

**Expert Group Meeting on Strategies to Achieve Gender Equality and Empower all Women and Girls through the Gender-responsive Implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development**

30 and 31 May 2017  
 United Nations Headquarters, New York  
 Conference Room 11

PROGRAMME	
Time	Description
<b>30 May 2017</b>	
<b>Day 1: Accelerating the effective implementation of SDG 5 and its targets</b>	
9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	<b>Registration</b>
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	<b>Opening remarks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN Women</li> <li>Mr. Lenni Montiel, Assistant Secretary-General of UN DESA</li> </ul>
10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	<b>Setting the stage: Objectives of the meeting and context</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mr. Clovis Freire, Economic Affairs Officer, UN DESA</li> <li>Ms. Sylvia Hordosch, Policy Advisor, UN Women</li> </ul>
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.	<b>Panel discussion 1: Eliminating all forms of discrimination against women and girls</b> <i>(Focus areas include SDG targets 5.1., 5.6 and 5.c)</i> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>H.E. Ms. Salma Nims, Secretary General, Commission for Women, Jordan</li> <li>Ms. Phemelo Maiketso, Deputy Director of Gender Affairs, Ministry of Nationality, Immigration and Gender Affairs, Botswana</li> <li>Ms. Nahla Haidar, Member of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women</li> <li>Ms. Marisa Viana, Executive Coordinator, Realizing Sexual and Reproductive Justice (RESURJ)</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Ms. Penny Morton, First Secretary, Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda, what steps have governments and other stakeholders taken to integrate the elimination of discrimination against women and girls in laws and policies into national implementation of the Agenda? What institutional</li> </ul>

	<p>arrangements have been put in place to ensure action and monitor progress? What are the key challenges faced?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What policy measures are required, at all levels, to ensure the elimination of all forms of discrimination against women and girls, including in the context of ensuring women’s access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights by 2030?</li> <li>• What innovative partnerships and collaboration among stakeholders are showing the best results in eliminating discrimination?</li> </ul>
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	<p><b>Panel discussion 2: Eliminating all forms of violence and harmful practices against women and girls</b> (Focus areas include SDG targets 5.2 and 5.3)</p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Farmala Jacobs, Acting Executive Director, Directorate of Gender Affairs, Antigua and Barbuda</li> <li>• Ms. Meija Tuominen, Senior Officer, Gender Unit, Ministry of Social Affairs and Health, Finland</li> <li>• Ms. Hibaaq Osman, Founder and CEO, Karama</li> <li>• Ms. Theresa McGovern, Professor, Columbia University</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Mr. Rokebul Haque, Minister, Permanent Mission of Bangladesh to the United Nations</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are good practices and lessons learnt in the elimination of all forms of violence and harmful practices against women and girls?</li> <li>• How have governments effectively engaged all stakeholders at local and national levels towards the elimination of all forms of violence against women and girls in public and private spaces and the elimination of harmful practices against women and girls? What are successful approaches that involve, among others, communities, men and boys, women’s and other civil society organizations, youth-led organizations, faith-based groups, traditional leaders and employers in these efforts? How are such efforts monitored?</li> <li>• Which interventions have successfully addressed gender stereotypes and negative social norms?</li> </ul>
1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.	<p><b>Break</b></p>
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	<p><b>Panel discussion 3: Ensuring women’s economic rights and full, equal and effective participation and leadership in decision-making</b> (Focus areas include SDG targets 5.4, 5.5, 5.a and 5.b)</p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. William Komu, Senior Economist, Ministry of Public Service, Youth and Gender Affairs, Kenya</li> <li>• Ms. Mareeca Brown, Gender Specialist, Planning Institute, Jamaica</li> <li>• Ms. Kate Donald, Director, Human Rights in Development Program, Center for Economic and Social Rights</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Mr. Vinicius Pinheiro, Special Representative to the United Nations, International Labour Organization</p>

	<p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Since the adoption of the 2030 Agenda, how have governments, in collaboration with relevant stakeholders, enhanced national policies and strategies to strengthen women’s economic empowerment, and ensure their right to economic resources? What steps are being taken to strengthen women’s economic rights along the continuum of work, from unpaid care and domestic work to work in the formal sector? What solutions have been found to be most successful?</li> <li>• What are good practice examples that ensure women’s full, equal and effective participation and leadership in decision making, including efforts that target the most marginalized women?</li> <li>• What measures have governments put in place to strengthen accountability of the private sector to promote the economic empowerment of women? What are the key challenges?</li> </ul>
<p>3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Panel discussion 4: Data for SDG 5 and Gender Statistics</b></p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Sanyu Jane Mpagi, Director of Gender and Community Development, Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Uganda</li> <li>• Ms. Ana Laura Pineda Manriquez, Director General of Evaluation and Statistical Development, National Institute for Women, Mexico</li> <li>• Ms. Emily Courey Pryor, Executive Director, Data2X</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Ms. Francesca Perucci, Chief, Statistical Services Branch, United Nations Statistics Division</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are key priorities for improving disaggregation of data and closing SDG 5 data gaps?</li> <li>• What steps are being taken to address the methodological issues on gender-sensitive indicators?</li> <li>• What measures are being taken to enhance the capacities of national statistical systems to respond to the requirements of the 2030 Agenda and its indicator framework, especially in regards to gender-sensitive indicators?</li> </ul>
<p>4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Roundtable 1: Addressing gaps and challenges – The way forward</b></p> <p><i>Participants will be invited to propose concrete recommendations related to strategies and actions by governments and other stakeholders to accelerate the implementation of SDG 5</i></p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Christine Brautigam, Director, Intergovernmental Support Division, UN Women</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <p>Based on the day’s presentations and discussions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are key recommendations for implementation of SDG 5?</li> <li>• How can stakeholder involvement best be leveraged for accelerated progress?</li> <li>• How can the UN system best be mobilized to support achievement of SDG 5?</li> </ul>

