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Forum Program

Monday, 3 November

All sessions held in room XVII

12:00 - 15:00	Welcome & Registration
15:00 - 16:00	<p>Opening Ceremony</p> <p>Master of Ceremony: Simone Overt, Forum Co-chair; UN Representative, ZONTA Intl.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Executive Director, UN Women (video message) Ms. Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, NGO CSW Geneva President; Forum Chair; GS World YWCA Mr. Michael Møller, Acting Director-General, UN Office Geneva Mr. François Longchamp, President of the State Council for the Canton of Geneva Ms. Monika Linn, Principal Advisor UN ECE Ms. Ursula Funk, Senior Advisor, Swiss Agency for Development & Cooperation Ms. Sascha Gabizon, Executive Director, Women in Europe for a Common Future (WECF); Elected Representative, Women's Major Group (WMG) <p><i>Musical interlude</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Nihan Atalay, Flutist; Associate professor, Mimar Sinan Fine Arts State University, Istanbul
16:00 - 17:00	<p>act advance achieve women's rights – Where We Stand in the UN ECE Region</p> <p>Critical overview - Sub-regional realities</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Ingibjorg Gísladóttir, UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Malinka Koparanova, Senior Social Affairs Officer & Gender Focal Point, UN ECE Ms. Joanna Maycock, General Secretary, European Women's Lobby (EWL) Ms. Kinga Lohmann, Founder & Executive Director, the KARAT Coalition Ms. Anna Arganashvili, Project Manager, Partnership for Human Rights, Georgia Ms. Monika Kocaqi, Freelance expert in Gender Responsive Budgeting & Gender Based Violence, Albania Ms. Barbara Byers, Secretary-Treasurer, Canadian Labour Congress
17:00 - 18:15	<p>A call for Transformation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Keynote by Prof. Dr. Ervin Laszlo</i>, Founder of the Club of Budapest, President of the E. Laszlo Center for Advanced Studies; Philosopher of science and systems theorist, Editor of World Futures: The Journal of new paradigm research; Advisor to the UNESCO Director General; twice nominated for the Nobel Peace Prize <p>Women's Rights: A Power to Create Change</p> <p>Panel & Interactive Discussion</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, NGO CSW Geneva President; Forum Chair; GS World YWCA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Paivi Kannisto, Senior Gender Advisor, Government of Finland Mr. Patrick Taran, President, Global Migration Policy Association (GMPA) Ms. Selma Acuner, International Relations Coordinator, Women's Coalition, Turkey; UN Women GCSAG member Ms. Meliya Asanova, Director, "Independent Life" Assistance Center for People with Disabilities Ms. Katja Iversen, CEO, Women Deliver, USA
From 18:45	Reception at the Palais Ariana, sponsored by the City of Geneva



Tuesday, 4 November

16 Interactive Roundtables are planned for this second day, including one on each of the 12 critical areas of concern of the Beijing Platform for Action (BPfA) and 4 on emerging or cross-cutting issues.

8:00 – 9:00	Information & Registration XVII
9:00 – 9:30	<p>Introductory Session - Room XVII</p> <p>Greeting messages from NGO Committee on the Status of Women New York & Vienna</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Soon Young Yoon, President, NGO CSW New York; UN Representative IAW• Ms. Ilona Graenitz, President, NGO CSW Vienna; UN Representative IFUW <p>Introduction to the Interactive Roundtables & Organization of Work</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Elly Pradervand, Chair, TF Beijing+20 / Substantive Issues, NGO CSW Geneva; Founder & CEO WWSF
9:30 – 11:00	<p>Interactive Roundtables on 2 critical areas of concern & 2 emerging issues</p> <p>In parallel sessions</p> <p>1) Women and Poverty – Room XXIII</p> <p>Conveners: Ms. Renate Bloem, UN Rep., CIVICUS Ms. Elly Pradervand, UN Rep., Founder & CEO, WWSF M. Melik Ozden, UN Rep., CETIM</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Renate Bloem, UN Rep., CIVICUS</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Caren Grown, Senior Director, Gender, World Bank Group Ms. Francine Mestrum, Researcher, CETIM & Global Social Justice, Belgium Ms. Diana Skelton, ATD Fourth World (Quart Monde) Ms. Marilou McPhedran, Professor and Director, Institute for International Women's Rights at Global College, University of Winnipeg Ms. Bettina Fredrich, Social Policy Desk, Caritas, Switzerland Ms. Margaret Owen, Director, Widows for Peace through Democracy, UK</p> <p>2) Education and Training of Women – Room XVII</p> <p>Conveners: Ms. Hayley Ramsay-Jones and Kazunari Fujii, UN Rep., Soka Gakkai Intl. Ms. Sabine Kinzer and Ms. Wilfrida Hendrickx, UN Rep., Soroptimist International</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Danièle Castle, Executive Director, Intl. Federation of University Women</p> <p>Keynote: Ms. Maria Luisa Frosio, University Professor and Education & Training Advocate</p> <p>Roundtable Facilitators: Ms. Claire de Lavernette, Main UN Rep. Geneva, OI DEL Ms. Susanna Hast, Specialist in Feminist Security Studies M. Richard Hart, Trainer and Consultant on Gender Equality</p> <p>i) Human Rights and Migrant Women – Room IX</p> <p>Conveners: Ms. Joyce Jett, International Representative, Solar Cookers Intl. & MCDI Ms. Colette Samoya, Fondatrice de BANGWE et Dialogue M. Patrick Taran, President, Global Migration Policy Associates (GMPA)</p> <p>Moderators: Ms. Joyce Jett & Colette Samoya</p> <p>Speakers: Ms. Krishna Ahooja-Patel, International Representative, WILPF M. Patrick Taran, President, GMPA Ms. Gloria Moreno Fontes, Senior Labour Migration Specialist, ILO Ms. Monica Cristea, Vice-chair, RIFFI; Board member, EnoMW Ms. Nunu Kidane, Director, Priority Africa Network</p>



