The 60th Commission on the Status of Women (CSW60) Women's empowerment and its link to

sustainable development





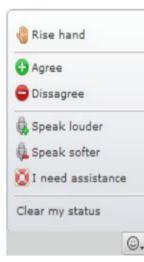
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🧕 🗄 Jane Doe (Me)
👤 🗄 John Smith



a question.

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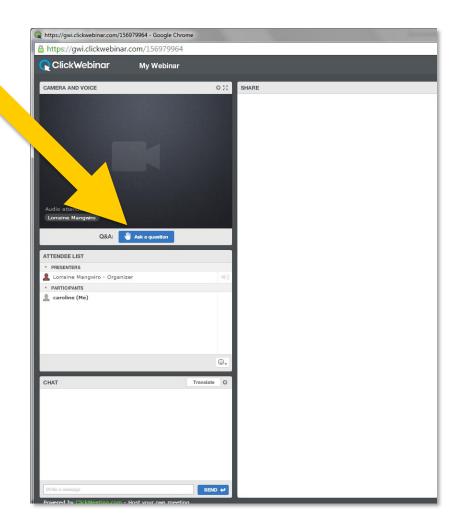
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Ask a question





Agenda

- Background to CSW
- CSW and the UN system
- CSW60 theme and outcomes
- How GWI members can engage with CSW
- GWI & NFA CSW parallel events
- Questions and discussion



CSW Background

- Established in 1946, shortly after the first meetings of the of the newly established United Nations General Assembly (UNGA).
- Its founding mandate was to "prepare recommendations and reports to the Economic and Social Council [ECOSOC] on promoting women's rights in political, economic, civil, social and educational fields" and to make recommendations "on urgent problems requiring immediate attention in the field of women's rights."
- The Commission was instrumental in drafting important legal frameworks, including the seminal Convention for the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women [CEDAW] (1979).



CSW within the UN system

The United Nations System UN-HABITAT United Nations Human Settlements Programme **UNHCR** Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees **UNICEF** United Nations Children's Fund **UN Principal** Funds and Programmes¹ **UNODC** United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime **UNCTAD** United Nations Conference Organs on Trade and Development **UNRWA²** United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East ITC International Trade Centre General (UNCTAD/WTO) **UN-Women** United Nations Entity for Gender Equality Assembly **Subsidiary Bodies** and the Empowerment of Women **UNDP** United Nations Development Programme WFP World Food Programme Main and other sessional committees **UNCDF** United Nations Capital Security Research and Training Institutes Disarmament Commission Development Fund Council **UNICRI** United Nations Interregional Crime Human Rights Council UNV United Nations Volunteers and Justice Research Institute International Law Commission **UNEP** United Nations Environment Programme **UNIDIR²** United Nations Institute Standing committees Economic and **UNFPA** United Nations Population Fund and ad hoc bodies for Disarmament Research Social Council Advisory **Subsidiary Bodies** Military Staff Committee Secretariat Subsidiary Body Peacekeeping operations Counter-terrorism committees Peacebuilding Commission and political missions International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR) Sanctions committees (ad hoc) International International Criminal Tribunal Standing committees and Court of Justice for the former Yugoslavia (ICTY) ad hoc bodies Trusteeship Council⁶ **Regional Commissions** Functional Commissions Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice ECA Economic Commission for Africa Notes: Narcotic Drugs ECE Economic Commission for Europe 1 The United Nations, its Funds Population and Development and Programmes, the Specialized **ECLAC** Economic Commission Agencies, IAEA and WTO are all members of the United Nations System Chief Executives Board for Science and Technology for Development for Latin America and the Caribbean Social Development Coordination (CEB). **ESCAP** Economic and Social Statistics Commission for Asia and Status of Women the Pacific Sustainable Development and the GA. **ESCWA** Economic and Social United Nations Forum on Forests Commission for Western Asia 4 WTO has no reporting obligation to the GA, but contributes on an ad hoc basis to GA and Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) work on, **Departments and Offices** inter alia, finance and development

EOSG Executive Office of the

DESA Department of Economic

DFS Department of Field Support

DM Department of Management

and Conference Management

DGACM Department for General Assembly

Secretary-General

and Social Affairs

- 5 Specialized Agencies are autonomous organizations whose work is coordinated through ECOSOC (intergovernmental level) and CEB (inter-secretariat level).
- 6 The Trusteeship Council suspended opera-tion on 1 November 1994, as on 1 October 1994 Palau, the last United Nations Trust Territory, became independent.
- WWW.

