

CSW59 – Side Event 11 March 2015, 10:00 – 11:15 conference room CR-11

New action on women's rights - shared responsibilities

The Vision of Beijing Platform for Action is to promote human rights principles, power-sharing between women and men and overcoming oppressing structures and stereotypes. The women's movement in five Nordic countries, united at Nordiskt Forum in Malmö, Sweden, June 2014, took stock of new developments, progress and set-backs over the past 20 years, and agreed on future actions and demands at national, regional and international level. The seminar will focus on critical issues involved in transforming women's economic dependence, the shared responsibility as parents, the right to health and life without violence and equal access to decision-making and justice, in the context of the new development agenda.

Speakers:

Åsa Regnér, Sweden's Minister for Gender Equality (tbc) : Topic Shared Parental Leave and Women's Professional activities

Lakshmi Puri DED UN Women (tbc). Topic: Women's Empowerment and Decision-Making
Rashida Manjoo, UN Special rapporteur on Violence Against Women (VAW) Impact on Women's Rights of Different Forms of Violence

Lilliana Bondo, President of Danish Association of Midwives : Topic SRHR and Women's Health.

Marianne Bruun, Danish Women's Council (tbc). Topic: Nordiskt Forum Malmö- Actions and Agreements

Moderator: Joanna Maycock, Secretary-general of European Women's Lobby - EWL