ii) Science, Technology & Innovation for the Advancement of Women – Room XI

- Convener: Ms. Manjit Dosanjh, UN Rep., IFUW; CERN;
Chair of Editing Committee, Taskforce Beijing +20, NGO CSW Geneva
- Moderator: M. Jose Mariano Gago, Professor at IST and LIP, Lisbon, Portugal
M. Ewa Ruminska-Zimny, President, International Forum of Women in Science and Business, Poland
- Speakers: Ms. Susan Schorr, Head of Special Initiatives, ITU
M. Stephan Monterde, Director, CISCO Systems
Ms. Zoya Apevalova, Coordinator of International Relations, Federation of University Women, Russia
Ms. Audrey Van Belleghem, Anita Borg Institute, USA

11:00 – 11:30 *Coffee Break*

11:30 – 13:00 Interactive Roundtables on 3 critical areas of concern and an emerging issue
In parallel sessions:

4) Violence against Women – Room XVII

- Convener: Ms. Marie-Claude Julsaint, Global Program Manager for VaW, World YWCA
- Moderator: Ms. Triin Käpp, Pastor, Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church
- Speakers: M. Jackson Katz, filmmaker and Co-founder, Mentors in Violence Prevention
Ms. Marilou McPhedran, Professor and Director, Institute for International Women's Rights, Global College, University of Winnipeg
Ms. Maria Jose Landeira Oestergaard, President, Zonta International
Ms. Pierrette Pape, Policy Officer & Project Coordinator, European Women's Lobby

6) Women and the Economy – Room XXIII

- Conveners: Ms. Valerie Bichelmeier, UN Representative, Make Mothers Matter (MMM);
Vice-President, NGO Committee on the Status of Women, Geneva
Ms. Catherine Bosshart, UN Representative, International Federation of Business & Professional Women (IFBPW)
- Moderator: Ms. Valeria Esquivel, Gender Focal Point, UNRISD
- Speakers: Ms. Joanna Manganara, President, International Alliance of Women (IAW)
Ms. Anne-Claire de Liedekerke, President, Make Mothers Matter (MMM)
Ms. Margunn Bjørnholt, Feminist Economist & Director, Policy and Social Research AS, Norway
Ms. Subada Shiralayeva, Director, International Center Women & Modern World (CWMW), Azerbaijan
Ms. Amelia Espejo, Policy Advisor, International Organization of Employers (IOE)

10) Women and the Media – Room IX

- Conveners: Ms. Elly Pradervand, UN Rep., Founder & CEO, WWSF
UNESCO represented by Alton Grizzle, Program Specialist, Communication and Information Sector; UNESCO Designated Manager, Global Alliance on Media and Gender (GAMAG)
Lois A. Herman, Coordinator WUNRN, Women's UN Report Network
- Moderator: Annika Nyberg Frankenhaeuser, Director, European Broadcasting Union
- Speakers: Alton Grizzle, Program Specialist, Section Media & Society, UNESCO
Donatella Martini, WECAMS / Donne in Quota, Women's European Coalition Against Media Sexism
Frieda L. Werden, Veteran Media Specialist & Women's Advocate, Women's International News Gathering Service
Oleksandra Kunovska Mondoux, UN Representative, World Federation of Ukrainian Women's Organizations



iii) Older Women – Room XI

Conveners: Ms. Silvia Perel-Levin, UN Rep, International Longevity Centre Global Alliance (ILCGA)
Ms. Ursula Barter Hemmerich, UN Rep., International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA)

