on the margins of the 69th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women to mark the global launch of the Beijing+30 Action Agenda. The high-level event will introduce the Beijing+30 Action Agenda and provide an opportunity for world leaders to discuss solutions, commit to concrete steps and build global momentum towards full implementation.*

*All participants must hold a valid, up-to-date UN grounds pass to attend the event in person. There is no pre-registration for this event and in-person participation will be available on a first come, first served basis. The event will also be broadcast live on UN Web TV.*

Flyer  
Concept Note

- Women 20 (W20) and the World Bank  
**GENDER EQUALITY ACROSS THE G20: BEIJING +30 PROGRESS AND INDICATORS**  
12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

TBC

- Uganda  
**IMPLEMENTING TECHNOLOGY-ENABLED SOLUTIONS**  
 12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:45 AM  
 Uganda Mission, Board room
- Permanent Mission of Nigeria to the United Nations, Cities for CEDAW History and Futures Project, UN We Need (C4UN), NGO/NY, UCLG, WADHI and UN Habitat  
**HOW CAN THE LEADERSHIP OF WOMEN AND GIRLS HELP SAVE OUR CITIES AND PLANET**  
 12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
 How can the Leadership of Women and Girls help Save our Cities and Planet  
 Millenium Hotel, One UN Plaza NY  
 CONCEPT NOTE  
 Flyer/Registration QR code
- MenEngage Alliance, UN Women, OHCHR, WHO, Swedish International Development Agency, Government of Rwanda, the Government of Sweden, UNFPA, RWAMREC, Breakthrough, Equimundo, Sonke Gender Justice, ABAAD, MenEngage Iberia  
**BRIDGING THE DIVIDE: MEN AND BOYS AS ALLIES AND AGENTS OF CHANGE TO FEMINISM AND TACKLING BARRIERS TO SOLIDARITY**  
 12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
 Permanent Mission of Rwanda, 124 East 39th Street New York, NY 10016  
**Contact:** BY INVITATION ONLY (email [advocacy@menengage.org](mailto:advocacy@menengage.org) to register)  
 Concept note
- Saudi Arabia  
**INNOVATION IN DATA COLLECTION**  
 12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
 RSVP Link  
 Delegates Dining Room, UNHQ
- The Governments of Ghana, Kenya and Luxembourg, UNFPA  
**EQUITABLE BY DESIGN IN FINANCING: INVESTING IN WOMEN TO SHAPE THE FUTURE**  
 12 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
 Registration Link  
 Madison Ballroom, The Westin New York Grand Central, 212 East 42nd St  
**Contact:** [equity2030@unfpa.org](mailto:equity2030@unfpa.org)  
*Equitable by Design in Financing: Investing in Women to Shape the Future: This in-person event convenes the high-level government officials, UN member state delegates, policymakers, private sector, institutional donors, civil society organizations, to discuss the ways of prioritizing investments to bridge the gaps for women furthest left behind. The event seeks to explore how strategic investments can address the systemic barriers facing women in LMICs, ensuring their voices and needs are at the center of policy, funding, and innovation. It will highlight how aligning these investments with the Equity 2030 Alliance vision contributes to the realization of the Beijing Platform for Action, ICPD Programme of Action and the 2030 Agenda.*  
 Concept Note
- United Nations Statistics Division (UNSD-DESA); Partnership in Statistics for Development in the 21st Century (PARIS21); UN Women, World Bank, Equal Measures 2030  
**FROM NUMBERS TO NARRATIVES: UNLOCKING THE POWER OF GENDER DATA THROUGH DATA STORYTELLING AND VISUALIZATION**  
 12 Mar, 10:15 AM - 11:45 AM  
 UN-Women, 19th floor, 220 E 42nd Street, New York, NY, 10017  
 NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)  
 Concept note
- Mexico, Sweden, Canada, UNFPA, ACT Alliance, GIN-SSOGIE, Act Church of Sweden, Fundación Arcoiris por el respeto a la diversidad sexual, Center for Economic and Social Rights  
**RELIGION, RIGHTS AND RESISTANCE: HOW TO RECLAIM GENDER EQUALITY**  
 12 Mar, 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM  
 Scandinavia House  
 Registration Required
- Co-hosted by the Government of India and UN Women  
**CRITICALITY OF CORE RESOURCES FOR WOMEN AND EMERGING FUNDING PARTNERS**  
 12 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM  
 Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building
- Ministry of Family and Social Services of Türkiye  
**DIGITAL TRENDS: WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS SHAPING THE FUTURE ECONOMY**  
 12 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM  
 Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building  
**Contact:** [turkishmission.event@gmail.com](mailto:turkishmission.event@gmail.com)

*This side event, hosted by Türkiye, seeks to highlight the pivotal role of women in digital entrepreneurship and provide policy recommendations to make opportunities in this field more accessible. It will also address strategies for building the necessary infrastructure, education, and support systems to enable women entrepreneurs to thrive on digital platforms, alongside sharing best practices. Strengthening the presence of women entrepreneurs in the digital world is a crucial step for both economic and social development, as well as a key milestone in advancing social justice and equality.*

Concept Paper

- Poland, European Union, co-sponsored by Brazil, Timor-Leste, Togo and Plan International  
**WHO RUN THE WORLD? GIRLS' ACTIVISM SHAPING THE FUTURE (EU FLAGSHIP SIDE-EVENT)**

12 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** iwona.lula@msz.gov.pl; Simone.SCHULLER@eeas.europa.eu

Registration link

Flyer

Concept note

- Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lao Women's Union, Ministry of Women, Family and Community Development of Malaysia, The Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN), the United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific, UN Women,  
**CARE AT THE CORE: ASEAN LEADERSHIP IN ADVANCING GENDER EQUALITY THROUGH THE CARE ECONOMY**

12 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** soukphaphone@yahoo.com

*The objective of this side event is to serve as an interactive platform for key stakeholders to examine ways to accelerate progress and adopt policies that value and invest in the care economy. This includes accelerating progress on the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, in particular Sustainable Development Goal 5 ("achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls") and target 5.4 ("recognize and value unpaid care and domestic work through the provision of public services, infrastructure and social protection policies and the promotion of shared responsibility within the household and the family as nationally appropriate").*

Care at the core:

- FAO, IFAD, WFP, Malawi and Nepal  
**TOWARDS RIGHTS-BASED AND GENDER-JUST FOOD SECURITY AND NUTRITION: PATHWAYS TO ENDING HUNGER AND LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND**

12 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

Concept note

Flyer

- UNFPA, Governments of Canada, Moldova, Sierra Leone, Panama and others (TBC)  
**ADVANCING GENDER EQUALITY THROUGH SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS: A PATHWAY TO BODILY AUTONOMY, HEALTH AND EMPOWERMENT**

12 Mar, 12:00 PM - 02:00 PM

In-person registration here

UNFPA HQ, 5th floor, 605 3rd Ave, NY

- United Nations Department for Safety and Security (UN DSS)  
**UNDSS/SECURITY AND SAFETY SERVICE RE-AFFIRMATION LUNCHTIME EXHIBITION**

12 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:00 PM

UNHQ Secretariat Lobby

*Display/Photos/Video: UNDSS Women – SSS supervisors, women in specialized units (ERU, K9, PSU, FU, EPU etc.) and uniformed women from other duty stations.*

- 1300 - 1303 Welcome (SSS/GFP)
- 1303 - 1325 UN DSS ASG/Director/D/Chief, UN Women Representative (**tb**) (3-5 minutes each, re-affirming their commitment/support for the Gender Strategy)
- 1330 Photos Op / Mingle / Refreshments
- 1400 – Event Concludes

- Germany, UN Women Germany, German Women Lawyers Association (djb)  
**CLOSE THE GAPS! DRIVING CHANGE FOR WOMEN'S RIGHTS IN THE LABOR MARKET**

12 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:15 PM

German Mission

*Please register until March 6th 2025, 6 p.m. (CET) using the following link:*

<https://www.djb.de/termine/anmeldungen/2025/250312-side-event-csw>

Invitation

Concept note

- Permanent Missions of Italy and Angola, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Denmark and Sierra Leone, the EU delegation the African Union Permanent Mission, UN Women, DPPA/PBSO, GNWP, GPACC, and the United Network of Young Peacebuilders

**TAKING STOCK OF THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION THROUGH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE WOMEN, PEACE, AND SECURITY (WPS) AND YOUTH, PEACE, AND SECURITY (YPS) AGENDAS ACROSS REGIONS**

12 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM

[Registration link](#)

Nelson Mandela Hall, 305 E 47th St, New York, NY 10017

*REGISTRATION FOR THIS SIDE EVENT IS CLOSED DUE TO THE FACT THAT ROOM CAPACITY HAS BEEN REACHED*

[Save the date](#)

[Concept note](#)

- **NIGERIA**

**ACHIEVING SCALE ON GEWE THROUGH FIELD PIVOTING: LOCALIZING THE GLOBAL AGENDA**

12 Mar, 01:00 PM - 03:00 PM

Millenium Hotel, One UN Plaza NY

[CONCEPT NOTE](#)

- Ireland, Concern Worldwide, Trinity College Dublin, World Bank Gender Innovation Lab

**SHAPING CHANGE: WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT WITHIN SOCIAL PROTECTION PROGRAMMING**

12 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

[Registration link](#)

Permanent Mission of Ireland to the UN, 885 2nd Avenue 21st Floor

*Shaping Change: Women's Empowerment within Social Protection Programming will take place on the margins of the 69th UN Commission on the Status of Women, marking the 30th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration. The session will showcase research from Malawi, Mauritania, and Cameroon on how social protection programs like the Graduation model and cash transfers can integrate approaches that tackle economic barriers for women, boost household income, and promote women's economic agency. It will highlight the potential for these approaches to become integral to all social protection programs.*

[Concept note](#)

- Morocco

**ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT**

12 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

**Contact:** Ministry of Solidarity, Social Integration and Family

[Concept Note English](#)

[Concept Note Arabic](#)

[Concept Note French](#)

[Save the Date](#)

- The Permanent Mission of Armenia, co-sponsored by the Permanent Missions of Mongolia and Brazil, UN Women, UNDP and UNFPA

**EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN ACROSS THE RIO CONVENTIONS: GENDER PERSPECTIVE IN ADDRESSING CLIMATE CHANGE, BIODIVERSITY LOSS AND DESERTIFICATION**

12 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** s.martirosyan@mfa.am

[Flyer](#)

[Concept Note](#)

[Programme](#)

- World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO) and International Telecommunication Union (ITU)

**SHE IN STI - A COLLABORATIVE EXPO**

12 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** ana.vepkhvatze@wipo.int

[Concept Note](#)

- Ministry of Women of the Republic of Panama , OAS- CIM, COMMCA, Ministry of the Status of Women of Costa Rica, Ministry of Women of Dominican Republic, UN Women, CAF, IOM, REDLAC, Luxembourg Aid & Development, Global Gateway

**BEIJING +30, THE CONTRIBUTION OF NATIONAL WOMEN'S MACHINERIES AND THE RURAL WOMEN'S AGENDA**

12 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:45 PM

Instituto Cervantes, 211-215 49th Street

[Invitation](#)

- Ministerio de la Mujer de Panamá, Comisión Interamericana de Mujeres/OEA, CAF-Banco de Desarrollo de América Latina y el Caribe ONU Mujeres, Organización Internacional de Migración (OIM) EuroSocial, Misión Permanente de Panamá ante las Naciones Unidas

**BEIJING +30, LA CONTRIBUCIÓN DE LOS MECANISMOS NACIONALES DE LA MUJER Y LA AGENDA DE LAS MUJERES RURALES**

12 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:45 PM

Instituto Cervantes, 211-215 E 49th St, New York, NY 10017

*Beijing +30, National Machineries and the Rural Women's Agenda Tickets, Wed, Mar 12, 2025 at 1:15 PM | Eventbrite*

[Concept note](#)  
[Registration link](#)

- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women  
**CSW NGO BRIEFING**  
 12 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM  
 Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)
  
- United Kingdom  
**UK: ADVANCING WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT: ENABLING BUSINESS AND PARTNER LED SOLUTIONS TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY**  
 12 Mar, 01:45 PM - 03:00 PM  
 UK Mission to the UN, 1 Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza (in person attendance)  
*Hybrid: Limited in-person attendance and online (see link in flyer) RSVP required*  
  
[Flyer](#)
  
- Canada  
**PARLIAMENTARIANS ASSESS BEIJING +30 IMPACTS / LES PARLEMENTAIRES ÉVALUENT L'IMPACT DE BEIJING +30**  
 12 Mar, 02:00 PM - 03:30 PM  
 In person registration  
 Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations, 466 Lexington Avenue #20th floor NY  
  
*Join us at the Permanent Mission of Canada to the United Nations for a compelling CSW parallel event featuring an international panel of parliamentarians as they examine the progress and challenges in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. This discussion will highlight key legislative developments, obstacles, and political insights shaping effective strategies to combat gender-based violence worldwide. Experts will share firsthand experiences on advancing policy reforms and driving meaningful change. Don't miss this opportunity to engage with global leaders committed to achieving gender equality and strengthening legislative action.*
  
- IRC, MGLSD  
**MEASURING PROGRESS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS IN HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS SINCE BEIJING+25**  
 12 Mar, 02:00 PM - 04:00 PM  
 Uganda Mission board room, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uganda to the UN, 336 East 45th Street New York, NY 10017
  
- Moldova, Sweden, UN-Women, UN-Women Moldova  
**INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS TO PREVENT AND COMBAT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS: PATHWAYS TO SUSTAINABLE CHANGE**  
 12 Mar, 02:45 PM - 03:45 PM  
 Swedish Mission to the UN, 1 Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza
  
- South Africa  
**REFLECTION AND REVIEW OF GENDER EQUALITY PROGRESS WITHIN THE G20**  
 12 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building  
  
**Contact:** Jonathan Passmoor, [passmoorj@dirco.gov.za](mailto:passmoorj@dirco.gov.za),
  
- Oman  
**CSW69/ARAB WOMEN TOWARDS CREATIVITY AND INNOVATION: THE ERA OF THE INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION**  
 12 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building
  
- Greece, Women's International Forum  
**BREAKING GLASS CEILINGS: 30 YEARS AFTER THE BEIJING DECLARATION**  
**WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP IN POSITIONS OF POWER: EVALUATION OF PROGRESS AND FUTURE CHALLENGES**  
 12 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
 Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building
  
- EU and Amnesty International, together with OMCT and WILF  
**CHAMPIONING HUMAN RIGHTS FOR ALL AFGHAN WOMEN AND GIRLS**  
 12 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:30 PM  
 EU delegation, 666 Third Avenue, 31st floor  
  
**Contact:** [Katarina.clifford@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:Katarina.clifford@eeas.europa.eu)  
  
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- Cabo Verde  
**SHARING GOOD EXPERIENCES IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM: THE CASE OF CAPE VERDE**  
 12 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:30 PM  
 UN Secretariat Building, 25th floor  
  
[Concept note \(English\)](#)  
[Concept note \(Spanish\)](#)  
[Invitation \(English\)](#)  
[Invitation \(Spanish\)](#)

- Finland

**WOMEN IN CIVIL SOCIETY SHAPING A JUST AND SUSTAINABLE PEACE IN POST-WAR UKRAINE**

12 Mar, 04:00 PM - 05:30 PM

Registration

Ukrainian Institute of America, 2 East 79th St, New York, NY 10075

*Russia's large-scale invasion of Ukraine has been going on for over three years. It has taken too many people's lives, separated families and driven women and children from their homes. The goal is to end the war and build a just and sustainable peace where women and civil society have a key role respecting the Women Peace and Security agenda.*

*The war has been shrinking the space of civil society, and we need to find ways to empower and support the grass root level actors to be involved in peace building and promoting rights of girls and women. In this work, we need the UN, member states, private sector and civil society, to work closely together.*

*In the 19th edition of the International Helvi Sipilä Seminar, these themes will be explored especially through the lens of gender equality and the role women's organizations play in pushing for sustainable peace and more equal societies. The event will also look at the alarming impact of the anti-gender movement and the setback it may have in the work we do.*

- The Gambia

**REVIEW PROGRESS OF PROGRAMME OF ACTION OF THE BEIJING @30 DECLARATION: THE CASE STUDY OF THE EXPERIENCE ON THE PUSH BACK EFFECT OF REPEALING THE WOMEN AMENDMENT ACT, 2015". THE JOURNEY TO ENDING SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE**

