

MEDIA ADVISORY

At Rio+20 UN Women events to showcase women's central role in building a sustainable future

UN Women is calling for robust policies and strong commitments to remove discriminatory barriers and ensure women's central role in sustainable development at the Rio+20 Conference. Highlighting that gender equality is fundamental to a sustainable future, UN Women events during the Conference will amplify women's voices and showcase innovative strategies that are making a difference in communities across the world.

What: The Future Women Want: Leaders' Forum on Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment for Sustainable Development [Programme: <u>http://www.unwomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/04/UNW-Rio+20-WLF-Programme.pdf</u>]

When: Tuesday, 19th June, 9.30 a.m. - 6.00 p.m.

Who: Hundreds of representatives from government, UN heads of agencies, civil society and the private sector will make their voices heard at a full-day forum organized by UN Women in collaboration with the Government of Brazil and other partners. Ms. Bachelet will deliver opening and closing remarks.

Where: Venue: T-2, Riocentro

The event will be webcast live at <u>www.unwomen.org</u>

UN Women events are open to the media, but space is limited. Please rsvp to: In Rio de Janeiro: Gisele Netto, Ph: +55 61. 8175. 6315, +55 21. 7817.1047; E-mail: <u>gisele.netto@unwomen.org</u> In New York: Oisika Chakrabarti, Ph: +1 646.781.4522; E-mail: <u>oisika.chakrabarti@unwomen.org</u>

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UN Women and Rio+20: <u>http://www.unwomen.org/the-united-nations-conference-on-sustainable-development-rio20/</u>