Moderator: Ms. Bridget Sleaf, Senior Rights Policy Adviser, HelpAge International, UK

Speakers: Ms. Elizabeth Sclater, Executive Officer, Older Women's Network (OWN), UK
Ms. Irene Hoskins, President, Chevy Chase at Home; Immediate Past President of International Federation on Ageing (IFA), USA
Ms. Andrea Ferenczi, President, Association for Women's Career Development, Hunga
M. Israel Doron, Head, Department of Gerontology, Haifa University, Israel
Ms. Lisa Warth, Technical Officer, Department of Ageing and Life Course, WHO; Coordinator of WHO Global Network of Age-friendly Cities & Communities

13:00 – 14:30 *Lunch Break*

14:30 – 16:00 Interactive Roundtables on 4 critical areas of concern
In parallel sessions:

3) Women and Health – Room XXIII

Conveners: Ms. Manjit Dosanjh, UN Rep., International Federation of University Women (IFUW)
Ms. Afton Beutler, UN Rep., Mothers Legacy Project

Moderator: Ms. Alanna Armitage, Director, UNFPA

Speakers: Ms. Elizabeth Carll, Coordinator, CMH Global Mental Health Action Plan & NCDs Initiatives, USA
Ms. Iliana Balabanova-Stoycheva, Coordinator of the Bulgarian Women's Lobby; Member of Gender Research Foundation, Bulgaria
Ms. Katja Iversen, CEO, Women Deliver, USA
Ms. Nancy B. Finn, Healthcare Journalist, Global Alliance for Women's Health

7) Women in Power and Decision-making – Room XI

Convener: Ms. Heli Bathija & Ms. Catherine D'arcanges, UN rep., Global Fund for Women

Moderator: Ms. Claudia Zwart, Global Women Leadership Foundation

Speakers: Ms. Torild Skard, International Alliance of Women, Norway
Ms. Natalia Karbowska, Chair, Ukrainian Women's Fund, Ukraine
Ms. Staminira Hadjimitova, Gender Project for Bulgaria Foundation, Bulgaria

8) Institutional Mechanisms for the Advancement of Women – Room IX

Convener: Ms. Simone Ovar, UN Representative, Zonta International; Forum Co-Chair

Moderator: Ms. Erika Kvapilova, Social Scientist, UN Women Representative, Georgia

Speakers: Ms. Kareen Jabre, Head of partnership between men and women, IPU
Ms. Annette Lawson, UN Representative, NAWO, UK
Ms. Jean Bolen, UN Representative and 5WCW, Pathways to Peace, USA
Ms. Kathleen A. Lahey, Faculty of Law, Queen's University, Canada
Ms. Dilovar Kabulova, Director, Civic Initiatives Support Center, Uzbekistan

9) Human Rights of Women – Room XVII

Convener: Ms. Rita Muyambo, Head of Programs, World YWCA

Moderator: Ms. Ilona Graenitz, Austrian Board Member, European Women's Lobby; President, NGO Committee on the Status of Women, Vienna

Speakers: Ms. Veronica Birga, Chief, Women's Human Rights and Gender Section, OHCHR
Ms. Ana Paradowska, Young women Gender Advocate, Poland
Ms. Helga Konrad, International Consultant and Coordinator of the 'Regional Implementation Initiative on Preventing and Combating Human Trafficking'
Ms. Donika Godaj, Executive Director of YWCA, Albania



16:00 – 16:30 *Coffee break*

16:30 – 18:00 Interactive Roundtables on 3 critical areas of concern and an emerging issue
In parallel sessions:

5) Women and Armed Conflict – Room IX

Convener & Moderator: Ms. Krishna Ahooja Patel, UN Rep., WILPF

Speakers: Ms. Madeleine Rees, Secretary General, WILPF

Ms. Mia Gandenberger, Expert on Military Expenditures

Ms. Kateryna Levchenko, Director of La Strada, Ukraine

11) Women and the Environment – Room XXIII

Convener: Ms. Adebisi Adebayo, Senior Advocacy Officer, IAC

Moderator: Ms. Lorena Aguilar, Global Sr. Gender Advisor, IUCN

Speakers: M. Michel Jarraud, Secretary General, WMO

Ms. Hilary Gbedemah, CEDAW member

Ms. Nadejda Vakhitova, Representative, Women of Mountains Group, Uzbekistan

Ms. Irene Dankelman, Adviser, WEDO

Ms. Corrine Hart, Director, Cleanstoves

Ms. Ewa Larsson, President, Green Women

Ms. Liliya Abbazova, Youth Program Coordinator, Association for the
Environmentally Clean Fergana, Uzbekistan