Other Bodies Committee for Development Policy IMF International Monetary Fund Committee of Experts on Public Administration IMO International Maritime Committee on Non-Governmental Organization Organizations ITU International Telecommunication Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues Union United Nations Group of Experts **UNESCO** United Nations on Geographical Names Educational, Scientific Other sessional and standing and Cultural Organization committees and expert, ad hoc and related bodies **OIOS** Office of Internal Oversight Services **DPA** Department of Political Affairs **DPI** Department of Public Information **OLA** Office of Legal Affairs **DPKO** Department of Peacekeeping **OSAA** Office of the Special Adviser on Africa Operations DSS Department of Safety and Security

OCHA Office for the Coordination

OHCHR Office of the United Nations

High Commissioner for Human Rights

of Humanitarian Affairs

- SRSG/CAAC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Children and Armed Conflict
- SRSG/SVC Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict

- **UNITAR** United Nations Institute for Training and Research
- **UNRISD** United Nations Research Institute for Social Development
- **UNSSC** United Nations System Staff College
- **UNU** United Nations University

Other Entities

UNAIDS Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS

UNISDR United Nations International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

UNOPS United Nations Office for Project Services

Related Organizations

- CTBTO Preparatory Commission Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization
- IAEA^{1,3} International Atomic Energy Agency
- **OPCW** Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

UNWTO World Tourism Organization

WHO World Health Organization

WIPO World Intellectual Property

IBRD International Bank for

ICSID International Centre for

Settlement of Investment

IDA International Development

MIGA Multilateral Investment

IFC International Finance

UPU Universal Postal Union

WMO World Meteorological

Organization

Organization

Disputes

Association

World Bank Group

wto^{1,4} World Trade Organization

- Specialized Agencies^{1,5}
- FAO Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations
- ICAO International Civil Aviation Organization
- IFAD International Fund for Agricultural Development
- ILO International Labour Organization

- UNIDO United Nations Industrial Development Organization

Corporation Guarantee Agency

UNODA Office for Disarmament Affairs

UNOG United Nations Office at Geneva

- UN-OHRLLS Office of the High Representative for the Least Developed Countries, Landlocked Developing Countries and Small Island **Developing States**
- **UNON** United Nations Office at Nairobi
- **UNOV** United Nations Office at Vienna
- Reconstruction and Development 2013

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How CSW functions

- A functional commission of the UN Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)
- 45 members elected by ECOSOC for a 4-year term, based on equitable geographical representation
- Dedicated exclusively to gender equality and the advancement of women
- Meets annually for 9-10 days at UN headquarters in New York
- CSW receives secretariat support from <u>UN Women</u>
- UN Women is a UN General Assembly entity established in 2010 to *inter alia* support intergovernmental bodies, such as CSW, in their formulation of policies, global standards and norms



Commission on the Status of Women **CSW6**0

WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT AND ITS LINK TO SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

New York 14 - 24 March 2016



CSW60

- Dates: 14-24 March 2016.
- Priority theme: *Women's empowerment and its link to sustainable development.*
- Will also evaluate progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions from the 57th session (2013) on: *The elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls*.
- Emerging theme to be determined.
- The 9-day session will also discuss its multi-year programme of work and a ministerial segment and high-level dialogues.
- Many parallel and side events to draw attention to critical aspects of the work on gender equality.



Outcomes of CSW

- Agreed conclusions on priority themes set for each year.
- CSW adopts a number of resolutions on a range of issues, negotiated by member states.
- Summaries by the chair of the Commission of high-level round tables and interactive dialogues highlight key issues discussed including recommendations for further action.



Why does GWI participate?

- CSW is THE UN gender event of the year
- Platform to draw attention to specific issues and shape their outcomes
- Chance to network and form partnerships for greater visibility and strength on key GWI messages, share strategies and good practices
- Opportunity to lobby governments to implement resolutions and treaties



How can we participate?

