Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls

PROGRAMME

MORNING SESSION

10:00—10:30 AM
OPENING SESSION

Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women

H.E. Ms. Geraldine Byrne Nason, Permanent Representative of Ireland to the United Nations, Chair of CSW62

10:30—11:45 AM
PANEL 1: Ensuring rural women’s land rights and tenure security and strengthening food security and nutrition for rural women and girls

MODERATOR:

H.E. Ms. María Emma Mejía Vélez, Permanent Representative of Colombia to the United Nations

PANELISTS:

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

H.E. Mrs. Valentine Rugwabiza, Permanent Representative of Rwanda to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Einar Gunnarsson, Permanent Representative of Iceland to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Lot Thauzeni Pansipadana Dzonzi, Deputy Permanent Representative of Malawi to the United Nations

Ms. Katia Araujo, Director of Advocacy, Landesa

11:45 AM—1:00 PM
PANEL 2: Empowering rural women and girls through quality education and access to information and communications technologies (ICT)

MODERATOR

H.E. Ms. Koki Muli Grignon, Deputy Permanent Representative of Kenya to the United Nations, Vice-Chair of CSW62

PANELISTS:

H.E. Mr. Dian Triansyah Djani, Permanent Representative of Indonesia to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Sven Jürgenson, Permanent Representative of Estonia to the United Nations

H.E. Ms. Nguyen Phuong Nga, Permanent Representative of Viet Nam to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Juan Carlos Mendoza García, Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations

H.E. Mr. Juergen Schulz, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations

Topic Introduction:

Ms. Carla Mucavi
Director, FAO Liaison Office to the United Nations

Ms. Purna Sen
Director, Policy Division, UN-Women
AFTERNOON SESSION

3:00—4:15 PM
PANEL 3: Ensuring access to healthcare and sexual and reproductive health and rights, and to infrastructure, water and sanitation
Topic Introduction:
Ms. Seemin Qayum
Officer-in-charge, Economic Empowerment, UN-Women

MODERATOR:
Ms. Christine Brautigam, Director, Intergovernmental Support Division, UN-Women

PANELISTS:
H.E. Mr. Jouni Laaksonen, Deputy Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations
Dr. Isha Ray, Professor, University of California, Berkeley
Ms. Susan O’Malley, Chair, NGO/CSW

4:15—5:30 PM
PANEL 4: Strengthening laws, policies and programmes to address violence and harmful practices against rural women and girls
Topic Introduction:
Ms. Seemin Qayum
Officer-in-charge, Economic Empowerment, UN-Women

MODERATOR:
H.E. Mr. Masud Bin Momen, Permanent Representative of Bangladesh to the United Nations

PANELISTS:
H.E. Ms. Gillian Bird, Permanent Representative of Australia to the United Nations
H. E. Mr. Martín García Moritán, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations
H.E. Ms. Maria Helena Lopes de Jesus Pires, Permanent Representative of Timor-Leste to the United Nations
Ms. Christine Kalamwina, Deputy Permanent Representative of Zambia to the United Nations
Ms. Marina Kumskova, Programme Associate, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)

5:30—6:00 PM
CLOSING SESSION

H.E. Ms. Marie Chatardová, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the United Nations, President of ECOSOC
Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UN-Women

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