12) The Girl-Child – Room XI

Convener & Moderator: Ms. Anne Guyaz, Coordinator, NGO-Coordination post Beijing
Switzerland

Speakers: Ms. Petra Stipanic, Ambassador, World Association of Girl Guides & Girl Scouts

Ms. Natalie Trummer, Executive Director, TERRE DES FEMMES, Switzerland

Ms. Susan O'Malley, Vice Chair, NGO CSW/NY

iv) Men & Boys for Gender Equality – Room XVII

Conveners: Ms. Elly Pradervand, White Ribbon Secretariat; UN Rep., Founder & CEO, WWSF

M. Ricardo Espinosa, Head of Development and Global Initiatives, Geneva Centre
for Human Rights Advancement and Global Dialogue (GCHRAGD)

Moderator: M. Ricardo Espinosa, Swiss White Ribbon Ambassador

Speakers: M. Mehmet Carikci, Ambassador, Perm. Mission of Turkey to the UN

M. Nago Humbert, Founder & President, Médecins du Monde-Suisse;
Swiss White Ribbon Ambassador

Dr. Ervin Laszlo, Founder, Club of Budapest; President, E. Laszlo Center for Advanced
Studies; Advisor to the UNESCO Director General

From 18:00 *Free evening*



Wednesday, 5 November

All sessions held in Room XVII - Please be seated 10 minutes prior to the meeting start time

9:00 – 10:00	<p>The future women and girls need: how can we make it happen? Panel & Interactive Discussion Moderator: Ms. Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, President NGO CSW Geneva; General Secretary World YWCA</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Lakshmi Puri, UN Women Deputy Executive Director, Intergovernmental Support and Strategic Partnerships Bureau & Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations• Ms. Kristin Engvig, Founder & CEO, Women's International Networking (WIN)• Ms. Jensine Larsen, CEO & Founder, World Pulse• Ms. Alanna Armitage, Director, UNFPA Office in Geneva• H.E. Ms. Elissa Golberg, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Canada to the United Nations in Geneva
10:00 - 10:30	<p><i>Coffee Break</i></p>
10:30 – 11:30	<p>Key Conclusions & Recommendations from the Interactive Roundtables Presentation & Interactive Discussion</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Manjit Dosanjh, Chair TF Beijing+20 / Editorial Committee; UN Representative for IFUW• Ms. Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, NGO CSW Geneva President; Forum Chair; GS World YWCA
11:30 – 12:30	<p>Closing ceremony Master of Ceremony: Simone Ovard, Forum Co-chair; UN Representative, ZONTA Intl.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Tarja Halonen, former President of the Republic of Finland• Ms. Ingibjorg Gisladdottir, UN Women Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia• Ms. Jane Connors, Director, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights• Mr. Reinout Vos, Deputy Permanent Representative, Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands; Chair UNECE• Ms. Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, NGO CSW Geneva President; Forum Chair; GS World YWCA <p>Forum Theme Song: "Maybe It's You" Music by Julia Goldsby; Lyrics by Robin Goldsby Performed by</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Julia Goldsby, FAWCO Youth Ambassador• Ms. Robin Goldsby, FAWCO Cultural Ambassador
12:30 – 15:00	<p><i>Lunch Break</i></p>
15:00 – 17:00	<p>Advocacy / Lobby Session for participants attending the UN ECE meeting – Room XXIII</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Elly Pradervand, Founder & CEO - Women's World Summit Foundation (WWSF)• Ms. Sonia Heptonstall, UN Main Representative, Solar Cookers International (SCI)• Mr. Hamish Jenkins, United Nations Non-governmental Liaison Service (NGLS)• Ms. Pierrette Pape, Policy Officer and Project Coordinator, European Women's Lobby (EWL)• Ms. Carolina Rodriguez, Head, International Geneva Perception Change Project, Office of the UN Director Geneva

Interpretation

- Interpretation French – English – Russian available for all sessions in Room XVII & XXIII, except the Advocacy / Lobby Session (interpretation French – English only)
- Interpretation French – English available for all sessions in Room IX & XI