12 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

- Jordan

**THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL STRATEGIES IN THE WOMEN ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT IN THE MENA REGION**

12 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building

- CSW Youth Forum, UN Women and UN Youth Office

**ALIGNING THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION AND THE PACT FOR THE FUTURE - CLOSING THE GAP BETWEEN ASPIRATION AND ACTION**

12 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

**Contact:** youth.engage@unwomen.org

Flyer (English)

Concept Note (English)

- UN Trade and Development (UNCTAD), and the Intergovernmental Forum on Mining, Minerals, Metals and Sustainable Development (IGF)

**BREAKING GROUND: CRITICAL MINERALS, CRITICAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION**

12 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** mariangela.linoci@unctad.org

*This side event will discuss women's role in employment opportunities related to the extraction, production and beneficiation of critical minerals for the energy transition and related sectors, including strategies to ensure their equal participation at every step—from artisanal and small-scale mining to higher-value-added processes.*

Flyer - CSW69\_Women & Critical Minerals

- Chile

**RIGHT TO BODILY AUTONOMY IN CONTEXTS OF GENDER BACKLASH: REFLECTIONS 30 YEARS AFTER BEIJING**

12 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** jstreeter@minrel.gob.cl

- Government of Mexico, Center for Reproductive Rights, Planned Parenthood Global, Girls Not Mothers Movement

**BREAKING THE SILENCE: ENDING SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND FORCED PREGNANCIES IN LATIN AMERICA**

12 Mar, 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM

Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017, USA

- Conveners: UN Women, Permanent Missions of Chile and NGO/CSW Committee; Co-sponsors: UNOSSC, Common Threads Project, Malala Fund

**SHIFTING THE SHAME: A SPECIAL FOCUS ON ENDING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS**

12 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Paris Theater

*To Kill A Tiger. Presented in partnership with UN Women, Equality Now, Equipundo and Men Engage Alliance, this Oscar Nominated Documentary, tells the story of a 13-year-old girl in India who was gang-raped by three young men, including her cousin. Her father fights for justice in a poor, rural community that is not on his side. The post-screening discussion features film Participants, Director Nisha Pahuja, Activist and Educator, Ziauddin Yousafzai as well as Global Executive Director of Equality Now, and an Executive Producer of the film, Mona Sinha. Moderated by Gary Barker, the conversation invites us to reflect on the policies dismantling women's rights and security around the globe, while highlighting the pivotal role boys and men can play in ensuring equality for all.*

Concept note

- Saudi Arabia

**CSW69 HIGH-LEVEL RAMADAN IFTAR**

12 Mar, 06:30 PM - 09:00 PM

RSVP Link

Delegates Dining Room, UNHQ

## Thursday, 13 March 2025

- Finland, DRC, Norway, UN Women and UNFPA  
**TRANSFORMING TABOOS: HOW TO CHANGE A SOCIAL NORM**  
 13 Mar, 08:15 AM - 09:30 AM  
 Registration  
 Scandinavian House, 58 Park Avenue

**Contact:** Dr. Rachel Tavernor, Gender Strategist, ACT Alliance, Rachel.Tavernor@actalliance.org

*As the global community marks the thirtieth anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women and adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (1995), this side event amplifies the importance of social norm change to advance gender equality. At times the role that faith-based actors have played in transforming social norms in the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action has been overlooked, yet they play a critical role in both advancing and hindering progress towards gender equality. This Side Event launches a new report, which focuses on critical areas of concern such as the human rights of women, women's access to education, and women in power and decision making. The study maps and analyses the global landscape, including how social norm change by faith-based actors contributes to policy forums, sustainable development programmes and in response to conflict and climate induced crises. Local faith-based actors from diverse regions will share best practices in critical areas of social norm change. This side event will illustrate why faith-based actors are critical stakeholders in work for gender equality and why investment in social norm change is essential for achieving the implementation of the Beijing Platform of Action.*

Concept

- Government of Mexico, Government of Costa Rica, UNFPA, Equality Now  
**ADVANCING JUSTICE FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE: ADDRESSING BARRIERS IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION AND REGIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTRUMENTS**  
 13 Mar, 08:30 AM - 09:45 AM  
 Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017, USA
- EU, Sierra Leone, the African Union, and the Global Network Against Food Crises (GNAFC), in collaboration with FAO and WFP  
**ADDRESSING THE INTERLINKAGES OF CONFLICT, HUNGER AND THE DISPROPORTIONATE EFFECTS ON WOMEN AND GIRLS**  
 13 Mar, 09:00 AM - 10:30 AM  
 EU Delegation to the UN, 666 Third Avenue, 31st floor

**Contact:** Amelie Lohmann – amelie.lohmann@eeas.europa.eu

Concept Note

- Austria, Ecuador, Italy, Bahá'í International Community, ChildFund Alliance, Equimundo, IBVM, Plan International, Save the Children International, Women's Refugee Commission  
**CHILDREN AND THE PROMISE OF GENDER EQUALITY: ACHIEVING SHARED CARE RESPONSIBILITIES AND ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE AT BEIJING+30**  
 13 Mar, 09:15 AM - 10:45 AM  
 Registration (in-person and virtual)  
 Bahá'í International Community, 866 United Nations Plaza #120, New York, NY 10017

Concept Note

- Austria, Bahá'í International Community, ChildFund Alliance, Equimundo, Plan International, Women's Refugee Commission  
**CHILDREN RESPOND TO THE PROMISE OF GENDER EQUALITY: ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE THROUGH SHARED CARE RESPONSIBILITIES AND HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT AT BEIJING+30**  
 13 Mar, 09:15 AM - 10:45 AM  
 Baha'í International Community, 866 United Nations Plaza #120, New York, NY 10017

- Cambodia, Mexico, Chile, Brazil, ESCAP, ECLAC, ESCWA, with the support of Global Alliance for Care (GAC)  
**TRANSFORMING CARE SYSTEMS FOR A CHANGING WORLD: A SOUTH-SOUTH DIALOGUE**  
 13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

Flyer - Invitation  
 Concept Note (Final)

- Zimbabwe  
**UPHOLDING LEGACY OF THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN**  
 13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

Concept Note  
 Programme

- Chile, Senegal, Kingdom of the Netherlands, UN Women  
**FIRST MEETING OF THE HIGH-LEVEL NETWORK ON GENDER-RESPONSIVE POLICING: 'BUILDING COMMITMENT ON GENDER-RESPONSIVE POLICING'**  
 13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room 7 (max. capacity: 114), General Assembly Building  
 By invitation only

**Contact:** grpsecretariat@unwomen.org

- Permanent Mission of Japan to the United Nations, the National Women's Committee of the United Nations NGOs, the International Women's Year Liaison Group (IWYLG), and JAWW (Japan Women's Watch)

**WHAT CAN NGOS DO TO PROMOTE THE CONCEPT OF WPS TO OUR GLOBAL AUDIENCE?**

13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** un-ngo@un-ngoipwomen.org

Flyer  
Registration link  
UN WebTV Broadcasting

- African Union, UN Women ESARO, Government of Uganda and FEMNET

**A CALL TO REVITALIZE CSW: FINDINGS OF A STUDY**

13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** kebedech.nigussie@unwomen.org

*UN Women ESARO commissioned a study to assess the implementation of CSW Agreed Conclusions. The study which covered 25 countries in the Eastern and Southern Africa, was designed to identify regional trends and challenges in the preparation for, and participation in the Africa Pre-CSW Consultations, and the implementation of the Africa pre-CSW Common Position Document as well as the CSW Agreed Conclusions.*

**SPEAKERS**

**Ms. Prudence Ngwenya**, Director, Women, Gender and Youth Directorate - Africa Union Commission

**Ms. Anna Mutavati**, Regional Director, UN Women - East and Southern Africa Region

**Micheline Ravololonarisoa and Florence Butegwa** - Independent consultants

**Dr. Angela Nakafeero**, Commissioner for Gender, Ministry of Gender -Republic of Uganda

**Memory Kachambwa**, Executive Director - African Women's Development and Communication Network (FEMNET)

Side-event flier  
Concept Note  
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CSW side-event flier

- Afghanistan, Albania, Chile, Greece

**FROM AFGHANISTAN TO NEW YORK: AFGHAN WOMEN CALLING FOR ACTION**

**AN INTERACTIVE DIALOGUE WITH AFGHAN WOMEN FROM INSIDE AFGHANISTAN AND IN EXILE**

13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

*Three years into Taliban rule, Afghan women continue to face systemic human rights violations, exclusion from public life, and severe restrictions on education and healthcare. The recent shutdown of medical training programs for women threatens the future of maternal and infant health, while the escalation of mental health crises underscores the urgent need for action. Despite these realities, Afghan women remain largely absent from global decision-making spaces.*

*This side event seeks to bridge that gap by facilitating direct engagement between Afghan women—both inside Afghanistan and in exile—and UN decision-makers. The event will launch **FARAGEER's latest report** on the Taliban's Vice and Virtue laws, featuring firsthand testimonies from Afghan women and a call for stronger international solidarity. By amplifying their voices, this dialogue aims to ensure that Afghan women are not just spoken about but are active participants in shaping the policies that impact their lives.*

- Finland, Colombia and Norway

**EMPOWERING CHANGE: ADVANCING WOMEN'S ROLE IN PEACE AND SECURITY**

13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Registration

Scandinavian House, 58 Park Avenue

**Contact:** Dr. Rachel Tavernor, Gender Strategist, ACT Alliance, Rachel.Tavernor@actalliance.org

*The importance of full, equal, and meaningful participation of women in peacebuilding and conflict prevention is acknowledged widely with the adoption of Security Council Resolution 1325. As we mark the 25th anniversary of the UN SCR 1325, women are significantly underrepresented in the peace process and hold less than ten percent of peace negotiator roles and 13.5 percent of mediators are women (UN Women). Yet, studies show that peace agreements with women signatories have higher implementation rates (UN Women).*

*In the current global context, human rights and democracy are being challenged by countries with authoritarian governments. The anti-gender pushback is becoming increasingly powerful. Simultaneously civic space is shrinking in local, national, regional, and global contexts, limiting the voice and impact of a free and independent civil society in peace negotiations and implementation. This sets additional barriers, particularly to women and girls, who are already facing constraints for equal participation due to patriarchal social norms and do not recognise their full potential and agency.*

*The New Agenda for Peace underlines the importance of locally led solutions, design, and implementation for sustainable and peaceful transformation in conflict contexts. Local women's groups, CSOs, communities, youth groups, persons with disabilities, faith-based actors and other local change agents are key actors in the global peacebuilding ecosystem. They have the best knowledge of the attitudes and behaviours in the communities. They can facilitate inside mediation processes and work as role models for more inclusive peace processes when they are given the recognition and space to participate.*

*Local actors, including faith and other communities, are crucial agents for positive change, as they know the context and solutions. This includes the social, political, and economic inequalities that shape the experiences of violent conflicts. Building comprehensive peace requires constant negotiation, which is perpetual and requires people rooted in the contexts to be resourced and recognised.*

*The event will discuss the requirements for meaningful implementation of the 1325 resolution by demonstrating concrete examples of increased investment to facilitate diverse participation in peace processes, including women and girls. This will include strategies to reinforce local leadership, including faith-based, in peace-building processes.*

Concept

- MGLSD, UNFPA

**ATTAINING GENDER EQUALITY: ACCELERATING EFFORTS AND STRENGTHENING PARTNERSHIPS TO END CHILD MARRIAGE AND TEENAGE PREGNANCIES IN UGANDA**

13 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Uganda Mission Board Room, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uganda to the UN, 336 East 45th Street New York, NY 10017

- Government of Rwanda, Government of Sweden, UN Women and Legal Aid Forum
- EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW IN RWANDA: GAINS, GAPS, AND FUTURE REFORMS**
- 13 Mar, 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

Permanent Mission of Rwanda, 124 E 39th St, New York NY 10016

- UNOPS, UN Women, and Cities Alliance
- GENDER-RESPONSIVE INFRASTRUCTURE FOR WOMEN'S SAFETY AND INCLUSIVE CLIMATE RESILIENCE**
- 13 Mar, 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Zoom link

29th Floor, Daily News Building, 220 E 42nd Street

*Co-organized by UNOPS, UN Women, and Cities Alliance, this event will highlight the critical role of gender-responsive urban infrastructure in making cities safer, more inclusive, and climate-resilient. By prioritizing accessible public spaces, integrated transport systems, and care infrastructure—such as childcare facilities, elder care centers, and flexible workspaces—cities can better support women, caregivers, and marginalized communities while fostering equitable and sustainable urban development.*

Concept note  
Flyer

- OECD, UN Women, SEGIB, Costa Rica, Chile
- BEIJING +30: INNOVACIÓN TECNOLÓGICA Y OPORTUNIDADES PARA LA TRANSICIÓN DIGITAL INCLUSIVA EN IBEROAMÉRICA**
- 13 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

*The event will be in Spanish*

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Concept Note and Program EN

- World Bank, UNICEF, WHO, Plan International, BRAC
- FROM POTENTIAL TO PROGRESS: MULTISECTORAL APPROACHES TO EMPOWER ADOLESCENTS**
- 13 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

- Cyprus, Tajikistan, UNODC, UNDP Finance Against Slavery and Trafficking (FAST) Initiative
- "CONNECTING THE DOTS: TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS & VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS"**
- 13 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 8 (max. capacity: 95), General Assembly Building  
NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)

**THE EVENT IS NOW FULL. ONLY registered participants will be able to attend in person.**

**📺 The event will be livestreamed through: <https://bit.ly/LiveUNWEBTV>**

**#EndTraffickingInPersons**

Invitation  
Concept Note (updated)

- European Union
- GROUP OF FRIENDS ON ELIMINATION OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN**
- 13 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

- UNFPA, Governments of the Republic of Armenia, Côte D'Ivoire, Ecuador, Mexico and others (TBC)  
**A WORLD OF RAPID DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGE: KEEPING GENDER EQUALITY AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AT THE CORE**  
 13 Mar, 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM  
[In-person registration here](#)  
 UNFPA HQ, 5th floor, 605 3rd Ave, NY
- Oxfam, Uganda Mission  
**ADVANCING SEXUALITY EDUCATION FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS AND YOUNG WOMEN IN UGANDA**  
 13 Mar, 12:00 PM - 01:30 PM  
 Uganda Mission board room, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uganda to the UN, 336 East 45th Street New York, NY 10017
- - Government of the Plurinational State of Bolivia - Ministry of Foreign Affairs  
 - Government of Mexico  
 - Servicio Plurinacional de la Mujer y de la Despatriarcalización "Ana María Romero" de Bolivia  
 - Red Regional Trenzando Cuidados - Coordinadora de  
**FINANCIACIÓN DE LOS CUIDADOS Y MÁS ALLÁ: PILAR PARA AVANZAR EN LA DESPATRIARCALIZACIÓN COMO HORIZONTE DE DESARROLLO**  
 13 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM  
 Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017  
 NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)
- United Nations Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF), United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Action Network on Forced Displacement, Germany, France, UN Women  
**WE, DISPLACED AND STATELESS WOMEN: LEADING TRANSFORMATION TO SHAPE A PEACEFUL FUTURE**  
 13 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM  
[Registration link](#)  
 UN Women HQ, 19th Floor, Room 1925  
  
[Invitation](#)
- Germany, OSCE  
**THE FORGOTTEN VICTIMS: ADDRESSING CONFLICT-RELATED SEXUAL VIOLENCE AND CHILDREN BORN OF WAR-TIME RAPE**  
 13 Mar, 01:00 PM - 03:00 PM  
[Registration link](#)  
 German Mission  
  
[Concept Note](#)
- Holy See, ADF International  
**BIAS BEFORE BIRTH: SEX-SELECTIVE PRACTICES AND THEIR CONSEQUENCES**  
 13 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
 Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building  
 NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)  
  
*Please note that due to circumstances beyond our control, the event will not be livestreamed.*  
  
[Registration link \(required for those without UN grounds passes\)](#)  
[Flyer](#)  
[Concept note](#)
- The Government of Italy in collaboration with the UNFPA-UNICEF Joint Programme on Elimination of Female Genital Mutilation (FGM).  
**STEPPING UP THE PACE TO END FGM: PROVEN SOLUTIONS, STRATEGIC ALLIANCES, AND EMPOWERED MOVEMENTS**  
 13 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
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- Mali  
**WOMEN AND GIRLS AT THE HEART OF RESILIENCE: CHALLENGES AND PROSPECTS FOR INVESTMENT IN EDUCATION, EMPOWERMENT, LEADERSHIP AND INCLUSION FOR LASTING PEACE IN THE SAHEL: CASE OF MALI**  
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- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women  
**CSW NGO BRIEFING**  
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 Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)
- Anglican Communion, Women, Faith and Climate Network, Zimbabwe, Ireland, Sierra Leone, UNEP