On the international level

- Representatives contribute to the resolutions and other documents, on the basis of GWI advocacy priorities and specific arguments from the NFAs.
- Can be done through oral and written interventions (statements and spoken interventions)
- By organising parallel and side events to highlight specific issues

On the national level NFAs have the possibility to:

- Inform their members and their community when a new international agreement is announced or not implemented
- Write position papers and articles in the media
- Organise conferences and/or roundtable discussions
- Lobby their government
- Engage with other NGOs to increase support



Side and parallel events

National Women's Committee of the United Nations for NGOs.

Panel discussion on 18 March (Fri) at 18:30 to 19:45 at Rm CR1 inside the UN building.

Focus will be on the issue of a gender gap in terms of economy, responding to the proposals made in SDGs.



Helvi Sipilä seminar

Women at the Heart of Peace and Security

11th International Helvi Sipilä Seminar

March 17th 2016 4:45-6:00 pm Conference Room 11, GA Building United Nations Headquarters, NY

A side event organized by Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations in cooperation with Finnish Federation of Graduate Women FFGW • National Council of Women of Finland NJKL • Coalition of Finnish Women's Associations NYTKIS • Finland National Committee for UN Women • Young Women's Christian Association of Finland YWCA

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Parallel events

WG-USA NonViolent PeaceForce: South Sudan

Date: 14 March Time: 12:30 PM Venue: CCUN (Church Center of the UN), 777 UN Plaza Room Assignment: Second Floor

WG-USA: Jeannette Wesbrook "The World's Oldest Oppression: Violence and Torture against Women and Girls: Prostitution, Trafficking, and Non-State Torture"

Date: Friday, March 18 Time: 4:30 PM Place: The Thai Cultural Center

WG-USA: Geeta Desai "Stop the Public Sexual Harassment of Women and Girls with International Multi-Lateral Advocacy and Diplomacy"

Date: 21 March Time: 2:30 PM Venue: CCUN (Church Center of the UN), 777 UN Plaza Room Assignment: 10th Floor



References and useful links

- http://www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw60-2016
- <u>http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/cedaw/history.htm</u>
- http://www.ngocsw.org/
- <u>http://www.un.org/en/aboutun/structure/pdfs/UN_Sys</u> <u>tem_Chart_30June2015.pdf</u>
- <u>http://www.unwomen.org/en/csw/outcomes#57</u>
- <u>http://www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw60-2016/official-</u> meetings

The GWI events calendar will be distributed to GWI's delegation when further side events and parallel events are confirmed. If you are attending CSW as part of another delegation please let us know! We would like to share information so people can network.



Questions?



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Next webinar

Introduction to Graduate Women International

29 February 2016, 09.30 & 17.30

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Graduate Women International



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Women, affordability, economics, infrastructure, etc.)

21-26 August 2016 COST PER PARTICIPANT: \$580 / ZAR 7800

CAPE TOWN

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS Honourable Minister Matsie Angelina Motshekga South African Minister of Basic Education

Professor Jonathan Jansen Vice Chancellor and Rector of the University of the Free State

> Register at: www.gwiconference.org



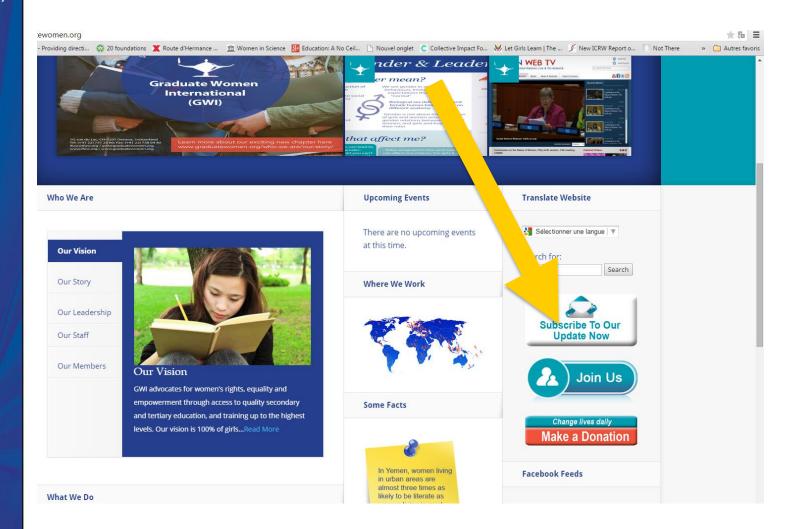
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