

**United Nations Commission on the Status of Women**

**Sixty-seventh session (CSW67)**

*Innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls*

**Expert Group Meeting**

**10-13 October 2022 (virtual meeting)**

*Group A: Monday 10 October and Tuesday 11 October, 13:00-17:00 EST*

*Group B: Wednesday 12 October and Thursday 13 October, 10:00-14:00 CET*

**Programme of work**

<b>Group A</b> <b>Monday 10 October and Tuesday 11 October, 13:00-17:00 EST</b>	
<b>DAY 1: Monday, 10 October</b>	
	<i>From 12:45: Connection of participants and technical check</i>
13:00 – 13:30	<p><b><u>Welcome and opening of the meeting:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Welcoming Remarks from UN Women:</b> Åsa Regnér, Deputy Executive Director for Policy, Programme, Civil Society and Intergovernmental Support <i>(5 mins)</i></li> <li>• <b>Introduction to the objectives and programme of the Expert Group Meeting by the Co-Chairs:</b> <i>(10 mins)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Caitlin Kraft-Buchman, Co-Founder/Leader &lt;A+&gt; Alliance for Inclusive Algorithms, CEO/Founder Women At The Table</li> <li>- Jamila Venturini, Executive Director, Derechos Digitales</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Tour de table: participants to briefly introduce themselves</b> <i>(15 mins)</i></li> </ul>
13:30 – 14:30	<p><b><u>Session 1: An overview of the key issues and areas for policy action – Presentation of the Background Papers</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Assessing the gender dimensions of digital inequality for policy action</b> <i>(10-15 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alison Gillwald, Executive Director, Research ICT Africa network</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Harnessing technology and innovation in the digital age to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls</b> <i>(10-15 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Londa Schiebinger, John L. Hinds Professor of History of Science; Director, Gendered Innovations in Science, Health &amp; Medicine, Engineering, and Environment, Stanford University</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<i>Q&amp;A and discussion led by the Co-chairs (30 minutes)</i>
14:30 – 14:35	<i>5-minute break</i>
14:35 – 15:35	<p><b><u>Session 2: Bridging the gender digital divide and ensuring a gender responsive digital transformation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>What policies do we need to make the internet affordable to all? (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sonia Jorge, International Digital Policy Expert</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>How to mainstream gender in digital policies and investments?</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Broadband Commission (presenter TBC) (10 minutes)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (40 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussant: Kathryn Townsend, Director of Policy, World Wide Web Foundation</li> </ul>
15:35 – 15:40	<i>5-minute break</i>
15:40-17:00	<p><b><u>Session 3: Addressing online and tech-facilitated gender-based violence and discrimination and protecting the rights of women and girls online</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Strengthening democracy and accountability and protecting women’s rights in the digital era: The impacts of online GBV and disinformation on women politicians in representative democracies. (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dhanaraj Thakur, Research Director, Center for Democracy &amp; Technology</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Addressing gaps and limitations in legal frameworks on online VAWG, and in law enforcement, including on such issues as non-consensual distribution of intimate images, deepfakes, etc. (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Suzie Dunn, Assistant Professor, Dalhousie’s Schulich School of Law</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Recommendations on Online and ICT-facilitated Violence Against Women and Girls (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Kathryn Travers, Policy Specialist, Ending Violence Against Women and Girls, UN Women</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (50 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussant: Quinn McKew, Executive Director, ARTICLE 19</li> </ul>

Group A - DAY 2: Tuesday, 11 October	
13:00 – 13:30	<p><b>Summary of key issues and policy recommendations from Day 1 from the Co-chairs (15 minutes)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Feedback from participants (15 minutes)</i></li> </ul>
13:30 – 15:00	<p><b><u>Session 4: Fostering gender transformative technology and innovation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>A Social Justice Framework for Leveraging Data Science to Advance Gender Equity (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Lauren Klein, Director, Digital Humanities Lab, Georgia Institute of Technology and Brandeis Marshall, Founder and CEO of DataedX Group</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Driving digital financial transformation in support of SDG 5: recent gains and remaining challenges. (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Yasmin Bin-Humam, Financial Sector Specialist, and Diana Dezso, Consultant, Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>What mechanisms can ensure digital technologies favour inclusion and close gender gaps? (10 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elena Estavillo Flores, Chief Executive Officer, Centro-i para la Sociedad del Futuro</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (60 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussant: <b>Judith Mariscal</b>, Executive Director, Centro Latam Digital</li> </ul>
15:00- 15:10	<i>10-minute break</i>
15:10 – 16:45	<p><b><u>Session 5: Articulating key messages and policy recommendations for the 67<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women</u> – critical areas of concern, policy gaps, and key recommendations.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Facilitated by the Co-chairs</li> </ul>
16:45 – 17:00	<b>Wrap up and closing</b> - by the Co-Chairs

