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Fifty-ninth session**

**Building the evidence and monitoring results: gender statistics and indicators**

**Tuesday, 17 March 2015  
10:00 am to 1:00 pm**

**SPEAKER BIOS**

**Moderator:**

**Ms. Marcela Eternod Arámburu** is the Executive Secretary of the National Institute for Women in Mexico. For almost three decades prior, she was CEO of statistical production at the National Institute of Statistics and Geography (INEGI), where she was instrumental in introducing a gender perspective to its statistical projects. She is a member of many national, regional and international statistical bodies, and has published and lectured extensively.

**Panelists**

**Dr. Keiko Osaki-Tomita** is Chief of the Demographic and Social Statistics branch of the United Nations Statistical Division (UNSD), Department of Economic and Social Affairs, in New York, where she leads its work in the area of demographic and social statistics. Dr. Osaki-Tomita previously served as Chief of the Social Policy and Population Section, Social Development Division, at the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Pacific (UNESCAP) between 2005 and 2009. Her UN career commenced in 1988 at the Fertility and Family Studies Section of the United Nations Population Division. Dr. Osaki-Tomita holds a M.A. in Demography from Georgetown University and a Ph.D. in Sociology from Fordham University, and has published widely, particularly in the field of international migration.

**Mr. Pali Lehohla** has been the Statistician-General of South Africa since 2000. He is also Chair of the Africa Symposium for Statistical Development (ASSD), and Chair of Harmonization of Statistics in Africa. From 2005 to 2014, he was a member of the UN Secretary-General Independent Expert Advisory Group (IEAG) on Data Revolution. Mr. Lehohla was Chair of the United Nations Statistics Commission, Chair of Statistics Commission Africa, and Chair of PARIS21, as well as Vice President of the International Statistics Institute (ISI). He was advisor to the 2008 Population Census of Sudan; and, undertook Population Census readiness missions in Afghanistan in 2008 and Iraq in 2009, and served as a UN envoy to the Census of Cambodia in 1998.

**Ms. Nguyen Thi Viet Nga** has worked as a statistician at the General Statistics Office (GSO) of Vietnam for nearly 20 years, specializing in data collection, analysis and ethics regarding population-based household surveys, gender statistics and violence against women. In recent years, she has served on Vietnam's National Editorial Board for developing the set of National Statistical Indicators on Gender Development (SNSIGD). She has led key research on risk and protective factors on violence against women in Vietnam for UNFPA and the Ministry of Labour, Invalids and Social Affairs (MOLISA); and, developed guidance on the use of sex disaggregated data and national gender statistics for UN WOMEN and MOLISA. Ms. Nga has also been instrumental in data collection, analysis and training efforts for, and management of, numerous national violence against women studies in Asia-Pacific, in coordination with UNFPA.

**Ms. Masako Hiraga** is a Senior Statistician / Economist in the Development Data Group of the World Bank, and expert on socio-demographic statistics, and manages the compilation, curation and dissemination of the socio-demographic data. She leads the gender statistics team, and the publication of the World Development Indicators (WDI) and the associated datasets in the Open Data site. Ms. Hiraga also works to help countries improve their statistical capacity in social sectors including gender, education, health, and labor.