**WOMEN OF FAITH LEADING CHANGE: GOING FURTHER, FASTER, TOGETHER FOR CLIMATE AND GENDER JUSTICE**

13 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:45 PM

[Registration Link](#)

Tzu Chi Center, 229 E 60th Street

[Event Flyer](#)

- Mexico, Women Deliver, Mongolia, Chile, Luxembourg, the European Union, Colombia, Belgium, Spain, New Zealand, ISHR, WEDO, WEI, Outright International, ILGA World and Guttmacher Institute

**CELEBRATING PROGRESS AND REIGNITING MOMENTUM ON GENDER EQUALITY**

13 Mar, 01:30 PM - 03:00 PM

[Registration link](#)

730 Third Avenue (at 45th Street) + on Zoom (hybrid)

- Permanent Mission of Thailand, ICW-CIF, CCCUN, PPSEAWA

**STRATEGIES FOR WOMEN'S HEALTH AND WELL-BEING ACROSS THE LIFE COURSE TO FULLY REALIZE THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Virtual meeting

**Contact:** [events4040@outlook.com](mailto:events4040@outlook.com)

*This event focuses on the progress of a long-term agenda to integrate women's life course healthcare into the UN agenda, especially in context of the greatest burdens of global diseases. These include the major non-communicable diseases (NCDs), specifically, cardiovascular disease, cancer, diabetes, respiratory illnesses, and mental health and neurological conditions. This discussion will focus on current developments improving the health and wellbeing of women and children and future directions. Mental health has been recognized as integral to health management. Speakers will also discuss current global replicable projects including a current cutting-edge technology for the prevention and treatment of cancer for global adoption particularly in LMICs, as well as a large-scale women's health research project focused on women's life course health conditions and risks for other diseases. Opportunity for Q & A will follow the presentations.*

[Flyer](#)

- Co-organised by the Permanent Missions of Malta and Finland, co-sponsored by the Permanent Missions of Chile and Estonia

**GENDER EQUALITY IN AI: SHAPING INCLUSIVE DIGITAL FUTURES FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS**

13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** [rachel.deguara.2@gov.mt](mailto:rachel.deguara.2@gov.mt)

*The Permanent Mission of Malta of the United Nations in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations would like to invite you to the following CSW side-event.*

**Gender Equality in AI: Shaping Inclusive Digital Futures for Women and Girls****Date:** Thursday 13th March 2025**Time:** 15:00 - 16:15**Location:** Conference Room A**Background Note**

*Artificial Intelligence is transforming societies, but its development and application are not immune to gender bias. This side event will delve into how AI can perpetuate or challenge gender inequalities, with a focus on policy frameworks, the role of women in AI, and actionable strategies for fostering inclusive digital ecosystems.*

*Through insights from policymakers, international institutions, and AI experts, we aim to inspire innovative solutions that ensure AI systems work equitably for everyone. Join us in advancing gender equality in the digital age.*

*Join us for a critical discussion on the intersection of gender equality and Artificial Intelligence (AI). This event will explore how AI systems impact women and marginalised groups, highlight policy frameworks for gender-inclusive AI, and emphasise the importance of empowering women in STEM fields.*

*Together, let's shape a future where AI is ethical, inclusive, and fair for everyone.*

Kindly register via this link - <https://forms.office.com/e/Qw0auhKg3p?origin=iprLink>

We look forward to your participation in this important conversation.

Agenda  
Invite  
Registration link

- UN Women and Regional CSO Steering Committees for Beijing+30  
**REFLECTIONS AND RESOLVE: CIVIL SOCIETY PATHWAYS TO PUSH FORWARD FOR GENDER EQUALITY**  
13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 2 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building  
**Contact:** <https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=RAfNKxiefUifw8mjJSIL6LLFJTbApK5NjGMculKkMgNUMKE3N1NOM1hCUEk1WThJV1RVMzhZSTeZNC4u>

*This side-event offers an invaluable opportunity to unite civil society voices across the regions, including Generation Equality stakeholders, harness shared experiences, and build a stronger, more resilient movement capable of advancing the Beijing Platform for Action agenda and driving meaningful change for women and girls around the world. The side-event will also bring together youth leaders and activists, adolescent leaders, drawing on the Youth Forums that accompanied some of the regional convenings.*

The side-event will:

1. Reflect on the level, quality, and impact of civil society engagement with intergovernmental processes, and how the engagement effectively contributes to regional and global agenda setting for gender equality;
2. Share lessons learned on how to effectively work across different constituent groups to ensure meaningful, inclusive and equitable participation;
3. Discuss and offer concrete recommendations for CSW revitalization, particularly in terms of participation and inclusion, working methods, substantive focuses, and accountability processes; and
4. Foster networks of solidarity and support to collectively push forward for women's rights.

Concept Note  
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- Government of Tanzania and CSO (LANDESA, GATA, WILDAF and UN Women)  
**BEIJING +30: ADDRESSING RURAL WOMEN'S LAND TENURE INSECURITY AND GENDER EQUALITY**  
13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
Flyer
- International IDEA  
**BEIJING+30 AND SDG 5: TARGET 5.5 @ 5 YEARS TO 2030 IN INTERNATIONAL IDEA MEMBER STATES AND PARTNER COUNTRIES REFLECTIONS/STATUS**  
13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Agenda**

>> Welcome and Introductory Remarks by Moderator Rumbidzai Kandawasvika-Nhundu, Principal Adviser, Democracy and Inclusion, International IDEA

**Featured Panelists**

>> Hon. Jean Mounawauza Sendeza, Minister of Gender, Community Development and Social Welfare, Malawi

>> Ministry of Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities, South Africa (TBC)

>> OlaOluwa Olawumi Programme Manager, Democracy, Rule of Law and Gender Democratic Governance, Delegation of the European Union to the Federal Republic of Nigeria and ECOWAS

[Register Here](#)

- OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), with the support of the European Union, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Finland, Germany & Lithuania  
**MEN POLITICIANS AS TRANSFORMATIVE ACTORS FOR GENDER EQUALITY IN POLITICS**  
13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:30 PM  
Few seats are left for those who work directly on advancing gender equality in politics & engaging male politicians. Register here.  
Delegation of the European Union to the United Nations, 666 Third Avenue, 31st Floor  
**Contact:** [sasa.gavric@odihhr.pl](mailto:sasa.gavric@odihhr.pl)

Follow the side event also via the [LIVE stream](#).

This side event will provide a unique contribution to the 69th Commission on the Status of Women, by

*- Facilitating exchange among male and female politicians, and representatives of women's movements, civil society organisations, governmental gender equality bodies and international organizations, and raising awareness among existing practices, initiatives and programmes on engaging men politicians for gender equality in politics;*

- Advocating for a stronger focus on engaging men politicians for gender equality in politics in future policy and programme developments, as a precondition for a full transformation of politics and towards the achievement of gender equality overall, as well as countering to the gender equality backsliding;
- Presenting action-oriented guidance as part of ODIHR's Sarajevo Tool for Engaging Male Politicians in Achieving Gender Equality in Politics

Learn more about ODIHR's work on gender equality in politics: [Gender equality | ODIHR](#)

Find out how ODIHR can support your parliament, political parties, governmental bodies for gender equality and civil society to advance gender equality in politics & promote gender-responsive governance: [ODIHR factsheet on gender and politics](#)

Concept note and agenda  
Promotional poster

- Permanent Missions of Nigeria and Uganda to the United Nations  
**CATALYSING CONTINENT-WIDE ACHIEVEMENT OF GR 40 PARITY TARGETS, IN LINE WITH WOMEN'S EQUAL AND INCLUSIVE REPRESENTATION IN DECISION-MAKING SYSTEMS IN THE BPFA, AFRICA UNION VISION 2063 AND CEDAW CONVENTION**  
13 Mar, 03:00 PM - 05:00 PM  
African Union Conference Centre

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CONCEPT NOTE

- Member State: United States of America  
Center for Family and Human Rights (C-Fam)  
The Heritage Foundation  
**AMPLIFYING YOUR VOICE: CSWF2025: EMPOWERING WOMEN, EMBRACING FAMILIES - THE GENDER IDEOLOGY ASSAULT ON WOMEN AND THE FAMILY**  
13 Mar, 03:30 PM - 04:50 PM  
Millenium Hotel, Landmark Room

**Background:**

*What should parents do when their child or adolescent says they were born in the wrong body? It is a question that parents and policymakers are increasingly facing around the world because of the exponential growth of children and adolescents manifesting gender dysphoria. This phenomenon has been noted in many countries as a major challenge to the protection of the physical and mental health of children. It raises questions about the ability of children to consent to treatments that are life-altering such as hormones and surgeries. It raises questions about the role of the state. Some states now deprive parents of custody when they deny their children access to so-called "gender-affirming care." Many countries who pioneered transgender medical protocols are now banning the procedures. It also raises questions about the role of educators as well as traditional and social media. In many cases, a direct correlation between the spread of transgender ideology in schools and social media and the dramatic rise in cases of children and adolescents who manifest gender has been observed.*

*This event will discuss these recent trends from the perspective of parents, children and adolescents, medical practitioners, and human rights advocates.*

**PROGRAM**

Welcome Statement by Member State Co-Sponsor

**CONFIRMED PANELISTS**

1. Testimonial of Maia Poet, an American activist who opposes gender-affirming care for minors and supports bans on such care following her own detransition.
  2. "Why gender ideology is a mortal threat to children and families," Jay Richards, Ph.D., The Heritage Foundation
  3. "How I rescued my daughter from Transgenderism," Erin Friday, Daughter was introduced to transgender ideology in a sex-ed class in seventh grade. Supports parental notification bill to require school to notify parents when a child is demonstrating gender confusion.
  4. "The current legal landscape around the globe – children's rights v parental rights." Stefano Gennarini, J.D., VP for Legal Studies, C-Fam
- Moderator: Lisa Correnti, Executive Vice President, C-Fam

Event Flyer

- Government Offices of Sweden, UN Women  
**UNLOCKING THE POWER OF GENDER DATA: DRIVING IMPACT THROUGH STRATEGIC FINANCING**  
13 Mar, 03:30 PM - 05:00 PM  
Registration link  
UN Women Headquarters, 19th floor, The News Building, 220 E 42nd St, New York, NY 10017

Concept note  
Flyer

- UN Women  
**RIGHTS, EQUALITY, AND EMPOWERMENT FOR ALL GIRLS**  
13 Mar, 04:00 PM - 05:15 PM  
By invitation only

Contact: [youth.engage@unwomen.org](mailto:youth.engage@unwomen.org)

Concept note (English)

- Ministry of Woman, Family and Children and OECD  
**HOW THE SIGI ADVANCES GENDER EQUALITY AND POSITIVE MASCULINITY IN AFRICA: FOCUS ON CÔTE D'IVOIRE**  
13 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
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Contact: [cotedivoiremission@yahoo.com](mailto:cotedivoiremission@yahoo.com)

Concept Note  
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Flyer french

- Ministry of Women of the Dominican Republic and Development Bank of Latin America and the Caribbean (CAF)

**PROGRESS, CHALLENGES, AND FUTURE PROSPECTS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION IN CENTRAL AMERICA**

13 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** Ysabel Padilla, Minister Counsellor. email: isabelpadilla.mprdunog@gmail.com

Nota conceptual evento - español

Nota Conceptual - inglés

- International Trade Centre (UN/WTO), GSMA, the Government of the Philippines

**FROM COMMITMENT TO IMPLEMENTATION: ADDRESSING THE DIGITAL GENDER GAP TO ADVANCE THE BEIJING +30 POLITICAL DECLARATION**

13 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

*Please register here:* <https://forms.gle/1us8ptfXguwfsJtAA>

Event Flyer

GSMA ITC Philippines Concept note CSW69

- Ireland, Chile, Global Labor Justice, ILO and UN Women

**ACHIEVING GENDER EQUALITY: BEIJING+30 AND ILO CONVENTION 190**

13 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

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Concept Note - Accelerating Gender Equality: Beijing+30 and ILO C190

Registration Link

- Ministry of Women of Brazil

**WOMEN IN THE GLOBAL ALLIANCE AGAINST HUNGER AND POVERTY**

13 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** TBC

Concept Note

- UNSRC Symphony Orchestra  
in partnership with United Voices 4 Peace

**GLOBAL WOMEN IN MUSIC 2025**

13 Mar, 07:30 PM - 09:20 PM

NYU Skirball, 566 LaGuardia Place, New York

*UN Symphony Orchestra**Esperanza and Josefa de Velasco (Mexico), guest conductors***On the programme:***Emilie Mayer (Germany) – Overture "Faust"**Michiru Ōshima (Japan) – "Dual Rhapsodies"**Audrey Morse (USA) – "Reconciliation"**Nazira Wali (Afghanistan) – "Endless"**Esperanza and Josefa de Velasco (Mexico) – "Voladores"**Nkeiru Okoye (Nigeria / USA) – "Voices Shouting Out"**For tickets, visit [tickets.nyu.edu/globalwomeninmusic](https://tickets.nyu.edu/globalwomeninmusic)**Special discount: get \$8 discount by using code **un8off*****Friday, 14 March 2025**

- Government of Mexico, Alianza Global por los Cuidados, ILSB - México

**ECONOMÍAS DEL CUIDADO PARA LA EQUIDAD DE GÉNERO Y LA REDUCCIÓN DE LA POBREZA DE LAS MUJERES Y NIÑAS**

14 Mar, 08:00 AM - 09:45 AM

Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017

- Brazil, Canada, OECD, ILO and UN Women

**EQUAL PAY FOR WORK OF EQUAL VALUE: UNLOCKING WOMEN'S POTENTIAL ACROSS THE LIFE CYCLE – ENSURING THE CONDITIONS FOR EQUAL PAY FOR WORK OF EQUAL VALUE AND ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT IN ALL STAGES OF LIFE**

14 Mar, 08:30 AM - 09:45 AM

In-person participation registration

Rockefeller Foundation's NYC Convening Center, 420 5th Ave - Between 37th&amp;38th Streets, New York

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Online participation

- Germany

**AMPLIFYING VOICES AND LEADERSHIP OF WOMEN-LED ORGANIZATIONS IN HUMANITARIAN GBV-RESPONSE – A DIALOGUE ABOUT EXPECTATIONS AND REALITIES**

14 Mar, 09:00 AM - 10:15 AM

Register by 12 March 9:00 am

German Mission

Concept note  
Flyer

- Islamic Development Bank

**ISLAMIC DEVELOPMENT BANK: LIVES AND LIVELIHOODS FUND**

14 Mar, 09:00 AM - 11:00 AM

UN Delegates Dining Hall West Terrace

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- UN Women with the UN Secretary-General's Envoy on Technology and the Digital Public Goods Alliance

**MAKING DIGITAL PUBLIC INFRASTRUCTURE WORK FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS: A LIFE CYCLE APPROACH**

**COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN VIRTUAL SIDE-EVENT**

14 Mar, 09:30 AM - 10:45 AM

Virtual Event, please see flyer for registration / zoom link

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View Programme

- Asia Pacific Women's Watch (APWW), Cities for CEDAW, Southeast Asia Women's Watch (SEAWWatch) in partnership with UN Women

**30 YEARS OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION: LOOKING BACK, PUSHING FORWARD**

14 Mar, 09:30 AM - 11:30 AM

Harvard Club, 35 W 44th Street, New York

*A panel of Beijing veterans who played key roles at the UN Fourth World Conference on Women will look back at the Conference and at the Platform for Action and share their thoughts on the significance of these today. The panel will tackle the accomplishments of the Conference, most controversial issues, lessons learned, state of implementation of the Platform, promises kept and promises broken, and recommended steps to move its full implementation forward.*

*Note: Please download the poster with the QR code, which needs to be presented to security for entry to the event.*

Poster  
QR code

- Permanent Mission of Myanmar to the United Nations, Permanent Missions of Finland, France, Norway, Gender Equality Network (GEN), International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN), Women's Leagues of Burma, Women Peace Network, Women Advocacy Coalition –

**BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION 30+ YEARS AND BEYOND: A CRITICAL REVIEW AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS FOR MYANMAR**

14 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

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Concept Note  
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- Senegal

**COMMENT "LA VISION 2050" FERA AVANCER L'ÉGALITÉ DES SEXES ET L'AUTONOMISATION DES FEMMES AU SÉNÉGAL.**

14 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** paplaye999@gmail.com

- Organizer: UNRISD

Co-organizers: Government of Chile, Government of Spain

**FROM GENDER MAINSTREAMING TO FEMINIST DEVELOPMENT POLICIES:**

**30 YEARS OF INTEGRATION OF GENDER IN DEVELOPMENT**

14 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

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**Contact:** maria.estrada@un.org

*From gender mainstreaming to feminist development policies: 30 Years of integration of gender in development. Reflections, challenges and strategies for transformative feminist action*

*In the past three decades, the global discourse on gender equality has undergone profound shifts. From the adoption of the Beijing Platform for Action to the current advocacy for feminist development policies, this journey reflects evolving understandings of justice, equity and inclusion. This event invites us to rethink the integration of gender into development policies, moving beyond mainstreaming toward transformative feminist approaches that address structural inequalities and build sustainable futures.*

**Register at:** <https://forms.office.com/e/hsQZY9dK9C>

Register here

- FIDA-Uganda

**ACCELERATING THE ACHIEVEMENTS OF GENDER EQUALITY AND EMPOWERMENT OF ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS BY ADDRESSING POVERTY AND STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS AND FINANCING WITH A GENDER PERSPECTIVE**

14 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Uganda Mission board room, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Uganda to the UN, 336 East 45th Street New York, NY 10017

- United Kingdom

**UK GOVERNMENT AND UK CIVIL SOCIETY WOMEN'S ALLIANCE JOINT SIDE EVENT: ADVANCING WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT: RECOGNISING MID LIFE AND OLDER WOMEN**

14 Mar, 10:15 AM - 11:30 AM

UK Mission to the UN, 1 Dag Hammarskjold Plaza (in person attendance)

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- The OECD Development Centre, together with Austria and the UNESCO Chair "Water, Women and Decision-making" of Côte d'Ivoire as well as the Compendium of Women's Competences of Côte d'Ivoire

**FROM RESTRICTIVE MASCULINITIES TO POSITIVE CHANGE: TOOLS AND STRATEGIES FOR GENDER EQUALITY**

14 Mar, 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

[Registration link](#)

Permanent Mission of Austria to the United Nations

[Concept note](#)

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- Government of Mexico, Government of Colombia, UN Women

**AVANCES EN ESTADÍSTICAS DE GÉNERO: HERRAMIENTAS PARA POLÍTICAS PÚBLICAS TRANSFORMADORAS EN AMÉRICA LATINA**

14 Mar, 11:00 AM - 12:45 PM

Permanent Mission of Mexico to the United Nations, 2 United Nations Plaza 28th floor, New York, NY 10017

- The Commonwealth Secretariat

**EMPOWERING WOMEN FOR A SUSTAINABLE BLUE FUTURE: GENDER, OCEANS, AND THE BEIJING +30 AGENDA**

14 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** [gender@commonwealth.int](mailto:gender@commonwealth.int)

Flyer

- Democratic Republic of the Congo

**APPEL À UN NOUVEAU PROTOCOLE FACULTATIF À LA CEDEF POUR LUTTER CONTRE LES VIOLENCES FAITES AUX FEMMES ET AUX FILLES.**

14 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

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**Contact:** [WWW.PMUNDRC-NY.ORG](http://WWW.PMUNDRC-NY.ORG); [www.everywoman.org](http://www.everywoman.org)

[Concept Note](#)

- Guinea, Ministère de la Promotion Feminine, de Enfance et des Personnes Vulnérables

**INVESTIR DANS LE CAPITAL HUMAIN FÉMININ POUR ACCÉLÉRER LA PARTICIPATION DES FEMMES DANS LE DÉVELOPPEMENT DURABLE.**

14 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** 347 839 7983

TDR

- Türkiye, Turkish Green Crescent Society

**BREAKING THE SILENCE: TACKLING STIGMA AND EMPOWERING WOMEN IN RECOVERY**

14 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:00 PM

Turkish House, 821 UN Plaza 12th Floor, NY NY10017

**Contact:** [sedef.ercetin@yesilay.org.tr](mailto:sedef.ercetin@yesilay.org.tr)

*Substance use disorders are pervasive challenges that disproportionately affect women worldwide. These issues jeopardize women's physical and mental health while also hindering their social and economic empowerment. Unique barriers such as stigma, societal discrimination, and limited access to female-sensitive services exacerbate these challenges, highlighting the need for tailored approaches to prevention and recovery.*

*The Turkish Green Crescent Society, in collaboration with international partners, has taken lead in addressing these challenges through women-specific care models, socio-psychological support programs, and advocacy for female-centered social policies. By sharing innovative approaches and global best practices, this side event aims to reduce stigma and promote recovery for women affected by substance use disorders. Please **RSVP** to [sedef.ercetin@yesilay.org.tr](mailto:sedef.ercetin@yesilay.org.tr)*

[Concept Note](#)

- Cameroon

**VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN: KEY INFORMATION**

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Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** [nbanaken@yahoo.fr](mailto:nbanaken@yahoo.fr)

- Philippines, UN Economic and Social Commission for Asia (ESCAP), UN Women Asia and the Pacific  
**NATIONAL WOMEN'S MACHINERIES: ACCELERATING BPFA IMPLEMENTATION BEYOND THREE DECADES**  
14 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** Nicole A. Montesines / international.affairs@pcw.gov.ph

Concept Note and Agenda

- Permanent Mission of Croatia, Permanent Mission of Cyprus, Permanent Mission of Belgium and the Women's Network of Croatia  
**UNITED AGAINST FEMICIDE: ACTION TO END GENDER BASED MURDERS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS**  
14 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** cromiss.un@mvep.hr

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- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women  
**CSW NGO BRIEFING**  
14 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM

Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)

- The Government of Zambia, the United Nations system in Zambia (Education Plus Partners, UNAIDS, UNFP, UNICEF, UNESCO and UN-Women)  
**ADDRESSING VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS IN SPORT: LESSONS FROM RESEARCH, POLICY, AND PRACTICE**  
14 Mar, 01:30 PM - 03:00 PM

The Orange Cafe, UNFPA HQ Building

- Türkiye, The Women and Democracy Association, KADEM  
**UNDERSTANDING WOMEN'S LABOR**  
14 Mar, 02:00 PM - 05:00 PM

Turkish House, 821 UN Plaza

**Contact:** nurbanu.kucuk@kadem.org.tr

*This session seeks to critically examine the conventional conceptualizations of women's labor that inform government policies and the international agenda. It will open discussions on alternative labor models, new perspective on labor force participation, the care economy, the evolving structure of domestic labor, and mechanisms that support women's initiatives in both rural and urban areas. Additionally, it will explore the role of women's labor in addressing climate change and shed light on rarely discussed forms of labor, such as affective labor. By analyzing regional examples and diverse lived experiences, this discussion will contribute to a more comprehensive understanding of women's labor and its critical role in advancing social justice, well-being, and sustainable development.*

*Following the panel discussion, a Women's Craft and Labor Workshop will be held, providing an interactive space to highlight the value of traditional and contemporary handicrafts as a form of women's labor. In this workshop participants will have the opportunity to engage with and explore the role of craftsmanship in women's economic empowerment and discuss sustainable models for recognizing and supporting craft labor.*

Concept Paper

- Costa Rica and The Carter Center  
**STRENGTHENING GENDER EQUALITY IN POLICE FORCES: EXPERIENCES FROM COSTA RICA.**  
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Costa Rica: Fortaleciendo la Igualdad de Género en cuerpos policiales.

- Burkina Faso  
**SOCIO-ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF DISPLACED AND RETURNED WOMEN AND GIRLS IN BURKINA FASO**  
14 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

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**Contact:** odetteniamba@burkina-onu.org; nikiemaghislaine123@gmail.com

- Government of Rwanda in collaboration with RWAMREC, Equimundo: Center for Masculinities & Social Justice, Sonke Gender Justice, WORLD Policy Analysis Center, and the University of Miami's Human Rights Law Clinic  
**TRANSFORMING CARE: PROGRESS, CHALLENGES, AND FUTURE DIRECTIONS IN MEN'S INVOLVEMENT IN CARE WORK**  
14 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

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- Uganda, Gates Foundation and Care International  
**GENERATING GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES AND PRODUCTIVITY FOR WOMEN ENTERPRISES ( GROW) PROJECT AND THE JOINT YOUTH LIVELIHOOD PROGRAMME (YLP) AND WOMEN ENTERPRENUERSHIP PROGRAMME**  
14 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** Women, Gates Foundation and Care International Women,

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- Gobierno del Uruguay, Equality Now y Alianza Regional por la Libre Expresión e Información.  
Apoyan: Gobierno de Colombia, ONU Mujeres y MESECVI.

**BEIJING +30: STRENGTHENING NATIONAL, REGIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL RESPONSES TO TECHNOLOGY-FACILITATED GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (TFGBV)**

14 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** urudeleg@mrree.gub.uy

*The main objective of this side event is to present good practices of Member States actively addressing technology-facilitated gender-based violence (TFGBV) to inspire and strengthen the commitments of other governments. By highlighting successful initiatives from the Latin American and Caribbean region, as well as South Africa and Australia in a broader international context, the event seeks to generate regional and global momentum for legislative and policy action to effectively combat TFVT.*

*RSVP:* [equalitynow.beaconforms.com/form/b632e9e0](https://equalitynow.beaconforms.com/form/b632e9e0)

Concept Note

- Kyrgyz Republic  
**KYRGYZSTAN, UNDP: ENHANCING THE INTERSECTION OF GENDER, CLIMATE, PEACE AND SECURITY FOR SUSTAINABLE PEACE**

14 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

### Saturday, 15 March 2025

- NIGERIA  
**EXHIBITIONS, CULTURAL DISPLAYS, FASHION SHOWS, MUSIC PERFORMANCES AND PANEL SESSIONS**

15 Mar, 10:00 AM - 04:00 PM

583 Park Avenue Ballroom

CONCEPT NOTE  
Flyer: Morning Event  
Flyer: Evening Event

### Monday, 17 March 2025

- Sierra Leone, Cote d'Ivoire, Mali and Burkina Faso  
**LOCALIZATION IMPLEMENTATION OF UNSCR 1325 IN WEST AFRICA AND SAHEL - THE CASE OF SIERRA LEONE, COTE D'IVOIRE, MALI, AND BURKINA FASO**

17 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

- UNDP and WEAVE Collective  
**WEAVING STORIES FROM THE MARGINS: WOMEN'S MOVEMENTS AGAINST VIOLENCE**

17 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

- Mexico  
**GENDER JUSTICE & THE CRIMES AGAINST HUMANITY TREATY**

17 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 1 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

- Permanent Mission of Thailand, Permanent Mission of Colombia, Thailand Institute of Justice, Penal Reform International, Women Beyond Walls  
**PROMISING PRACTICES TO REDUCE THE HARMFUL IMPACT OF IMPRISONMENT ON WOMEN – A KEY STEP FORWARD IN IMPLEMENTING THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION**

17 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** admin.nym@mfa.go.th

**Draft Agenda**

- **Welcome** – Fernando Marani, Program Director, Justice for All, Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies
- **Moderator** – Olivia Rope, Executive Director, Penal Reform International
- **How poverty drives the criminalization of women and girls – perspectives from Colombia and the USA** - Claudia Cardona, Mujeres Libres Colombia and Cheryl Wilkins, Co-Director at Columbia University's Center for Justice. Members of the International Network of Formerly Incarcerated Women. (TBC)
- **Launch of report on Laws that Criminalise Women due to Poverty and Status** – Sabrina Mahtani, Women Beyond Walls
- **Promising Practices - the law on alternatives to incarceration for women in Colombia** - Diego Mauricio Olarte, Director of Criminal and Penitentiary Policy, Ministry of Justice Colombia

- **Promising Practices** -- the UK's sentencing review and Women's Justice Board, Lord Bishop of Gloucester, member of the House of Lords (TBC)
- **Celebrating 15 Years of the Bangkok Rules: Strengthening support for the global Implementation** –Thailand Institute of Justice (TIJ)
- **Audience Discussion**
- **Way Forward** - Olivia Rope, Executive Director, Penal Reform International
- **Reception and Networking**

concept note

- UNOPS, GICHD, and UN Women  
**ADVANCING WOMEN, PEACE, AND SECURITY THROUGH GENDER-INCLUSIVE MINE ACTION**  
 17 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM  
 Zoom link  
 Room DC1-23rd Floor, One United Nations Plaza, New York

*Co-hosted by UNOPS, GICHD, and UN Women, this side event will examine the gendered impact of landmines and explosive hazards, the critical role of women's leadership in mine action, and how gender-responsive approaches contribute to the Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) agenda. The session will also showcase how UNOPS is driving inclusive solutions in this traditionally male-dominated sector, expanding representation and strengthening resilience in mine-affected communities.*

Concept note  
 Flyer

- Government of the Republic of the Philippines, with the support of Global Network of Women Peacebuilders (GNWP) and World Federation of Women Peace International (WFWPI)  
**TURNING PLEDGES INTO PROGRESS: OPERATIONALIZING THE PASAY DECLARATION ON WOMEN, PEACE, AND SECURITY**  
 17 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building  
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Concept Note and Agenda

- Governments of The Gambia, Sierra Leone, Guinea and Italy, in partnership with UNFPA.  
**TOWARDS THE ACHIEVEMENT OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM OF ACTION IN WEST AFRICA: A CALL FOR TRANSFORMATIVE ACTION, STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS AND MOVEMENT BUILDING IN THE GAMBIA, GUINEA AND SIERRA LEONE**  
 17 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** [alchukr@unfpa.org](mailto:alchukr@unfpa.org)

*UNFPA and the Governments of The Gambia, Guinea and Sierra Leone are organising a side event entitled "Towards the Achievement of the Beijing Platform of Action in West Africa: A Call for Transformative Action, Strategic Partnerships and Movement Building."*

*The side event will be an opportunity to present achievements, challenges, opportunities, and commitments to eliminating barriers to gender equality and actively investing in adolescent girls' potential, rights, and challenges in the three countries.*

Run of Show  
 Save the Date Flyer

- The Huairou Commission; UN Women; Spanish Development Cooperation; and the Women and Habitat LAC Network  
**RECOGNIZING AND REDOUBLING THE IMPACT OF 30 YEARS OF GRASSROOTS WOMEN'S GROUPS' ORGANIZING TO REALIZE THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION, SDG 5, AND BUILD ECONOMICALLY JUST AND RESILIENT COMMUNITIES - A CALL TO ACTION**  
 17 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:45 PM

UN Women Headquarters

*To recognize and amplify the impact of 30 years of grassroots women's organizing in advancing the Beijing Platform for Action and SDG 5. This event aims to highlight and scale grassroots women's innovative solutions in adaptive food systems, community caregiving, and just, resilient development, ensuring they receive the resources needed to mitigate crises and accelerate gender equality.*

**Collaborators:** Spanish Development Cooperation; Future of Workers Program; GROOTS Jamaica; Las Brumas Cooperative Union, Nicaragua; the Community Kitchens Movement, Peru; and Oxfam.

**Registration:** Security at UN Women Headquarters is strict. All CSW participants wishing to attend this event **must pre-register** by March 13, 2025, at <https://forms.gle/sLXGiyckhp5sBxHu7>.

