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Access and participation of women and girls in education, training, science and technology, including for the promotion of women's equal access to full employment and decent work

Review theme

FOCUS: The transition of women from education to full employment and decent work, with a particular focus on employment in the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM)

PANEL 5

Tuesday, 18 March 2014, 3 - 6 p.m.

Panelists:

Dr. Lamy Fawwaz is the Executive Director of Public Affairs at Masdar Institute of Science and Technology, a not-for-profit, graduate level, research institute dedicated to the research of advanced energy and sustainable technologies, developed with the support and in collaboration with the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). Appointed to Masdar Institute in May 2009, Dr. Fawwaz is responsible for the operations of the Communications, Recruitment, Outreach and Resource Development Offices. Dr. Fawwaz also provides advice and direct support to the President of Masdar Institute and is responsible for developing and overseeing regional and international recruitment and the development and implementation of strategies for outreach to the UAE community and local universities.

Dr. Londa Schiebinger is the John L. Hinds Professor of History of Science, Stanford University, and a leading international authority on gender and science. She is currently Director of the EU/US Gendered Innovations in Science, Medicine, Engineering, and Environment Project. In 2013 she presented the Gendered Innovations project at the European Parliament. From 2004-2010, Schiebinger served as the Director of Stanford's Clayman Institute for Gender Research, and in 2010, presented the keynote address and wrote the conceptual background paper for the Nations' Expert Group Meeting on Gender, Science, and Technology. She is the author of numerous prize-winning books on gender and science.

Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka is United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women since 19 August 2013. Ms. Mlambo-Ngcuka has devoted her career to issues of human rights, equality and social justice. From 2005 to 2008, she served as Deputy President of South Africa, as Minister of Minerals and Energy from 1999 to 2005, as Deputy Minister in the Department of Trade and Industry from 1996 to 1999 and was a Member of Parliament of South Africa's first democratic government from 1994 to 1996. She was previously a coordinator at the World YWCA in Geneva, where she established a global program for young women. She is the founder of the Umlambo Foundation, which supports leadership and education.