Executive Board of UN-Women

Informal briefing on UN-Women’s Global Initiative “Safe Cities and Safe Public Spaces for Women and Girls”

Wednesday, 13 February 2019; 10:00-11:30; Conference Room 2 of UNHQ

The recent adoption of the first resolution on sexual harassment by the United Nations General Assembly urges Member States to take effective action to prevent and eliminate sexual harassment against women and girls in both private and public settings.

UN-Women’s Global Initiative “Safe Cities and Safe Public Spaces for Women and Girls” was launched in November 2010 with the purpose of responding to gaps in policy and practice on preventing and responding to sexual harassment against women and girls in public spaces, and currently spans 37 cities, in over 20 countries. During the informal briefing, UN-Women will share practices, results, and lessons learned from of the Global Initiative, and present perspectives for discussion to help build the Initiative to scale.

Provisional Agenda

- Opening and chairing of the informal briefing by Amb. Katalin Annamária Boggay, Vice President of the UN-Women Executive Board
- Introductory remarks by Executive Director/Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women (TBC)
- Presentation of UN-Women’s Global Flagship Initiative “Safe Cities and Safe Public Spaces for Women and Girls” by Ms. Laura Capobianco, Advisor, Safe Public Spaces, of the Elimination of Violence Against Women (EVAW) Section, UN-Women
- Interactive discussion/ Interventions from the floor
- Closing remarks by Chair (Summary of discussion)