View concept note

- Co-Organized by: International Organization for Migration (IOM) and UN Women  
 Co-Sponsored by: Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development of the Federal Republic of Germany, Permanent Mission of Colombia to the UN, ILO, WIMN

**ADVANCING THE RIGHTS PROTECTIONS OF MIGRANT WOMEN AND GIRLS OVER THE NEXT 30 YEARS**  
 17 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

Concept Note

- Afghanistan  
**EDUCATION FOR ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT – AFGHAN WOMEN'S PATHWAY TO RESILIENCE**  
 17 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 1 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building

- Save the Children, Sweden, Canada, Colombia. In partnership with UN Women

**FRAGILE FUTURES: ROUNDTABLE ON GIRLS' RIGHTS AND FRAGILITY**

17 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:45 PM

Permanent Mission of Sweden to the UN

*Invite-only interactive discussion*

- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women

**CSW NGO BRIEFING**

17 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM

Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)

- Cameroon, UNFPA, UNICEF

**ETAPES FRANCHIES PAR LE CAMEROUN EN MATIÈRE DE PAIX ET SÉCURITÉ POUR LES FEMMES ET LES ENFANTS**

17 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

- Organizer: UNRISD

Co-organizers: Government of Brazil, Government of Canada, Government of the Philippines  
Fundación AVINA, Global Alliance for Care, IDRC (Canada), Oxfam Canada,

**ACCELERATING PROGRESS ON THE BPFA ON WOMEN AND THE ENVIRONMENT THROUGH A CARE CENTERED JUST TRANSITION**

17 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** maria.estrada@un.org

*This session will critically examine progress in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (BPfA), with a specific focus on the intersection of care and climate. The BPfA, adopted in 1995, underscored the pivotal role of women in environmental governance, sustainable resource management, and the integration of gender perspectives into environmental policymaking. Despite significant advancements in global climate frameworks, including the Kyoto Protocol, the Paris Agreement, and Sustainable Development Goal 13, structural gender inequities persist. These disparities are particularly evident in the context of unpaid care work, which is exacerbated by climate change and environmental degradation, disproportionately burdening women and marginalized communities.*

*The session will explore how an integrated approach to the care economy and climate resilience can accelerate progress on the BPfA's core objectives, including gender equality, women's economic empowerment, and sustainable development. It will present recent action-research from the Climate and Care Initiative, supported by Canada's International Development Research Centre (IDRC), highlighting care-centered strategies for a just transition. By amplifying the voices of ecofeminist movements and grassroots organizations from the Global South, the session aims to generate actionable recommendations for COP30 in Brazil. The discussion will emphasize care as a transformative solution to addressing climate and gender inequities, fostering resilience, and advancing people-centered sustainable development.*

Please register here: <https://forms.gle/GZDQiBzwpexc8DJL6>

Registration Form  
Concept Note

- International Development Law Organization, PM of State of Qatar to the UN, PM of Tunisia to the UN and Global Affairs Canada, Women, Business and the Law at the World Bank and Generation Equality Action Coalition on Economic Justice and Rights

**RULE OF LAW PATHWAYS TO PROMOTE WOMEN'S ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY**

17 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

*Women and girls continue to face discrimination in the enjoyment of their economic rights, globally. A wide range of legal impediments in countries' domestic laws have prevented women from achieving full economic empowerment, which in turn has negative macroeconomic implications. The gender pay gap remains at 16-22% globally, and an estimated 740 million women globally are in the informal sector. Women continue to be underrepresented, underpaid, undervalued, and sometimes completely invisible in the labor market. Women's labor force participation sits at just over 50%, far below that of men at 80%. During the COVID-19 pandemic, women and girls suffered a disproportionate share of job losses, while their already unequal unpaid care and domestic work has increased, particularly in the case of women and girls in vulnerable situations. Even though the net-zero transition is expected to generate thousands of jobs nationwide, but by 2030, only a quarter could go to women.*

*As the international community jointly commemorates the 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Fourth World Conference on Women and the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, it is critical that we galvanize political will, commitment and adequate financial resources to meet the goals set out in Agenda 2030 and Pact of the Future. Furthermore, it is clear that a gender equal world cannot be achieved without women's economic empowerment. Efforts towards reducing the gender pay gap, transforming the care economy and increasing women's labour force participation must be adequately funded and prioritized.*

*This roundtable discussion will engage experts to share good practice examples and case studies on identifying rule of law pathways to accelerate women's economic empowerment. More specifically, it will focus on addressing the following questions:*

- *What are the pathways for ensuring a legal and regulatory environment conducive to a gender-responsive business and investment climate?*
- *How can legal empowerment of women entrepreneurs and women workers towards sustainable livelihoods? What are some good practice examples?*
- *What is the role of formal and informal justice systems towards promoting women's equal rights to land, credit, jobs and other economic assets?*

*RSVP is only required for non-UN Pass holders. Please request a Special Event Pass to attend the event by sending an email to [newyork@idlo.int](mailto:newyork@idlo.int) by March 12.*

Event Page

- Uganda, UNWONET, OXFAM  
**UNSCR 1325 IN THE CONTEXT OF BEIJING+30: PROGRESS AND PRACTICE IN UGANDA REFLECTIONS ON PROGRESS, AND PRACTICE IN UGANDA**  
 17 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building
- Fòs Feminista, Outright International, Brazilian Mission to the United Nations  
**RECLAIM FAMILIES: A FEMINIST AND HUMAN RIGHTS BASED APPROACH TO FAMILY POLICY**  
 17 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building  
**Contact:** olatiyah@outrightinternational.org  
 Preliminary Concept Note
- Republic of Kenya and Republic of Columbia  
**STRENGTHENING ECOSYSTEMS AND LOCALIZATION ACCELERATORS TO REALIZE GENDER JUSTICE**  
 17 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Conference Room 1 (max. capacity: 571), Conference Building  
 Concept Note  
 FLYER
- Indonesia and JISRA  
**FROM FAITH TO ACTION: WOMEN RELIGIOUS LEADERS TURNING THE COMMITMENT OF BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION INTO REALITY**  
 17 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
 Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
 Concept Note
- Conveners: UN Women, Permanent Missions of Chile and NGO/CSW Committee; Co-sponsors: UNOSSC, Common Threads Project, Malala Fund  
**FILM SCREENING FESTIVAL - LA VIDA DE NOSOTRAS (OUR LIVES)**  
 17 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM  
 Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017  

*The film La Vida de Nosotras (Our lives) will be screened as a part of a film festival at CSW69 under the theme Shifting the Shame: a special focus on ending violence against women and girls. Directed by Chilean filmmaker Hernán Caffero, is a powerful series that brings to life the real stories of women from diverse ages and social backgrounds. The series illuminates the pervasive patriarchal violence that shapes their experiences, shedding light on the systemic inequities and injustices that persist in society. Following the screening, the discussion will focus on the multi-dimensional impact of patriarchal violence, exploring its intersection with age, class, and social context. Participants will consider strategies to challenge these structures, empower survivors, and foster a culture of gender equality and respect. The session will also provide an opportunity to reflect on the role of storytelling in raising awareness and driving societal change. Chile, Nicole Saavedra (12:37 min.), Gabriela Alcaino (07:57 min.) and Karina Sepúlveda (08:28 min.) 2024.*

 Concept Note  
 Invite and Info

## Tuesday, 18 March 2025

- AfDB, South Sudan, UN Women  
**COLLABORATING FOR CHANGE: SHOWCASING AFDB, UN WOMEN, AND GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH SUDAN PARTNERSHIP TO PROMOTE FINANCIAL INCLUSION FOR WOMEN AND YOUTH IN SOUTH SUDAN**  
 18 Mar, 08:00 AM - 09:30 AM  
 UN Women New York Conference Room CR1924, 220 E 42nd Street, New York, NY, 10017  
 Please RSVP here: <https://forms.office.com/r/NwtGpMEcpD?origin=lprLink>  
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- Permanent Mission of Myanmar to the United Nations, Permanent Missions of Denmark, Republic of Korea, Gender Equality Network (GEN) Myanmar, Permanent Missions of Canada, Malta, United Kingdom, Global Justice Center, Myanmar WPS, Refugee Women for Peace a  
**BEIJING+30: RESISTING AUTHORITARIANISM AND CONFLICT—MYANMAR WOMEN'S FIGHT FOR RIGHTS AND EQUALITY**  
 18 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building  
**Contact:** myatthweaung@gmail.com  
 Registration  
 Flyer  
 Concept Note
- Zimbabwe  
**INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS AS KEY ACCELERATORS OF THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION**  
 18 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
 Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
 Concept Note  
 Programme
- Morocco

**ACTIONS IN SUPPORT OF RURAL WOMEN AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT**

18 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

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## • UNESCO

**BEIJING+30: UNESCO'S ACTIONS FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS****ACHIEVEMENTS AND FORESIGHT**

18 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

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Registration  
UNESCO's Action event Concept note and program

## • AU

**CHILD PROTECTION IN THE CONTEXT OF GENDER AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT: THE ROLE OF THE AFRICAN UNION**

18 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

AU conference room

## • Mexico

**AVANCES EN ESTADÍSTICAS DE GÉNERO: HERRAMIENTAS PARA POLÍTICAS PÚBLICAS TRANSFORMADORAS EN AMÉRICA LATINA**

18 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

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## • Tanzania

**SCALING UP INNOVATION FOR REDUCING AND REDISTRIBUTING WOMEN AND GIRLS UNPAID CARE WORK IN RURAL TANZANIA**

18 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

*Innovations to reduce and redistribute unpaid care work for Women and girls and empowerment through financial literacy and inclusion.*

Unpaid care work

## • Permanent Mission of Latvia, Riga TechGirls

**BRIDGING THE DIGITAL GAP BY EMPOWERING WOMEN IN STEM/TECH FIELDS**

18 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** tils.indans@mfa.gov.lv*As the world increasingly moves toward a digital future, it is essential to ensure that women are included in this transformation. Empowering women in STEM and Tech fields is not just a matter of social justice—it is an economic and technological imperative. The event will facilitate a comprehensive discussion on strategies to enhance female participation in STEM, share successful initiatives, and foster international collaborations.**Alongside representatives of Member States, members of Riga TechGirls—the trailblazing community empowering women in technology in Latvia—will share their insights. With a strong track record in education, innovation, and startup culture, they bring a fresh perspective on how technology can drive women's leadership and inclusion.*

Registration  
Riga TechGirls

## • European Parliament

**A 30-YEAR PERSPECTIVE ON BEIJING: ACHIEVING SDG 5 - GENDER EQUALITY AND EMPOWERMENT TO ALL WOMEN AND GIRLS - ONLY FIVE YEARS LEFT FOR THE WORLD TO FULFIL THE PROMISES MADE IN THE 2030 AGENDA FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.**

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*The side event will be divided into two panels. Panel 1 will focus on "From Beijing to the digital era: Combating gender based violence offline & online", including the EU's recent legislation, especially the landmark Violence Against Women Directive, EU accession to the Istanbul Convention, as well as the ongoing work on the revision of the Victims' Rights Directive. Panel 2 will examine "Women in leadership: creating opportunities and addressing the risks", reflecting on the challenges and successes of the last years, and looking forward to new initiatives. The panel will consider recent EU legislation, such as the Women on Boards Directive, the Pay Transparency Directive and the Equality Bodies Directives, as well as the EU's efforts towards the wider world, such as the Gender Action Plan III. The worldwide attacks on women's rights will be given due consideration.**Policy makers will exchange views on the progress and set-backs of the last thirty years, the lessons learnt and successful strategies and action plans, with a view to the final five year stretch to fulfil the promises made in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.*

Flyer  
Programme

## • One to One Children's Fund Africa

South African Department Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities

Permanent Mission of South Africa

**A COLLABORATIVE, WOMEN-LED APPROACH TO UNIVERSAL MATERNAL HEALTHCARE – LEAVING NO ONE BEHIND.**

18 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

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- Holy See

**"A SINGULARLY IMPORTANT ROLE": MOTHERHOOD IN TODAY'S WORLD**

18 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

*Due to circumstances beyond our control, the event will not be livestreamed.*

Registration link  
Flyer

- UN Office for Partnerships and UN Women

**WOMEN RISE FOR ALL: TURNING HOPE INTO ACTION**

18 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

*The UN Office for Partnerships and UN Women invite you to join us for a special event: Women Rise for All: Turning Hope into Action at the upcoming session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW).*

*The event, convened by Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Amina J. Mohammed, will feature Her Excellency Ms. Halla Tómasdóttir, President of Iceland, as a special guest. It will bring together Member States, UN leaders, civil society, government representatives, and women's networks to reaffirm our shared commitment to gender equality and highlight the importance of women's leadership in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).*

*As we mark the 30th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action in 2025, this gathering will celebrate the transformative power of women's leadership across generations and sectors.*

Watch live on UNWebTV: <https://webtv.un.org/en/asset/k1r/k1r4edt71p>

*For more details, visit [Women Rise for All](#)*

- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women

**CSW NGO BRIEFING**

18 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM

Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)

**Contact:** [youth.engage@unwomen.org](mailto:youth.engage@unwomen.org)

***Bridging Trust through Intergenerational Solidarity*** (CSO Briefing, 45 minutes)

*'Bridging Trust through Intergenerational Solidarity' is a lunchtime briefing co-hosted by NGO CSW NY in collaboration with UN Women and young feminists. This session will explore how intergenerational collaboration can strengthen feminist advocacy and drive meaningful gender equality reforms. This event will be an interactive dialogue rather than a formal presentation, featuring multi-generational perspectives on feminist organizing and policy influence. Participants will discuss lessons from past movements, evolving advocacy strategies, and concrete steps to sustain intergenerational collaboration beyond CSW69.*

Concept Note  
Flyer

- Uganda

**ENERGY TRANSITION- UGANDA'S SUCCESS IN ELIMINATING GENDER GAPS IN THE ENERGY AND EXTRACTIVE SECTOR**

18 Mar, 02:30 PM - 04:30 PM

Uganda Mission

Energy Transition  
Energy Transition- Uganda's success in eliminating gender gaps in the energy and extractive sector

- IGAD, Uganda Ministry of Gender Labor and Social Development, Ministry of Lands, Housing and Urban Planning

**A REVIEW OF PROGRESS MADE IN WOMEN'S LAND PROPERTY AND RESOURCES RIGHTS SINCE BEIJING CONFERENCE. ACCELERATING IMPLEMENTATION TO ACHIEVE GENDER EQUALITY AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.**

18 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** [cknabeta@gmail.com](mailto:cknabeta@gmail.com), [Joselyn.Bigirwa@igad.int](mailto:Joselyn.Bigirwa@igad.int)

*A review of Progress made in Women's land Property and resources rights since Beijing Conference. Accelerating Implementation to Achieve Gender Equality and Sustainable Development.*

- Republic of Kenya

**IMPACT OF WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND DECISION-MAKING POST BEIJING- LESSONS FROM KENYA AND GLOBAL STRATEGIES FOR REPLICATION**

18 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

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FLYER

- International IDEA

**PROTECTION AND JUSTICE FOR SURVIVORS OF SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE – APPROACHES & LESSONS FROM NIGERIA**

18 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Speakers:**

-> *Titilola VIVOUR-ADENIYI, Executive Secretary, Lagos State Domestic and Sexual Violence Agency, Nigeria*

-> *Fatima WAZIRI-AZI, Professor of Public Law, Nigerian Institute of Advanced Legal Studies & Founder, Safe Haven Foundation*

-> *OlaOluwa OLAWUMI, Programme Manager, Democracy, Rule of Law and Gender / Democratic Governance, Migration and Peace & Security Section, Delegation of the European Union to the Federal Republic of Nigeria and ECOWAS*

-> *Oluwatoyosi GIWA, Project Manager, Access to Justice & Coordinator for the Network of Sexual Assault Referral Centres (SARCs) / Rule of Law and Anti-corruption (RoLAC) Programme, International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance*

[Register Here](#)

- South Africa and the South African Commission for Gender Equality

**A CRITICAL REVIEW OF NATIONAL GENDER/WOMEN'S MACHINERIES IN IMPLEMENTING THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION AND ADVANCING THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS.**

18 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

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**Contact:** Jonathan Passmoor, [passmoorj@dirco.gov.za](mailto:passmoorj@dirco.gov.za),

[South Africa National Gender Machineries Side Event Concept Note](#)

- Permanent Mission of Greece  
Soroptimist International

**HOW A CHANGING NATURAL ENVIRONMENT AFFECTS THE HEALTH OF WOMEN AND GIRLS, WITH RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

18 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

- Ministry of Women of Brazil

**ONLINE MISOGYNY: THE CHALLENGES OF CONFRONTING HATRED AND ALL FORMS OF VIOLENCE AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN**

18 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** TBC

[Concept Note](#)

- Conveners: UN Women, Permanent Missions of Chile and NGO/CSW Committee; Co-sponsors: UNOSSC, Common Threads Project, Malala Fund

**FILM SCREENING FESTIVAL - UNCONDITIONAL**

18 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Unconditional - registration

Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza

*A part of a Film Screening Festival at Beijing+30, with a focus on the theme of Poverty Eradication, Social Protection and Social Services: Unconditional is directed by American Journalist Richard Lui. Seven years in the making, a first of its kind film from award-winning filmmaker Richard Lui, on the topic that affects 100 million Americans – mental health. Watch three families bravely turn the corner, showing us the power of relearning how to love. (US, 1.27 2023)*

