



EMPOWERING RURAL WOMEN AND GIRLS



MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUM 25 January 2018 **United Nations Headquarters**

Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls

PROGRAMME

MORNING SESSION

10:00-10:30 AM

Conference Building

Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women

OPENING SESSION

H.E. Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations,

Chair of CSW62

10:30-11:45 AM

MODERATOR:

PANEL 1: Ensuring rural women's land rights and tenure security and

H.E. Ms. María Emma Mejía Vélez, Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations

PANELISTS:

and nutrition for rural women and girls

strengthening food security H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations

H.E. Mrs. Valentine Rugwabiza, Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Einar Gunnarsson, Permanent Representative of Iceland to the United Nations **Topic Introduction:**

Ms. Carla Mucavi

H.E. Mr. Lot Thauzeni Pansipadana Dzonzi, Deputy Permanent Representative of Malawi to the

United Nations

Director, FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations

Ms. Katia Araujo, Director of Advocacy, Landesa

11:45 AM-1:00PM

MODERATOR

PANEL 2: Empowering rural women and girls through quality education technologies (ICT)

H.E. Ms. Koki Muli Grignon, Deputy Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations, Vice-Chair of CSW62

PANELISTS:

and access to information and communications

Topic Introduction:

Ms. Purna Sen

H.E. Mr. Dian Triansyah Djani, Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Sven Jürgenson, Permanent Representative of Estonia to the United Nations

H.E. Ms. Nguyen Phuong Nga, Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Juan Carlos Mendoza García, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United

Nations

Director, Policy Division,

UN-Women

H.E. Mr. Juergen Schulz, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations

AFTERNOON SESSION

3:00-4:15 PM

PANEL 3: Ensuring access to healthcare and sexual and reproductive health and rights, and to

infrastructure, water and

Topic Introduction:

sanitation

Ms. Seemin Qayum

Officer-in-charge, Economic Empowerment, UN-Women

MODERATOR:

Ms. Christine Brautigam, Director, Intergovernmental Support Division, UN-Women

PANELISTS:

H.E. Mr. Jouni Laaksonen, Deputy Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations

Dr. Isha Ray, Professor, University of California, Berkeley

Ms. Susan O'Malley, Chair, NGO/CSW

4:15-5:30 PM

PANEL 4: Strengthening laws, policies and programmes to address violence and harmful practices against rural women and girls

Topic Introduction:

Ms. Seemin Qayum

Officer-in-charge, Economic Empowerment, UN-Women

MODERATOR:

H.E. Mr. Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations

PANELISTS:

H.E. Ms. Gillian Bird, Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations

H. E. Mr. Martín García Moritán, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations

H.E. Ms. Maria Helena Lopes de Jesus Pires, Permanent Representative of Timor-Leste to the

United Nations

Ms. Christine Kalamwina, Deputy Permanent Representative of Zambia to the United Nations

Ms. Marina Kumskova, Programme Associate, Women's International League for Peace and

Freedom (WILPF)

5:30-6:00 PM

CLOSING SESSION

H.E. Ms. Marie Chatardová, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the United Nations, President of ECOSOC

Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women

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UN-Women would like to thank all moderators, panelists and participants for their contributions

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