

## AGENDA AND PARTICIPANTS

Sixty-fourth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW 64)

Expert Group Meeting

***‘Beijing +25: Current context, emerging issues and prospects for gender equality and women’s rights’***

Hosted by UN Women (United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women)

Center for Global Affairs, New York University  
15 Barclay Street, New York City, USA

25-26 September 2019

## PROGRAMME OF WORK

Wednesday 25 September	
8.30 – 9.00	Light breakfast
9.00 – 9.30	<b>Briefing of experts (organization of work) and election of co-chairs of drafting committee</b> Closed Meeting
9.30 – 10.00	<b>Welcome and opening of the meeting</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vera Jelinek (Divisional Dean, Center for Global Affairs, New York University)</li> <li>• Christine Brautigam (Intergovernmental Support Division, UN Women)</li> <li>• Shahra Razavi (Research &amp; Data, Policy Division, UN Women)</li> </ul>
10.00 – 10.30	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>
10.30 – 12.30	<b>Session 1 – Continuity, change and future prospects</b> <i>This session will reflect on the importance of the Beijing Platform for Action in the current context</i> Expert views (15 minutes each): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Gita Sen:</b> <i>The changing landscape of feminist organizing since Beijing</i></li> <li>• <b>Joni Seager:</b> <i>Prospects for gender equality in the age of environmental crisis</i></li> <li>• <b>Cai Yiping:</b> <i>The rise of the South: Implications for women’s rights</i></li> <li>• <b>Sibongile Ndashe:</b> <i>Human rights activism: Prospects for gender equality</i></li> </ul> <p>General discussion on implications for future work and the way forward (1 hour)</p>
12.30 – 1.30	<i>Lunch</i>
1.30 – 3.30	<b>Session 2 – Democratic backsliding and backlash against women’s rights</b> <i>This session will analyze the links between democratic erosion and the strengthening of discriminatory and patriarchal norms and practices</i> Presentation of background paper (15 minutes): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Conny Roggeband and Andrea Krizsan:</b> <i>Democratic backsliding and backlash against women’s rights: Understanding the current challenges for feminist politics</i></li> </ul> <p>Expert views (10 minutes each):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Flávia Biroli:</b> <i>A crisis of democracy and backlash against gender equality</i></li> <li>• <b>G. Arunima:</b> <i>Gendering democracy: Necessity and challenges</i></li> <li>• <b>Yasmine Ergas:</b> <i>Sexual and reproductive health and rights: The pushback and its implications</i></li> </ul> <p>General discussion (1 hour and 15 minutes)</p>
3.30 – 4.00	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>

<b>4.00 – 6.00</b>	<p><b>Session 3 – Implications of the digital revolution for gender equality</b> <i>This session will explore how digital technologies affect gender equality and women’s lives to identify potential opportunities and risks</i></p> <p>Presentation of background paper (15 minutes):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Judy Wajcman:</b> <i>The digital revolution: Implications for gender equality and women’s rights</i></li> </ul> <p>Expert views (10 minutes each):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Anita Gurumurthy:</b> <i>A feminist manifesto for digitality: Issues in the frame</i></li> <li>• <b>Magdalena Sepúlveda:</b> <i>The use of biometric technology in social protection systems: A gender perspective</i></li> </ul> <p>General discussion (1 hour and 25 minutes)</p>
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<b>Thursday 26 September</b>	
<b>8.30 – 9.00</b>	<i>Light breakfast</i>
<b>9.00 – 9.30</b>	<b>Summary of key points from day one (Co-Chairs)</b>
<b>9.30 – 11.30</b>	<p><b>Session 4 – Gender equality and generational perspectives: Young women in the struggle for economic, social and climate justice</b> <i>This session will explore similarities and differences, collaborations and tensions in women’s rights organizing across generations.</i></p> <p>Presentation of background paper (15 minutes):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Maxine Molyneux:</b> <i>The new feminist activism: Intergenerational perspectives</i></li> </ul> <p>Expert views (10 minutes each):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Felogene Anumo:</b> <i>Our ancestors wildest dreams? Young feminists uphold the visionary potential of Beijing</i></li> <li>• <b>Ruth Milkman:</b> <i>Gender, intersectionality and social movements: A new political generation</i></li> </ul> <p>General discussion (1 hour and 25 minutes)</p>
<b>11.30 – 12.00</b>	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>
<b>12.00 – 1.00</b>	<p><b>Session 5 – The peace, security and humanitarian agenda from a gender perspective</b> <i>This session will consider the implementation and challenges of the women, peace and security and humanitarian agendas 25 years after Beijing</i></p> <p>Expert views (10 minutes each):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Anne Marie Goetz and Rob Jenkins:</b> <i>Trends and prospects for the implementation of the women, peace and security agenda</i></li> <li>• <b>Madeleine Rees:</b> <i>Silos, structures and solutions: Leveraging Beijing plus 25 for systemic change</i></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Jacqui True:</b> <i>The women, peace and security agenda 25 years after Beijing: What difference could a feminist political economy perspective make?</i></li> <li>• <b>Hanan Tabbara:</b> <i>What invisibility reveals: Reflections on women’s participation in peace, security and humanitarian action in Western Asia</i></li> </ul> <p>General discussion (20 minutes) to be continued after lunch</p>
<b>1.00 – 2.00</b>	<i>Lunch</i>
<b>2.00 – 3.00</b>	<p><b>Session 5 (cont’d)</b></p> <p>General discussion of theme in response to expert presentations (1 hour)</p>
<b>3.00 – 3.30</b>	<i>Coffee/tea break</i>
<b>3.30 – 5.00</b>	Plenary discussion and adoption of outline and key recommendations of expert report
<b>5.00 – 5.30</b>	<p><b>Wrap up and closing remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-chairs of EGM</li> <li>• Shahra Razavi</li> <li>• Christine Brautigam</li> </ul>

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<b>Magdalena Sepúlveda</b>	Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Mexico
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<b>Hanan Tabbara</b>	Women, Peace, Security and Humanitarian Action Consultant, USA/Jordan
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## Observers

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### Other UN observers

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