[Concept Note](#)

[Invite and Information](#)

## Wednesday, 19 March 2025

- Sierra Leone, Dominican Republic, Unchained At Last, NGO CSW/NY, Equality Now, Clinton Global Initiative, Girls Not Brides, UNWomen, African Child Policy Forum

**NO CHILD LEFT A BRIDE: SUCCESSSES & SETBACKS IN THE GLOBAL EFFORT TO END CHILD MARRIAGE**

19 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

ECOSOC Chamber (max. capacity: 581), Conference Building

[Concept Note](#)

[Flyer](#)

[Link to No Child Left a Bride](#)

- Adaptation Fund, Green Climate Fund, UNDP

**ADVANCING BEIJING: OPPORTUNITIES AND PRIORITIES FOR ACCELERATING WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT WITH CLIMATE AND ENVIRONMENT FINANCE**

19 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

- UNESCO, African Union Commission, UN Women

**ADDRESSING THE GENDER DIGITAL DIVIDE IN THIS AI ERA**

19 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

African Union Mission

[Concept note](#)

- FAO Office of Youth and Women, World Food Forum Global Youth Action Initiative, Permanent Missions of Italy and Indonesia to the United Nations

**FROM LEARNING TO LEADING: YOUTH PERSPECTIVES ON EMPOWERING YOUNG WOMEN IN AGRIFOOD SYSTEMS THROUGH EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

19 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Online participation registration

FAO Liaison Office with the United Nations in New York, 1 United Nations Plaza, DC1-1125 New York, NY 10017

**In-person participation only upon invitation.** If you are interested in attending the event in-person, please write to: [martina.borrello@fao.org](mailto:martina.borrello@fao.org)

More details

- Government of Nepal, Government of Malaysia, Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD), Least Developed Countries Watch (LDC Watch), African Women's Development and Communication Network (FEMNET), Rural Reconstruct  
**STRUCTURAL TRANSFORMATION AND REGIONAL LEADERSHIP FOR WOMEN'S HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEVELOPMENT JUSTICE IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH.**  
19 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** Kusum Dhungel ([kusum.dhungel@rrn.org.np](mailto:kusum.dhungel@rrn.org.np)) and Rachel Tan ([rachel@apwld.org](mailto:rachel@apwld.org))

[Registration Link](#)

Side Event: 'Structural Transformation and Regional Leadership for Women's Human Rights and Development Justice in the Global South'

Kindly RSVP by 16 March 2025.

Concept Note and Program- 19 March

- International IDEA, the Permanent Mission of Canada to the UN  
**CONSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATIONS: WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION IN CONSTITUTION-MAKING AND STATE-BUILDING IN TIMES OF CONFLICT AND TRANSITION**  
19 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

For more information and agenda: <https://www.idea.int/events/constitutional-transformations-womens-participation-constitution-making-and-state-building>

[Register Here](#)

- Uganda, FORUM FOR WOMEN IN DEMOCRACY ( FOWODE)  
**THE NEXUS BETWEEN VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS ( VAWG) AND WOMEN LEADERSHIP**  
19 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** [cknabeta@gmail.com](mailto:cknabeta@gmail.com), Patricia Munabi

Beijing +30 : The Nexus between Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG) and Women in Leadership  
The Nexus between Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG) and Women in Leadership

- UNDP, in partnership with World Bank, Equal Measure 2030, WORLD Policy Analysis Center UCLA  
**TRACKING PROGRESS AND MEASURING EMPOWERMENT SINCE BEIJING: INSIGHTS AND INSPIRATIONS FROM GENDER DATA**  
19 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

For in-person participation

Doha Room/FF building, Floor 11th, 304 East 45th Street, New York

Virtual participation registration link

HDRO CSW69 Event Concept Note

Flyer - HDRO CSW69 Event

- World Summit on the Information Society  
**ACCELERATING GENDER EQUALITY IN THE DIGITAL AGE: LEVERAGING WSIS+20 MILESTONES AND BEYOND**  
19 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** [itu.newyork@itu.int](mailto:itu.newyork@itu.int)

[Event page](#)

- Holy See, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)  
**THE SCOURGE OF PORNOGRAPHY IN THE DIGITAL AGE**  
19 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

*Due to circumstances beyond our control, the event will not be livestreamed.*

Registration link (required for those without UN grounds passes)

Concept note

Flyer

- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women  
**CSW NGO BRIEFING**  
19 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM

Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)

- Tanzania  
**COOKING ENERGY SOLUTIONS FOR RURAL WOMEN**  
19 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building
- The United Nations Interagency Network on Women and Gender Equality (IANWGE) and the United Nations Inter-Agency Working Group on Gender and Disability Inclusion (UNWGDII)  
**30 YEARS AFTER BEIJING: PROMISING PRACTICES ON GENDER MAINSTREAMING AND DISABILITY INCLUSION ACROSS THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION 12 CRITICAL AREAS OF CONCERN**  
19 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

Concept note

- Brazil, "Northeast Consortium-Gender Thematic Chamber" (Consórcio Nordeste- Câmara Temática de Gênero) and "United Cities and Local Governments" (Cidades e Governos Locais Unidos-CGLU)  
**LOCAL FEMALE LEADERSHIP: TRANSFORMING CLIMATE AND CARE IN BRAZIL AND LATIN AMERICA**  
19 Mar, 03:00 PM - 05:00 PM

Registration link

Milbank Chapel at Teachers College Columbia University , 525 West 120th Street New York City

**Contact:** globalglobalherhq@gmail.com

*For any information on the side event, please contact: [globalglobalherhq@gmail.com](mailto:globalglobalherhq@gmail.com) ; [elpidioelpidiothamyris@gmail.com](mailto:elpidioelpidiothamyris@gmail.com) ; +55 22 98846-4117.*

*Para informações sobre o evento paralelo, contactar: [globalglobalherhq@gmail.com](mailto:globalglobalherhq@gmail.com) ; [elpidioelpidiothamyris@gmail.com](mailto:elpidioelpidiothamyris@gmail.com) ; +55 22 98846-4117.*

Concept Note\_ENG  
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- UN Women, Global Forum of Communities Discriminated on Work and Descent (GFoD)  
**CENTERING WOMEN AND GIRLS IN GROWING GLOBAL MOVEMENT FROM COMMUNITIES DISCRIMINATED ON WORK AND DESCENT (CDWD) – A POLICY IMPERATIVE**  
19 Mar, 04:30 PM - 06:00 PM  
Registration link  
UN Women Headquarters, 19th floor, CR 1925

Flyer  
Webpage

- UN Democracy Fund (UNDEF)  
**BUILDING DEMOCRACIES**  
19 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** sawanishi@un.org

**NOTE: UN Ground Pass/CSW Pass Holders only. Very limited capacity, contact [sawanishi@un.org](mailto:sawanishi@un.org) if you would like to attend.**

*This roundtable will serve as a platform to review global trends in women's leadership, highlighting community-based efforts from projects supported by the United Nations Democracy Fund. Participants will reflect on challenges faced and lessons learned, with CSO partners sharing their experiences and focusing on strategies to sustain and expand their impact. The session will also explore how local programmes interact with global initiatives, recognizing the important connection between grassroots actions and international commitments.*

*UNDEF will mark its 20th anniversary of partnering with civil society organizations worldwide. This work advances the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, which marks its 30th anniversary this year.*

**Speakers:**

**Welcome, and introduction: Annemarie Hou, Executive Director UN Office for Partnerships**

- **Ms Sarah Hendriks, Director, Policy, Programme and Intergovernmental Division, UN WOMEN**
- **Ms Annika Silva Leander, Head of North America and Permanent Observer to the United Nations, International IDEA**
- **Nigeria - Emmanuela Azu, Head of Programmes, Executive Director of Women Advocates Research and Documentation Centre (WARDC), implementing the project Effective Implementation of Safe School Policies in Nigeria**
- **Tanzania- Mr John Kalage, Executive Director, HakiElimu, has implemented the project Civics Education to Increase Youth Engagement in Democratic Processes in Tanzania**
- **Ethiopia - Ms Azeb Bihon, Executive Director of the Union of Ethiopian Women and Children Associations, implementing the project Advancing Environmental Rights and Climate Justice for Women and Indigenous People in Ethiopia**
- **Nigeria - Mr Emem J. Okon, Executive Director, Kebetkache Women Development and Resource Centre, implemented the project Civil Society Support Initiative on Political Marginalization in the Niger Delta**

Moderated by **John Gilroy, Chief of Service, Trust Funds and Programmes, UN Office for Partnerships**

- Organizer: UNRISD  
Co-organizers:  
Government of Canada, Government of South Africa, Government of Colombia, IDRC, Wellspring Philanthropic Fund, Global Alliance for Care, Oxfam, ECLAC, UNWomen, Red de Genero y Comercio, Southern Voice

**ADDRESSING STRUCTURAL BARRIERS FOR PROGRESS ON THE BPFA: FINANCING CARE SYSTEMS AS A DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY**

19 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** maria.estrada@un.org

*This official side event at the 69th session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) will focus on addressing structural barriers to gender equality, with a particular emphasis on the financing of care systems as a transformative strategy for advancing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (BPfA). Care work—comprising childcare, eldercare, support for individuals with disabilities, and domestic labor—is essential for the functioning of societies but remains undervalued, invisible, and unevenly distributed, disproportionately impacting women and girls.*

*Unpaid care work, representing up to 39% of national GDPs globally, continues to hinder women's full participation in economic and political spheres. This persistent undervaluation not only perpetuates gender inequalities but also undermines the progress necessary to achieve the goals of the BPfA and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.*

*This session will bring together feminist movements, policymakers, researchers, and international organizations to explore innovative approaches to financing equitable and sustainable care systems. The event aims to galvanize momentum and bridge the discussions at CSW69 with the upcoming Fourth International Conference on Financing for Development (FfD) in June 2025. By positioning care financing as central to global development strategies, the session seeks to advance systemic transformation, address gender inequities, and promote sustainable and resilient societies.*

*This dialogue is critical to integrating care economy priorities into global frameworks, fostering interdisciplinary collaboration, and driving actionable strategies to meet the demands of the BPfA and beyond.*

Please register here: <https://forms.office.com/e/4DhW18Kgcw>

Register here  
Concept Note

- World Bank and UNHCR  
**THE USE OF EVIDENCE TO STRENGTHEN GENDER EQUALITY AND GBV PROGRAMS IN HUMAN MOBILITY**  
19 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
**Contact:** mcontrerasurbina@worldbank.org  
Event Flyer
- Malawi & PKN Consortium  
**WHAT WORKS TO PREVENT VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS AT SCALE: LEVERAGING LOCAL LEADERSHIP**  
19 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building  
**Contact:** chirwajaphet1@gmail.com; chikumbutso.unny@outlook.com  
Concept Note  
Flyer
- EU Delegation, Sweden, Right Livelihood  
**INSPIRING STORIES: AWARD-WINNING WOMEN ACTIVISTS ON TRANSLATING BEIJING+30 INTO REALITY**  
19 Mar, 05:00 PM - 06:15 PM  
EU delegation, 666 Third Avenue, 31st floor  
**Contact:** venise.greffine@eeas.europa.eu  
**RSVP link : [RSVP HERE](#)**

View invitation/concept note  
View flyer

- Data and Analytics Section/UNICEF

**LAUNCH OF THE E-LEARNING COURSE: HARNESSING THE POWER OF DATA TO END HARMFUL PRACTICES**

19 Mar, 06:00 PM - 08:00 PM

Registration

Labouisse Hall, UNICEF, 3 UN Plaza, New York City

**Contact:** Archana Dwivedi [adwivedi@unicef.org](mailto:adwivedi@unicef.org)

*Child marriage and female genital mutilation are violations of human rights, with devastating consequences for individuals and for society. These harmful practices are firmly placed in the Sustainable Development Goals: SDG target 5.3 calls for the elimination of both practices by 2030. Effective data generation, analysis and utilization are essential in addressing these complex, persistent and deeply rooted practices. UNICEF developed a self-paced e-learning course designed for practitioners to enhance skills in the analysis, interpretation and use of data related to these harmful practices. The course will be available for free at: <https://agora.unicef.org>. Please join us for this in-person event to celebrate the launch of the course and learn more about how to harness the power of data to end harmful practices.*

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flyer

- Austria, World Jewish Congress

**WOMEN, CONFLICT, AND PEACE: A UNIVERSAL FEMINIST VISION**

19 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Church Center UN, 777 United Nations Plaza (11th floor)

- Conveners: UN Women, Permanent Missions of Chile and NGO/CSW Committee; Co-sponsors: UNOSSC, Common Threads Project, Malala Fund

**FILM SCREENING FESTIVAL - MERCY**

19 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Registration - Mercy

Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza

*Mercy. Directed by Georgia Fernandes, this is a poignant film following the journey of a 15-year-old girl in Kenya, shedding light on poverty eradication, social protection, and access to essential social services. Through a moving narrative inspired by real-life stories, the film reveals how systemic barriers disproportionately affect young women and girls, while highlighting their resilience and the critical need for inclusive social systems. Following the screening, a fireside conversation with the filmmaker will delve into the film's themes, focusing on actionable strategies to dismantle systemic barriers and build equitable opportunities, aligning with the vision of leaving no one behind. Kenya, 39:52 min., 2024.*

Concept Note  
Invite and Information

## Thursday, 20 March 2025

- PARIS21, UN Women

**EMPOWERING EACH OTHER FOR GENDER DATA TRANSFORMATION – ADVANCING COLLABORATION AND CIVIL SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT IN OFFICIAL DATA PROCESSES**

20 Mar, 08:00 AM - 09:00 AM

Virtual event

*Please register here:* [https://meetoecd1.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_QtCBjjQZQKyCY\\_SfglwZ3A](https://meetoecd1.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_QtCBjjQZQKyCY_SfglwZ3A)

- United Nations Academic Impact (UNAI), Human Rights team of the UN Department of Global Communications, United Nations Human Rights Office of the High Commissioner (OHCHR)

**WOMEN WHO SHAPED THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS**

20 Mar, 09:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Registration link

Virtual side event over Microsoft Teams

**Contact:** [kubiakp@un.org](mailto:kubiakp@un.org), [juszczak@un.org](mailto:juszczak@un.org)

Event webpage

- Türkiye, The Women and Democracy Association, KADEM

**HARNESSING ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE FOR WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT: NAVIGATING CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

20 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM

Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

**Contact:** [nurbanu.kucuk@kadem.org.tr](mailto:nurbanu.kucuk@kadem.org.tr)

*This panel will delve into the critical intersection of artificial intelligence (AI) and social justice, examining the profound and multifaceted implications of AI on women's lives across the globe. We will investigate the potential of AI to both empower women and exacerbate existing inequalities, focusing on the ethical, social, economic, and political dimensions of its development and deployment.*

*Please check the concept note for further information.*

Concept Note

- Ireland, Irish Consortium on Gender Based Violence, National Women's Council of Ireland

**GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE SURVIVORS LEADING THE WAY TO CHANGE**

20 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM

Registration link

Permanent Mission of Ireland to the UN, 885 2nd Avenue 21st Floor

Concept note

- AU  
**OPERATIONALIZING THE ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK TO END HARMFUL PRACTICES AND ADVANCE GENDER EQUALITY**  
20 Mar, 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM  
AU conference room
- Malawi  
**WOMEN, DIGITAL INCLUSION, AND SOCIAL PROTECTION: RE-POSITIONING BEIJING +30 WITH EVIDENCE FROM THE MALAWI SOCIAL CASH TRANSFER PROGRAM**  
20 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM  
Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building  
**Contact:** chirwajaphet1@gmail.com; chikumbutso.unny@outlook.com  
Concept Note
- Djibouti  
**SUPPORTING FAMILIES AND THEIR CHILDREN WITH THE DOWN SYNDROME**  
20 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM  
Conference Room 3 (max. capacity: 584), Conference Building  
[Click here to view flyer](#)
- United Nations Holocaust Outreach Programme  
**VIRTUAL DISCUSSION "WOMEN IN AUSCHWITZ"**  
20 Mar, 12:00 PM - 01:00 PM  
Virtual event  
*Virtual discussion with Dr. Sarah Cushman, Holocaust historian and Director of the Holocaust Educational Foundation of Northwestern University. His Excellency Mr. Krzysztof Szczerski, Permanent Representative of the Republic of Poland to the United Nations will deliver opening remarks. [Please register here](#)*  
[View flyer](#)
- Ireland, IPI, UN OHCHR  
**TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS, WPS AND PEACEBUILDING**  
20 Mar, 01:00 PM - 02:30 PM  
International Peace Institute, 777 UN Plaza
- ITU, WSIS, Government of Switzerland, Government of United Kingdom, International Gender Champions  
**DIGITAL GENDER MAINSTREAMING: ADVANCING EQUITY IN THE DIGITAL ERA**  
20 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
Event page  
Flyer
- Center for Family and Human Rights C-FAM and Permanent Mission of Paraguay to the United Nations  
**SEXUAL EXPLOITATION THROUGH THE LENS OF THE BEIJING DECLARATION AND PLATFORM FOR ACTION AT 30**  
20 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM  
Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building  
FLYER
- Conveners: UN Women, Permanent Missions of Chile and NGO/CSW Committee; Co-sponsors: UNOSSC, Common Threads Project, Malala Fund  
**FILM SCREENING FESTIVAL - THE QUIET DIPLOMAT**  
20 Mar, 02:00 PM - 04:00 PM  
Registration - The Quiet Diplomat  
Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza  
*The Quiet Diplomat. Directed by Charlie Lyons, this is a feature documentary film that explores the life and legacy of former UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon, including his pivotal role in establishing UN Women. Following the screening, the discussion will center on the significance of gender equality within the UN system-wide coherence reform and the transformative impact of UN Women's creation on advancing gender equality, women's empowerment and women's rights. Korea, 60:00 min., 2024.*  
Concept Note  
Invite and Information
- UN Women, Government of Spain, Government of Bolivia, Peacebuilding Fund, Joint SDG Fund, Multi-Partner Trust Fund Office  
**REIGNITING THE BEIJING+30 AGENDA: HOW INTER-AGENCY POOLED FUNDS STRENGTHEN FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND PARTNERSHIPS FOR GENDER EQUALITY AND THE RIGHTS AND EMPOWERMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS**  
20 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building  
**Contact:** priya.alvarez@unwomen.org

Please REGISTER in the registration form if you want to attend this event!