<b>31 May 2017</b>	
<b>Day 2: Ensuring the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda: interlinkages between SDG 5 and other SDGs</b>	
10:00 am – 10:30 am	<p><b>Introduction</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Craig Mokhiber, Director, New York Office, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)</li> <li>• Ms. Shahrashoub Razavi, Chief, Research and Data Section, UN Women</li> </ul>
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	<p><b>Panel discussion 5: Ending poverty and achieving food security through women’s access to and control over economic resources</b></p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Lynn M.B. Syanziba, Director of Gender in Development, Zambia</li> <li>• Mr. Tetteh Hormeku-Ajei, Africa Trade Network</li> <li>• Ms. Maria Luisa Mendonca, Project Director, Feminist Alliance for Rights at the Center for Women’s Global Leadership</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Ms. Cristina Diez, Main representative to the UN, ATD Fourth World</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How are stakeholders leveraging women’s access to and control over economic resources towards ending poverty and hunger and achieving food security and nutrition?</li> <li>• What are examples of successful gender-responsive policies and programmes to promote food security, increase agricultural production and promote sustainable land and marine development?</li> <li>• How can women’s control over and access to economic resources strengthen resilience and adaptive capacities, especially in rural and remote areas, and in particular, disadvantaged communities? What good practice examples exist?</li> </ul>
11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	<p><b>Panel discussion 6: Empowering women and girls through gender-responsive infrastructure</b></p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mr. Khomraj Koirala, Joint Secretary and Chief, Social Development Division of the National Planning Commission Secretariat, Nepal</li> <li>• Ms. Natalie Elwell, Senior Gender Advisor, World Resources Institute</li> <li>• Ms. Sue Phillips, Founder and Technical Director, Social Development Direct</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Mr. Gary Fowlie, Head, ITU Liaison Office to the United Nations</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How is gender analysis informing infrastructure development? What are the key challenges?</li> <li>• How are gender equality considerations being reflected in ensuring access to adequate, safe and affordable housing, transport systems, and water and sanitation?</li> <li>• What steps are being taken to ensure that infrastructure is gender responsive in relation to the access to public services, including reproductive health services? What innovative solutions exist in this regard?</li> </ul>
12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.	<p><b>Break</b></p>

<p>2:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Panel discussion 7: Promoting sustainable and inclusive economic growth through women’s economic empowerment</b></p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Andrea Milla, National Coordinator of the Gender Equality Seal Project, Ministry of the Status of Women, Costa Rica</li> <li>• Mr. Andrew Morrison, Chief, Gender and Diversity Division, Inter-American Development Bank</li> <li>• Ms. Aïssatou Diallo, Regions Refocus</li> <li>• Mr. James Heintz, Professor, University of Massachusetts at Amherst</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Ms. Emilia Reyes, Coordinator, Equidad de Género</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How are key trends in the world of work impacting on women’s economic empowerment and full and equal participation?</li> <li>• What are good practice examples of cooperation among governmental authorities, the private sector, workers’ organizations and women’s civil society organizations that have contributed to eliminating persistent gender inequalities and overcome barriers to decent work and full and productive employment for women, including addressing the gender wage gap, occupational segregation and recognizing unpaid care work?</li> </ul>
<p>3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Panel discussion 8: Ensuring institutional arrangements and financing to support the integrated implementation of the SDGs</b></p> <p>Presenters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ms. Ana Kvernadze, Senior Policy Adviser for Social Issues, Government Planning &amp; Innovations, Georgia</li> <li>• Ms. Lenny Nurharyanti Rosalin, Acting Secretary of the Ministry of Women Empowerment and Child Protection and Deputy Minister for Child Development, Indonesia</li> <li>• Ms. Rowena Bethel, Rapporteur, United Nations Committee of Experts on Public Administration</li> <li>• Ms. Barbara Adams, Board Chair, Global Policy Forum</li> </ul> <p>Moderator: Ms. Anita Nayar, Director, Regions Refocus</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What kinds of institutional arrangements have enabled integrated approaches to the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda at the national level? How have such arrangements facilitated collaboration and partnerships among governments and other stakeholders? What made the partnerships successful?</li> <li>• What is the role of institutional mechanisms tasked with implementing the 2030 Agenda in integrating new or existing gender equality policies and strategies into broader national sustainable development efforts?</li> <li>• What approaches are in place to ensure that resources from all sources contribute to the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda?</li> </ul>
<p>4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Roundtable 2: Addressing gaps and challenges – The way forward</b></p> <p><i>Participants will be invited to propose concrete recommendations related to strategies and actions by governments and other stakeholders to accelerate the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda</i></p>

	<p>Moderator: Mr. Juwang Zhu, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA</p> <p><u>Guiding Questions</u></p> <p>Based on the presentations and discussions of the two days:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What are key recommendations to ensure the gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda?</li> <li>• What are successful multi-stakeholder partnerships at the global, regional, national and sub-national levels for accelerated gender-responsive implementation of the SDGs?</li> <li>• How can accountability for gender-responsive implementation of the 2030 Agenda be enhanced?</li> </ul>
<p>5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>Wrap Up and Closing Remarks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• H.E. Mr. E. Courtenay Rattray, Permanent Representative of Jamaica to the United Nations</li> <li>• H.E. Mr. Jan Kickert, Permanent Representative of Austria to the United Nations</li> <li>• Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN Women</li> </ul>