<b>Group B</b> <b>Wednesday 12 October and Thursday 13 October, 10:00-14:00 CET</b>	
<b>DAY 1: Wednesday, 12 October</b>	
	<i>From 9:45 Connection and technical check</i>
10:00 – 10:30	<p><b><u>Welcome and opening of the meeting:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Welcoming Remarks from UN Women:</b> Åsa Regnér, Deputy Executive Director for Policy, Programme, Civil Society and Intergovernmental Support <i>(5 mins)</i></li> <li>• <b>Introduction to the objectives and programme of the Expert Group Meeting by the Co-Chairs:</b> <i>(10 mins)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Mei Lin Fung, Chair and Co-founder, People Centred Internet</li> <li>- Nighat Dad, Founder and Executive Director, Digital Rights Foundation</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Tour de table: participants to introduce themselves</b> <i>(15 mins)</i></li> </ul>
10:30 – 11:30	<p><b><u>Session 1: An overview of the key issues and areas for policy action</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Assessing the gender dimensions of digital inequality for policy action -</b> Presentation of Background Paper 1 <i>(10-15 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Alison Gillwald, Executive Director, Research ICT Africa network</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Harnessing technology and innovation in the digital age to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls -</b> Presentation of Background Paper 2 <i>(10-15 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Londa Schiebinger, John L. Hinds Professor of History of Science; Director, Gendered Innovations in Science, Health &amp; Medicine, Engineering, and Environment, Stanford University <i>(video recording)</i></li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Q&amp;A and discussion led by the Co-chairs (30 minutes)</i></p>
11:30 – 11:35	<i>5-minute break</i>
11:35 – 12:45	<p><b><u>Session 2: Bridging the gender gap in digital access and skills</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>How to empower a generation of change-makers and innovators in the digital age</b> <i>(6-8 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Dajana Mulaj, Cybersecurity Specialist and Digital Inclusion Advocate</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>After Access: Gender and digital access gaps and barriers in Asia: But what about after access?</b> <i>(6-8 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Helani Galpaya, Chief Executive Officer, LIRNEasia</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Addressing stereotypes and practices limiting access to STEM-related education for women and girls.</b> <i>(6-8 minutes)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Milagros Sáinz Ibáñez, Director of the Gender &amp; ICT Research Programme, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (UOC)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Education in the digital age for women and girls: recommendations from the Transforming Education Summit (5 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sobhi Tawil, Director of Future of Learning and Innovation, UNESCO</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Defining and measuring universal and meaningful connectivity: are the SDGs fit for purpose to report on women and girls progress on gender and technology? (5 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Doreen Bogdan Martin, Director, Telecommunication Development Bureau, International Telecommunications Union (ITU)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (40 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussant: Alice Abreu, Professor Emerita of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ)</li> </ul>
12:45 – 12:50	5-minute break
12:50 – 14:00	<p><b><u>Session 3: Addressing online and tech-facilitated gender-based violence and discrimination and protecting the rights of women and girls online</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The effects of social media on girls: keeping children safe, preventing abuse and cyber-bullying, and mental health issues.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Nyama Gusona Celestina Marvel and Ian Makamara, Youth Envoys, ITU Generation Connect Africa Youth Group (6-8 minutes)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Women and girls’ freedom of expression, voice, agency and participation in digital spaces and specific groups of women targeted online</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Jan Moolman, Co-Manager, Women's Rights Programme, Association for Progressive Communications (6-8 minutes)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>The gendered impacts of AI and frontier tech: policies and safeguards to regulate new technologies, mitigate risks and protect rights (6-8 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Elettra Ronchi, Adjunct Lecturer to Science Po, School of Public Affairs, Paris.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Interlinkages between women’s rights and digital technologies, civic space, data and privacy, and freedom of expression (5 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hannah Wu, Chief, Women’s Rights and Gender Section, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (40 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Marwa Fatafta, MENA Policy and Advocacy Manager, Access Now</li> </ul>

<b>Group B</b> <b>DAY 2: Thursday, 13 October</b>	
10:00 – 10:30	<p><b>Summary of key issues and policy recommendations from Day 1 from the Co-chairs (15 minutes)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Feedback from participants (15 minutes)</i></li> </ul>
10:30 – 11:20	<p><b><u>Session 4: Fostering inclusive innovation ecosystems</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Actions and solutions to facilitate women’s careers in technology-driven work environments. (6-8 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Hilde G. Corneliussen, Research Professor, Leader for the Gender, Diversity and Technology research group, Head of Research for Technology and Society, Western Norway Research Institute (Vestlandsforskning)</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>The role of governments and businesses in driving innovation that tackles gender inequality and narrows the gender digital divide. (6-8 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Anita Gurusurthy, Executive Director, IT for Change</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Embedding gender in technology development to ensure that innovation meets the needs of women and girls (5 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Oumayma Raimi Rode, Innovation Manager - Gender Equality Portfolio, UNICEF Global Office of Innovation (observer)</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (30 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Discussant: Jill Tang, Co-founder, Ladies Who Tech</li> </ul>
11:20- 11:25	<p><i>5-minute break</i></p>
11.25- 12:15	<p><b><u>Session 5: Ensuring gender responsive digital transformation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Building gender-transformative innovation ecosystems supporting women’s entrepreneurship. (6-8 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Patrice Braun, Adjunct Professor, Research and Innovation, Federation University Australia</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>The future of work in the digital age: how to leverage digital technology to create higher-quality and gender-inclusive work for women in marginalized communities (6-8 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sabina Dewan, President and Executive Director, JustJobs Network</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Preparing future generations of women for new jobs demands: skilling, re-skilling, digitalization and automation (5 minutes)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Chidi King, Chief, Gender, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Branch (GEDI), ILO</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

	<p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW (30 minutes)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discussant: Ayanna T. Samuels, Aerospace Engineer, Technology Policy and Gender Equity Specialist</li> </ul>
12:15-12:30	<i>15-minute break</i>
12:30 – 13:50	<p><b><u>Session 6: Articulating key messages and policy recommendations for the 67<sup>th</sup> Session of the Commission on the Status of Women – critical areas of concern, policy gaps, and key recommendations.</u></b></p> <p>- Facilitated by the Co-chairs</p>
13:50 – 14:00	<p><b>Wrap up and closing - by the Co-Chairs</b></p>