Thirty years after the **Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action**, progress on gender equality remains urgent but increasingly at risk, with global financing declining since 2020. This funding gap threatens to stall momentum toward the **Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**. In this session, we will explore how **inter-agency pooled funding mechanisms** consolidate resources to support effective solutions while ensuring sustained, coordinated financing for gender equality and the rights and empowerment of women and girls.

Registration Form  
Programme/CN  
Flyer  
Handout

- Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo  
Widows Rights International  
Commission Nationale des Droits de l'homme de la RDC  
**LOOKING FORWARDS: ABOLISHING INVISIBILITY**  
20 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building  
NO MORE RESERVATIONS (MAX. SEATING CAPACITY REACHED)

**Contact:** WWW.PMUNDRC-NY.ORG; www.widowsrights.org; www.cndhrdc.net

Concept Note

- World Bank Group, WHO, UNICEF, Sexual Violence Research Initiative  
**EVIDENCE FROM THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN FIELD: ACHIEVEMENTS AND LESSONS FROM THREE DECADES POST-BEIJING**  
20 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** Ayesha Mago

**Reflect on Progress:** Discuss milestones in research, data, policy, and public awareness that have shaped our understanding of VAW over the past three decades.

**Share Lessons on Prevention:** Examine evidence on effective prevention strategies, including their scalability and sustainability.

**Address Barriers:** Debate structural challenges, including underfunded research, gaps in knowledge, and barriers in translating evidence into action.

**Chart the Path Ahead:** Envision a future where decision-makers leverage evidence to craft contextually relevant, impactful interventions that prioritize settings with the highest burden of violence

- Malawi; Generation Equality Action Coalition on Feminist Movements and Leadership; et al  
**CLAIMING CIVIC SPACE: ADVANCING INTERGENERATIONAL AND INTERSECTIONAL FEMINIST MOVEMENTS AND LEADERSHIP IN A CHALLENGING GLOBAL CONTEXT**  
20 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM  
Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

- Tanzania  
**BREAKING BARRIERS: WOMEN'S LEADERSHIP AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP IN TANZANIA'S TOURISM INDUSTRY**  
20 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
Conference Room 12 (max. capacity: 129), General Assembly Building

- Organizer: FAO  
Co-organizer: IFPRI  
**MEASURING WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT IN LARGE SCALE SURVEYS**  
20 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM  
Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** chiara.brunelli@fao.org

In the past fifteen years considerable progress has been made in measuring women's empowerment. The Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index (WEAI), developed by IFPRI in 2010, and its adaptations have been used by 271 organizations in 63 countries.

Building on the WEAI, IFPRI, Emory University and Oxford University worked in partnership with the World Bank on the development of a **new metric for measuring women's empowerment: the Women's Empowerment Metric for National Statistical Systems (WEMNS)**. Under the umbrella of the 50x2030 Initiative to Close the Agricultural Data Gap, FAO contributes to the uptake of the metric integrating WEMNS in agricultural surveys of three partner countries: Sierra Leone, Liberia and Tanzania.

At the side event, **IFPRI** will present WEMNS, **FAO** will describe the efforts in partner countries for integrating WEMNS in agricultural surveys. **Partner countries** will share their experiences, successes, lessons learned and propose steps forward.

Concept Note and Agenda

## Friday, 21 March 2025

- Eswatini  
**MALE INVOLVEMENT IN ENDING GENDER BASED VIOLENCE AND HIV**  
21 Mar, 10:00 AM - 11:15 AM  
Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

**Contact:** Ms. Nomzamo Dlamini

- Lead organizations: International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED), UNFCCC, and Women's Environment and Development Organization (WEDO) on behalf of the Gender and Environment Data Alliance; Additional co-sponsors: UN Women (TBC)/FA

**FULFILLING THE TRUE VISION OF BEIJING AND RIO: A WHOLE-OF-SOCIETY APPROACH TO GENDER AND ENVIRONMENT DATA**

21 Mar, 11:30 AM - 12:45 PM

Conference Room E (max. capacity: 52), GA Building

**Contact:** [jstreeter@minrel.gob.cl](mailto:jstreeter@minrel.gob.cl)

**Speakers:**

- *Natalie Cleveland, Data2X*
- *Ambassador Claudio Garrido, Permanent Mission of Chile to the UN*
- *Nuala Ní Mhuircheartaigh, Deputy Permanent Representative at the Permanent Mission of Ireland to the UN*
- *Karen Wong Pérez, IIED*
- *Amelia Arreguín Prado, CBD Women's Caucus*
- *Rosalind Helfand, UN Women*
- *Immaculata Casimero, Wapichan Wiizi Women's Movement*
- *Jessamyn Encarnacion, Inter-Regional Advisor on Gender Statistics and Technical Lead, UN Women / Women Count Programme*
- *Fleur Newman, UNFCCC*

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- Government of Chile
- UN Women
- Organized by the Global Alliance for Care

**THE CARE AGENDA 30 YEARS AFTER THE FOURTH WORLD CONFERENCE ON WOMEN:**

**A REFLECTION ON ACHIEVEMENTS AND THE WAY FORWARD**

21 Mar, 01:15 PM - 02:30 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

- NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY), UN Women

**CSW NGO BRIEFING**

21 Mar, 01:30 PM - 02:15 PM

Conference Room 4, General Assembly Building (CR-4)

- Solomon Islands & International Federation for Peace and Sustainable Development (IFPSD)

**AI FOR WOMEN'S ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT: OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES FROM A GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE.**

21 Mar, 03:00 PM - 04:15 PM

Conference Room A (max. capacity: 53), Conference Building

By invitation only

**Contact:** Mrs. Sally Kader [info@ifpsd.org](mailto:info@ifpsd.org)

CSW69 AI-side-event Flyer

[www.ifpsd.org](http://www.ifpsd.org)

- Mission of Liberia and the Center for African Policy

**EMPOWERING AFRICAN WOMEN: STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONS AND FINANCING TO END POVERTY AND DRIVE GENDER EQUITY**

21 Mar, 04:45 PM - 06:00 PM

Conference Room 9 (max. capacity: 46), Conference Building

**Contact:** Permanent Mission of the Republic of Liberia to the United Nations

- Conveners: UN Women, Permanent Missions of Chile and NGO/CSW Committee; Co-sponsors: UNOSSC, Common Threads Project, Malala Fund

**FILM SCREENING FESTIVAL - BERTHA DIDN'T DIE. SHE MULTIPLIED**

21 Mar, 06:30 PM - 08:00 PM

Registration - Bertha didn't die. She multiplied

Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza

*A compelling documentary that chronicles the life and enduring legacy of Berta Cáceres, an indigenous Honduran environmental activist who fearlessly defended her people's lands. Her advocacy led to the withdrawal of the world's largest dam builder from the Agua Zarca Dam project on the Río Gualcarque. Berta's courage earned her the Goldman Environmental Prize in 2015, but her activism came at the ultimate cost—she was tragically assassinated on March 3, 2016.*

Concept Note

Invite and Information

**Thursday, 27 March 2025**

- Republic of the Philippines

**A FORUM ON WEE IN S&T: EMPOWERING WOMEN THROUGH GENDER-RESPONSIVE SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY INTERVENTIONS**

27 Mar, 08:00 PM - 09:30 PM

Registration

Hybrid format / Metro Manila, Philippines

**Contact:** MS. MARIA FE B. SINGSON ([mfbingson@dost.gov.ph](mailto:mfbingson@dost.gov.ph))

Concept note

REGISTRATION LINK

## APPENDIX II: CSW69 ACTION PLAN (IMPLEMENTATION MATRIX)

ACTIVITIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES	INDICATORS	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	TIMELINES
<b>PRIORITY AREA 1: Inclusive Development, Shared Prosperity, and Decent Work</b>				
Train women and girls in rural areas on formal financial systems	Increased Access to credit facilities, personal savings and investments	No. of women accessing credit and operating accounts in formal financial institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry of Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs),</li> <li>• Women Enterprise Fund (WEF), National Government Action Fund (NGAAF), UWEZO Fund and Youth Enterprise Development Fund</li> <li>• Ministry of Trade, Investments and Industry</li> <li>• Cooperatives</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Facilitate women, girls and marginalised groups access to public services	Increased access to public services	<p>No. of women accessing public services</p> <p>No. of public services digitized for ease of access</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Ministry of Interior and National Administration</li> <li>• The Judiciary</li> <li>• Ministry of Public Service and Human Capital Development</li> <li>• Ministry of Health</li> <li>• County Governments</li> <li>• Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs)</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Track the systematic gender responsive budgeting across MDAs	Gender is mainstreamed in MDAs	No. of MDAs with a gender budget	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Treasury</li> <li>• MDAs</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Fast track the ratification of International Labour Organization Conventions ILO Convention No. 189 (C189) and ILO Convention No. 190 (C190)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthened labour protections for domestic workers</li> <li>• Formal recognition of domestic work as real, valuable, and dignified labour</li> <li>• Development and implementation of policies that address violence and harassment in the workplace</li> </ul>	Ratified conventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry of Labour and Social Protection</li> <li>• Central Organization of Trade Union (COTU)</li> <li>• Private Sector</li> <li>• Media</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26

ACTIVITIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES	INDICATORS	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	TIMELINES
Intergenerational dialogues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Facilitation of knowledge transfer</li> <li>Fostering understanding and empathy between different age groups, helping communities address challenges more effectively.</li> <li>Ensure the needs and interest of young people are safeguarded</li> </ul>	No. of dialogues conducted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
<b>PRIORITY AREA 2: Poverty Eradication, Social Protection and Social Services</b>				
Develop the National Affirmative Action Policy	A more equitable society	Policy developed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Develop the National Care Policy	Recognize, reduce and redistribute women's and girls' disproportionate share of unpaid care and domestic work	Policy developed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Facilitate access to menstrual hygiene products in schools	Increased school attendance and reduction of dropout rates	No. of girls accessing menstrual hygiene products	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Education</li> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Provide safe affordable quality and inclusive healthcare services	Enhance achievement of universal health coverage	No. of people accessing healthcare services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Health</li> <li>Social Health Authority (SHA)</li> </ul>	Continuous
Mainstream a gender perspective in digital technology policies, including Artificial Intelligence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Close the gender digital divide</li> <li>Expand digital learning, literacy and capacity-building opportunities</li> <li>Address the risks and challenges emerging from the use of technologies</li> </ul>	No. of ICT related gender responsive policies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Ministry of ICT and Digital Economy</li> <li>Ministry of Youth and Creative Economy</li> </ul>	Continuous
Agricultural training workshops to grassroots women's organizations, and support to women and girls in rural areas, Indigenous women, women smallholders and farmers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Accelerated efforts towards the eradication of poverty, hunger and inequality</li> </ul>	No. of grassroots organizations trained/supported	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	Continuous

ACTIVITIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES	INDICATORS	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	TIMELINES
Strengthen Public private partnerships	Increased financing for social protection programmes for women and girls	No. of Public Private Partnerships signed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Labour and Social Protection</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	Continuous
<b>PRIORITY AREA 3: Freedom from Violence, Stigma, and Stereotypes</b>				
Review relevant Acts of Parliament- (Prohibition of FGM Act 2011., PADV Act 2015, Sexual offenses Act 2006)	Enhanced efficiency, risk mitigation, and improved compliance	Revised Acts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Anti FGM Board</li> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Review the National Policy on Gender and Development, 2019	Enhanced efficiency, risk mitigation, and improved compliance	Revised policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Review the National Policy on Prevention and Response to GBV, 2014	Enhanced efficiency, risk mitigation, and improved compliance	Revised National Policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Strengthen Multisectoral approaches to investigate, prosecute and punish the perpetrators of violence and impunity	Responsive system that addresses the root causes of violence and impunity while delivering justice to survivors and communities	No. of prosecuted cases	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>National Police Service (NPS)</li> <li>Judiciary</li> <li>Office of the Director of Public Prosecution (ODPP)</li> <li>Ministry of Health</li> <li>Non-state actors</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Develop male Engagement and Inclusion Strategy	Strengthened gender-based violence (GBV) prevention, promotion of positive masculinity, and creation of a more equitable society	Strategy developed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Sensitize the Media on GBV including technologically facilitated GBV (TFGBV)	Enhanced gender responsive reporting	No. of trainings undertaken	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Media Council of Kenya</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Use of multimedia campaigns to challenge gender stereotypes and harmful norms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strengthened social awareness of gender equality</li> <li>Prevention and eradication of gender discrimination</li> </ul>	No. of people reached	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Media houses</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26

ACTIVITIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES	INDICATORS	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	TIMELINES
<b>PRIORITY AREA 4: Participation, Accountability, and Gender Responsive Institutions</b>				
Adopt and fast-track implementation of the recommendations of the multi-sectoral working group on the realization of the not-more than two thirds gender principle	Compliance with Constitutional provisions on gender equality	No. of women leaders elected/appointed at various decision-making levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Executive</li> <li>Parliament</li> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC)</li> <li>Office of the Registrar of Political Parties</li> <li>Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs</li> <li>Attorney General</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Strengthen mechanisms for increased participation of women in politics (capacity building, mentorship, training, enforcement of legal and policy frameworks etc.)	Increased participation of women at decision making levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of women and girls mentored</li> <li>Number of mentorship programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Kenya Women Parliamentary Association (KEWOPA)</li> <li>Kenya Women Senators Association (KEWOSA)</li> <li>Female Governors Caucus (G7)</li> <li>County Assemblies Forum (CAF)</li> <li>IEBC</li> <li>ORPP</li> </ul>	Continuous
Re-integrate gender mainstreaming indicators into the performance contracting (PC) targets	Ensure gender is mainstreamed across sectors	Number of institutions in compliance with the targets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>National Gender and Equality Commission (NGEC)</li> <li>Ministry of Public Service and Human Capital Development</li> </ul>	Quarterly
Conduct periodic gender audits in public and private sectors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identification of Gender Gaps and Inequalities</li> <li>Gender considerations mainstreamed in policies and programmes</li> </ul>	Number of audit reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>National Gender and Equality Commission (NGEC)</li> <li>Kenya Private Sector Association (KEPSA)</li> <li>The National Treasury</li> </ul>	Continuous

ACTIVITIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES	INDICATORS	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	TIMELINES
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	
Effective institutionalization of Gender Responsive Budgeting (GRB)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enhanced resources to Gender Equality and Women Empowerment (GEWE) programs</li> <li>Enhanced transparency and accountability in government spending</li> </ul>	Level of increased allocation to GEWE programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The National Treasury</li> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	Continuous
Develop and implement gender-responsive legal and policy frameworks	Reduced gender inequality	Number of institutions with a gender policy/guideline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>MDAs</li> </ul>	Continuous
<b>PRIORITY AREA 5: Peaceful and Inclusive Societies</b>				
Evaluate Implementation of Kenya National Action Plan (KNAP) II on Women, Peace and Security (2020-2024) and develop KNAP III	Implementation of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) commitments	KNAP II evaluation report KNAP III	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Sensitize stakeholders on negative social norms that hinder participation of women in peace processes	Enhanced women's leadership in peace processes	Number of women in leadership position in peace processes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Ministry of Interior and National Administration</li> <li>Non-state actors</li> </ul>	Continuous
Engage men and boys as change agents/allies in promoting peaceful, inclusive and gender equal societies	Peaceful and inclusive societies	Number of programmes targeting men and boys	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Ministry of Interior and National Administration</li> <li>Ministry of Youth Affairs Creative Economy and Sports</li> <li>Non-state actors</li> </ul>	Continuous
Establish and strengthen peace clubs in schools	Embrace peaceful co-existence	Number of active peace clubs in schools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ministry of Education</li> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> </ul>	Continuous
Mainstream gender in humanitarian crisis response intervention	Enhanced responsiveness and resilience of women and girls in humanitarian crises and emergencies	Number of gender-responsive interventions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>Ministry of East African Community,</li> </ul>	Continuous

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			Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs), and Regional Development <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development Partners</li> <li>• Non-state actors</li> </ul>	
<b>PRIORITY AREA 6: Environmental Conservation, Protection, and Rehabilitation</b>				
Develop National Gender and Climate Change Action Plan	Gender perspectives mainstreamed into environmental, climate change and disaster risk reduction policies	Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>• MDAs</li> </ul>	FY 2025/26
Capacity building of communities on mitigation and adaptation to climate change	Strengthened resilience and adaptive capacities of women and girls to respond to the adverse impacts of climate change and natural disasters	Numbers of training forums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>• Ministry of Environment and Climate Change</li> <li>• Ministry of Water, Sanitation &amp; Irrigation</li> <li>• Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Fisheries</li> <li>• Ministry of Energy and Petroleum</li> <li>• Counties</li> <li>• None State Actors</li> </ul>	Continuous
Resource allocation to women-led organizations at the grassroots level to champion climate action			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The National Treasury</li> <li>• Counties</li> <li>• Development partners</li> <li>• None State Actors</li> </ul>	Continuous
Capacity building of women and women-led organizations with climate-smart technologies and development of digital tools and innovation ecosystems		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reports</li> <li>• No. of women trained</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>• Ministry of Environment and Climate Change</li> </ul>	Continuous
Capacity building of communities on mitigation and adaptation to climate change	Increased women's participation and leadership in decision-making on environmental and climate change issues	No. of women at decision making levels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>• Ministry of Environment and Climate Change</li> <li>• Counties</li> <li>• Non-state actors</li> </ul>	Continuous

ACTIVITIES	EXPECTED OUTCOMES	INDICATORS	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	TIMELINES
Monitoring and evaluation of implementation of climate change programs	Track progress and guide policy, investment, and programmatic decisions with evidence	M&E Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Department for Gender Affairs and Affirmative Action</li> <li>• Ministry of Environment and Climate Change</li> </ul>	Bi-annually

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**MEETING IN PREPARATION OF THE**  
**SIXTY-NINTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF**  
**WOMEN (CSW) TO BE HELD FROM 10-21 MARCH 2025**

**PREAMBLE**

1. We, Ministers of Member States of the African Union in charge of Gender and Women Affairs meeting in Addis Ababa, Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia, on 6th November 2024, in preparation for the sixty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 69), to review implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, and prioritize actions to address the remaining challenges.
2. **Acknowledge** the Commission on Status of Women (CSW) process as one of the most important normative processes to advance gender equality and the rights and empowerment of all women and girls.
3. **Call for** the revitalisation of the Commission on Status of Women CSW, including through a bottom-up approach to ensure civil society organizations (CSOs), young people, and other vulnerable and marginalised groups are heard, and their views considered.
4. **Considering** recommendations made in the Review of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for action, and all other recommendations including those made in the Political Declaration adopted in 2020 as the outcome of the 64<sup>th</sup> session of CSW, as well as the seven key priorities of the collective

strategy agreed upon and adopted by African Member States in the review of Beijing +25.

5. **Reaffirm our** commitment to implement the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development Goals, the United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR)1325, the Convention on Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW)and take note of the adoption of the Pact for the Future and all other global, regional and national instruments aimed at protecting, promoting and realization of gender equality, rights and empowerment of women and girls,
6. **Commit** to championing and monitoring priority actions for the girl child, particularly in the areas of poverty eradication, health, education, and access to technology.
7. **Also commit** to sharing experiences and best practices in addressing issues of the girl child and to champion the girl child together as a continent in the UN and other multilateral spaces.
8. **Further reaffirming** adherence to all African Union instruments related to gender equality, the rights and empowerment of all women and girls as contained in AU Agenda 2063, the Protocol to the African Charter on Human and People's Rights on the Rights of Women in Africa (Maputo Protocol), and the 2004 AU Solemn Declaration on Gender Equality in Africa.
9. **Appreciating** the efforts over the years to implement the above continental instruments and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action through special initiatives such as the Campaigns to End Maternal Mortality, Child Marriage, Obstetric Fistula, Female Genital Mutilation and Violence Against Women and Girls.
10. **Encouraged** by the measures taken by the African Union to strengthen institutional mechanisms for protecting, promoting and realising gender equality, women's empowerment and rights, including the attainment of gender parity in the appointment of Commissioners, establishment of Gender and Youth Directorate, establishment of a Centre on Women and Girls Education, the appointment of an AU Special Envoy on Women Peace and

Security, an AU Youth Envoy, and a Special Rapporteur on Women's Rights in Africa.

11. **Commend** the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UN-ECA) and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) for supporting the review and appraisal process within the framework of the partnership agreement and in collaboration with other United Nations Entities.
12. **Recognizing** the contributions of the African women's movement, girls and young women's rights and women-led organisations and civil society organisations to the Beijing+30 review process, and their ability to organize across generations to influence normative standards on gender equality and women's empowerment and rights.
13. **Acknowledges** the analytical report of the Africa Regional Review on the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action +30.
14. **Celebrate** the progress and achievements made by African governments and people during the past five years in implementing the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action in promoting and protecting the rights of women and girls despite the persistence of existing challenges and the emergence of new ones.
15. **Note with concern** that despite these achievements, Africa is not on track to fully implement the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and meet the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.
16. **Noting** that the causes of this slow progress can be attributed to persistent and new internal factors such as weak institutional arrangements, limited financial resources, negative stereotypes and social norms, illicit financial flows and persistent challenges relating to the availability of gender statistics.
17. **Further noting** the influence of external factors including the debt crisis and its impact on women and girls, multiple global shocks such as climate

change, pandemics and epidemics, armed conflicts, and a shifting geopolitical context.

18. To this end we **express deep concern** about the crippling consequences of the debt burden, climate crisis, conflict and corruption affecting women and girls.
19. **Recognizing** that inclusive development requires consistent investment in advancing gender equality and women's and girl's rights, including through transforming the entire macroeconomic system and fostering public-private partnerships with the contribution of the African Diaspora, based on the principles of transparency, accountability, and respect for human rights.
20. **We commit** to promoting inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment, and decent work for domestic workers, migrant workers and workers in the informal economy, the majority of whom are women and girls.
21. **Notes with deep concern** the existing disparities between developed and developing countries concerning the generation of new scientific and technological knowledge, urges developed countries to support technology transfer on mutually agreed terms, technical assistance, capacity-building, and financing through new, additional and predictable resources in relation to the needs of developing countries.
22. **Recognizing** that science, technology and innovation cooperation and collaboration, as well as foreign direct investment and trade with and among, developing countries, as well as international support, are fundamental to enhancing developing countries' ability to benefit from technological advances and to produce, nurture, access, comprehend, select, adapt, and use science, technology and innovation knowledge.
23. **Having considered** the report of the African Review on the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action we **commit** to act collectively in collaboration with all stakeholders, including youth, civil society, the private sector, women's movement, development partners and researchers on the

critical priority actions, to safeguard and strengthen the gains already made and to **address** persistent and emerging challenges.

24. **We commit** to the following actions to guide Africa's position in the political declaration that will be presented for adoption at the sixty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, to be held in New York in March 2025, to mark the 30th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.

### **CLUSTER 1: INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT, SHARED PROSPERITY, AND DECENT WORK**

- a) **Build partnerships** with all stakeholders including public and private institutions at all levels, civil society organisations and development partners, to secure systematic, inclusive and meaningful engagement of women and young people in implementing development actions.
- b) **Create** an enabling environment for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls at all levels of decision-making.
- c) **Invest** in quality, affordable and accessible public and private services including care services and facilities and ensure that social protection systems are gender-responsive.
- d) **Implement** programs to reduce and redistribute women's unpaid care work burden and recognize its contribution to the economy by reflecting it in national statistics and ensuring the representation of women in care work.
- e) **Take measures to** close the gap in gender statistics through improved regular data collection and analysis, strengthen the design and use of gender statistics, and enhance national statisticians' capacities to strengthen the implementation and evaluation of policies and programmes on women's and girls' rights.
- f) **Invest in** innovative ways of mobilising financial resources to significantly increase funding for the development and implementation

of gender-responsive laws, programmes, and policies to protect and promote women's and girls' rights.

## **CLUSTER 2: POVERTY ERADICATION, SOCIAL PROTECTION, AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

### **ON POVERTY ERADICATION**

- a) **Improve** the mobilisation of domestic resources and develop progressive taxation systems to ensure that wealth distribution fosters social investment and gender-responsive and inclusive growth.
- b) **Call upon** the African Union to revive the proposed decision for debt cancellation as well as the demands for reparations which would redirect essential resources towards social and economic development efforts that advance gender equality, women empowerment and rights.
- c) **Take** practical actions for the eradication of girl-child poverty.
- d) **Enforce** accountability and deterrent measures to prevent illicit exploitation of resources and financial flows.
- e) **Ensure** equal access by women to land, property rights, strategic assets, capital, and technology for improving agricultural services and infrastructure (roads, communication, renewable energy, and climate action), particularly for women and girls living in rural areas.

### **ON EDUCATION**

- a) **Invest** in digital literacy and infrastructure to close the gender digital divide for all including the girl child to ensure inclusivity.
- b) **Promote** and support girls' enrolment in STEM and scale up digital initiatives including among others the Africa Girls Can Code Initiative (AGCCI) and ensure the girl child's access to technology.

- c) *Address* the pressing challenge of the transition of young people from school to the world of work.

## **HEALTH**

- a) *Prioritize* women's access to quality, affordable and accessible health services including sexual and reproductive health, HIV and AIDS among women and girls as applicable.
- b) *Allocate* substantive resources to health infrastructure and capacity-building initiatives for health care providers, including the provision of gender-responsive health services.
- c) *Effectively* implement the Maputo Protocol in all its aspects as applicable and encourage member states who have not yet ratified the protocol to do so.
- d) *Prioritize* African women's, youth and adolescent's access to affordable, quality mental health services
- e) *Increase* investments towards setting up mental health facilities and rehabilitation centres and psychosocial support for survivors of sexual and gender-based violence
- f) *Ensure* health policies and resources give priority to the girl child.

## **CLUSTER 3: ENDING VIOLENCE, STIGMA, AND STEREOTYPES**

### **ON PREVENTION**

*Strengthen* the capacity of government officials to develop and implement laws, policies, strategies and programmes to prevent and eliminate all forms of violence against women and girls including in the world of work and the digital space.

## ON RESPONSES

- a) **Take action** to eliminate all forms of violence, in times of conflict, humanitarian, crisis and during periods of relative peace including tackling gender inequality and discrimination as outlined in UNSCR 2467 (2019).
- b) **Secure** increased allocation of financial and human resources to ensure that women and girls have access to high-quality gender-based violence prevention and response services as well as adequate protection.
- c) **Ensure** that social protection programs on all forms of violence explicitly address violence against women and girls.
- d) **Secure and Sustain** AU-led and other campaigns to end child marriage, female genital mutilation (FGM), obstetric fistula, and violence against women and girls (VAWG).
- e) **Make** deliberate efforts to address violence against women and girls in public, private and online spaces.
- f) **Promote** positive cultural and customary norms and practices in partnership with the Council of Traditional Leaders of Africa (COTLA) to advance SDG5 and the African cultural renaissance within the spirit of Ubuntu, whose values embed respectful equal treatment and solidarity.

## CLUSTER 4: PARTNERSHIP: ACCOUNTABILITY, PARTICIPATION AND GENDER-RESPONSIVE INSTITUTIONS

- a) **Strengthen national** gender machineries with clearly defined mandates, authority, adequate financial and technical resources, and the requisite technical expertise to influence laws, formulate policies and design programs in collaboration with the relevant government institutions
- b) **Strengthen** the leadership of all gender equality champions including political, traditional, and religious leaders to enable them to be models of change at all levels.
- c) **Strengthen** the effectiveness and accountability of institutions at all levels in social, economic, and political areas to foster non-discriminatory

practices that promote gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls and their access to protection, justice and public services.

- d) **Strengthen** multi-stakeholder partnerships bringing together member states, youth, women-led organizations, CSOs, and the private sector to leverage the vast expertise, resources, and networks to drive coherent collective action for gender equality women's empowerment and rights.
- e) **Promote** equal and inclusive representation of women in decision-making systems and processes.
- f) **Convene** biennially (once every two years) to share experiences and best practices on issues of the girl child.
- g) **Welcomes** the support of development partners for triangular cooperation towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in the global south, and urges developed countries to continue providing financial, scientific and technological assistance to developing <sup>1</sup>countries, to close the digital divides and to better harness science, technology and innovation to accelerate the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals by 2030.

#### **CLUSTER 5: PEACE: PEACEFUL AND INCLUSIVE SOCIETIES:**

- a) **Develop**, adopt, and strengthen implementation of sub-regional and national action plans on Women Peace and Security in line with UNSCR 1325 (2000).
- b) **Apply** the AU gender parity principle to facilitate the appointment and deployment of women to high-level global and regional conflict prevention, resolution, peacebuilding, humanitarian action, mediation and crisis response assignments.
- c) **Build** on progress to date to increase the representation of women at all levels in defense and security sector institutions and adopt progressive and attainable national targets.

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<sup>11</sup>Final Version following amendments made by ministers on 06/11/2024

## CLUSTER 6: ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION, CLIMATE ACTION, AND RESILIENCE-BUILDING

- a) **Strengthen** women's leadership to contribute to mitigating and reversing the adverse impacts of the exploitative extraction of natural resources (mining, fishing, logging, etc.) on ecosystems and grassroots and local communities.
- b) **Develop** a regional normative framework to establish institutional arrangements which are gender-responsive, and which enhance women's participation in the formulation of climate-related policies and strategies.
- c) **Invest** a minimum of 10% of the national budget as stipulated in the Malabo Declaration on Agriculture and Food Security in 2003 and the Common Africa Agriculture Development Programme (CAADP), to support women food producers.
- d) **Prioritize** funding opportunities and support to gender-responsive local initiatives led by women and youth, including facilitating their access to climate finance over international project implementors.
- e) **Strengthen** national normative frameworks such as the Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC) to be gender responsive and ensure adequate financing for gender-responsive climate actions.
- f) **Harness** women's agency by enhancing their knowledge and participation in areas such as agriculture and trade to ensure climate action effectiveness.
- g) **Strengthen** institutional frameworks for accountability and effective collaboration between ministries responsible for gender and those in charge of climate change.
- h) **Establish** and enforce gender quotas and targets to increase women's participation in decision-making within climate-related sectors at all levels.

**In conclusion:**

Different measures need to be adopted as implementation accelerators for these proposed actions to yield impact at scale.

The most important are stakeholders' commitments, strengthening grassroots women and girls movements, the existence of strong institutions, and particularly Africa's ownership of the implementation process by putting in place all necessary measures including financing these actions with Africa's own resources.

Done in Addis Ababa 6 November 2024