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**MULTI-STAKEHOLDER FORUM**

**1 February 2019**

**10 am–1 pm and 3-6 pm**

**United Nations Headquarters**

**Conference Room 1**

*Social protection systems, access to public services and sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls*

## PROGRAMME

### MORNING SESSION

**10:00—10:30 AM**

**OPENING SESSION**

**Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka**, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and UN Women Executive Director

**H.E. Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason**, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations, CSW63 Chair

**MODERATOR: Ms. Koki Muli Grignon (Kenya), CSW63 Vice-Chair**

**PANELISTS:**

**H.E. Ms. Penelope Althea Beckles**, Permanent Representative of Trinidad and Tobago to the United Nations, President of UN Women Executive Board

**H.E. Mr. Jürg Lauber**, Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the United Nations

**H.E. Mrs. Maria Helena Lopes De Jesus Pires**, Permanent Representative of Timor-Leste to the United Nations

**H.E. Mr. Sami Bougacha**, Charge d'Affaires of the Permanent Mission of Tunisia to the United Nations

**H.E. Mr. Luis Homero Bermúdez Álvarez**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the United Nations

**Ms. Nupur Kukrety**, Gender and Social Protection Specialist, UNICEF

**10:30—11:45 AM**

**PANEL 1:** Social protection systems for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls

**Topic Introduction:**

**Ms. Shahra Razavi**

Chief, Research and Data,  
UN Women

**11:45 AM—1:00PM**

**PANEL 2:** Public services for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls

**Topic Introduction:**

**Ms. Laura Addati**

Policy specialist, Women's economic empowerment,  
International Labor Organization

**MODERATOR: Ms. Rena Tasuja (Estonia), CSW63 Vice-Chair**

**PANELISTS:**

**H.E. Mr. Neville Melvin Gertze**, Permanent Representative of Namibia to the United Nations

**H.E. Mr. Juan José Ignacio Gómez Camacho**, Permanent Representative of Mexico to the United Nations

**H.E. Mr. Craig John Hawke**, Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations

**Ms. Jennifer F. Klot**, Head of NY UN Liaison Office, Plan International

**Ms. Melissa Upreti**, Senior Director, Program and Global Advocacy, Center for Women's Global Leadership, Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey



# AFTERNOON SESSION

**3:00—4:15 PM**

**PANEL 3:** Sustainable infrastructure for gender equality and the empowerment of women and girls

**Topic Introduction:**

**Ms. Silke Staab**

Senior Researcher,  
Research and Data,  
UN Women

**MODERATOR:** Mr. Mohammed S. Marzooq (Iraq), CSW63 Vice-Chair

**PANELISTS:**

**H.E. Mr. Agustin Santos Maraver**, Permanent Representative of Spain to the United Nations

**H.E. Ms. Ivana Pajevic**, Deputy Permanent Representative of Montenegro to the United Nations

**Ms. Caroline Kihato**, Director of Urban Policies, Women in Informal Employment: Globalizing and Organizing

**4:15—5:30 PM**

**PANEL 4:** Ensuring synergies and addressing intersecting inequalities for enhanced results

**Topic Introduction:**

**Ms. Christine Brautigam**

Director, Intergovernmental  
Support Division,  
UN Women

**MODERATOR:** Mr. Mauricio Carabali Baquero (Colombia), CSW63 Vice-Chair

**PANELISTS:**

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

**H. E. Mr. Jonathan Guy Allen**, Deputy Permanent Representative of United Kingdom to the United Nations

**Ms. Wenyan Yang**, Chief, Global Dialogue for Social Development Branch, Division for Inclusive Social Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, UN

**Ms. Venus Ilagan**, Secretary General, Rehabilitation International, New York

**Ms. Saphira Rameshfar**, Representative of the Baha'i International Community's UN Office in New York and member of the Working Group on Girls to the UN

**5:30—6:00 PM**

**CLOSING SESSION**

**Ms. Åsa Regnér**, Deputy Executive Director, UN Women

**H.E. Ms. Inga Rhonda King**, Permanent Representative of Saint Vincent and the

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