

ANNEX III: Programme of Work of the EGM

United Nations Commission on the Status of Women Sixty-seventh session (CSW67)

Innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls

Expert Group Meeting 10-13 October 2022 (virtual meeting)

Group A: Monday 10 October and Tuesday 11 October, 13:00-17:00 EST

Group B: Wednesday 12 October and Thursday 13 October, 10:00-14:00 CET

Programme of work

Group A	
Monday 10 October and Tuesday 11 October, 13:00-17:00 EST	
DAY 1: Monday, 10 October	
13:00 – 13:30	<p>Welcome and opening of the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming Remarks from UN Women: Åsa Regnér, Deputy Executive Director for Policy, Programme, Civil Society and Intergovernmental Support • Introduction to the objectives and programme of the Expert Group Meeting by the Co-Chairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Caitlin Kraft-Buchman, Co-Founder/Leader <A+> Alliance for Inclusive Algorithms, CEO/Founder Women At The Table – Jamila Venturini, Executive Director, Derechos Digitales • Tour de table: participants to briefly introduce themselves
13:30 – 14:30	<p>Session 1: An overview of the key issues and areas for policy action – Presentation of the Background Papers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing the gender dimensions of digital inequality for policy action <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Alison Gillwald, Executive Director, Research ICT Africa network • Harnessing technology and innovation in the digital age to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Londa Schiebinger, John L. Hinds Professor of History of Science; Director, Gendered Innovations in Science, Health & Medicine, Engineering, and Environment, Stanford University <p><i>Q&A and discussion led by the Co-Chairs</i></p>

14:30 – 14:35	5-minute break
14:35 – 15:35	<p>Session 2: Bridging the gender digital divide and ensuring a gender responsive digital transformation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What policies do we need to make the internet affordable to all? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sonia Jorge, Founder and Executive Director, Global Digital Inclusion Partnership • How to mainstream gender in digital policies and investments? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Ursula Wynhoven, ITU Representative to the UN, NY/ Broadband Commission <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussant: Kathryn Townsend, Director of Policy, World Wide Web Foundation
15:35 – 15:40	5-minute break
15:40-17:00	<p>Session 3: Addressing online and tech-facilitated gender-based violence and discrimination and protecting the rights of women and girls online</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening democracy and accountability and protecting women’s rights in the digital era: The impacts of online GBV and disinformation on women politicians in representative democracies. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Dhanaraj Thakur, Research Director, Center for Democracy & Technology • Addressing gaps and limitations in legal frameworks on online VAWG, and in law enforcement, including on such issues as non-consensual distribution of intimate images, deepfakes, etc. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Suzie Dunn, Assistant Professor, Dalhousie’s Schulich School of Law • Recommendations on Online and ICT-facilitated Violence Against Women and Girls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Kathryn Travers, Policy Specialist, Ending Violence Against Women and Girls, UN Women <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussant: Quinn McKew, Executive Director, ARTICLE 19

Group A	
DAY 2: Tuesday, 11 October	
13:00 – 13:30	<p>Summary of key issues and policy recommendations from Day 1 from the Co-Chairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Feedback from participants
13:30 – 15:00	<p>Session 4: Fostering gender transformative technology and innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Social Justice Framework for Leveraging Data Science to Advance Gender Equity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Lauren Klein, Winship Distinguished Research Professor, Emory University, and Brandeis Marshall, Founder and CEO of DataedX Group • Driving digital financial transformation in support of SDG 5: recent gains and remaining challenges. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Yasmin Bin-Humam, Financial Sector Specialist, and Diana Dezso, Consultant, Consultative Group to Assist the Poor (CGAP) • What mechanisms can ensure digital technologies favour inclusion and close gender gaps? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Elena Estavillo Flores, Chief Executive Officer, Centro-i para la Sociedad del Futuro <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussant: Judith Mariscal, Executive Director, Centro Latam Digital

15:00-15:10	10-minute break
15:10 – 16:45	<p>Session 5: Articulating key messages and policy recommendations for the 67th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women – critical areas of concern, policy gaps, and key recommendations.</p> <p>– Facilitated by the Co-Chairs</p>
16:45 – 17:00	<p>Wrap up and closing by the Co-Chairs</p>

Group B	
Wednesday 12 October and Thursday 13 October, 10:00-14:00 CET	
DAY 1: Wednesday, 12 October	
10:00 – 10:30	<p>Welcome and opening of the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming Remarks from UN Women: Åsa Regnér, Deputy Executive Director for Policy, Programme, Civil Society and Intergovernmental Support • Introduction to the objectives and programme of the Expert Group Meeting by the Co-Chairs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Mei Lin Fung, Chair and Co-founder, People Centred Internet – Nighat Dad, Founder and Executive Director, Digital Rights Foundation • Tour de table: participants to introduce themselves
10:30 – 11:30	<p>Session 1: An overview of the key issues and areas for policy action</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing the gender dimensions of digital inequality for policy action - Presentation of Background Paper 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Alison Gillwald, Executive Director, Research ICT Africa network • Harnessing technology and innovation in the digital age to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls - Presentation of Background Paper 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Londa Schiebinger, John L. Hinds Professor of History of Science; Director, Gendered Innovations in Science, Health & Medicine, Engineering, and Environment, Stanford University (<i>video recording</i>) <p><i>Q&A and discussion led by the Co-Chairs</i></p>
11:30 – 11:35	5-minute break
11:35 – 12:45	<p>Session 2: Bridging the gender gap in digital access and skills</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After Access: Gender and digital access gaps and barriers in Asia: But what about after access? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Helani Galpaya, Chief Executive Officer, LIRNEasia • Addressing stereotypes and practices limiting access to STEM-related education for women and girls. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Milagros Sáinz Ibáñez, Director of the Gender & ICT Research Programme, Universitat Oberta de Catalunya (UOC) • Education in the digital age for women and girls: recommendations from the Transforming Education Summit <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sobhi Tawil, Director of Future of Learning and Innovation, UNESCO • Defining and measuring universal and meaningful connectivity: are the SDGs fit for purpose to report on women and girls progress on gender and technology? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sylvia Poll, Head, Digital Society Division, International Telecommunications Union (ITU) <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussant: Alice Abreu, Professor Emerita of the Federal University of Rio de Janeiro (UFRJ)

12:45 – 12:50	5-minute break
12:50 – 14:00	<p>Session 3: Addressing online and tech-facilitated gender-based violence and discrimination and protecting the rights of women and girls online</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The effects of social media on girls: keeping children safe, preventing abuse and cyber-bullying, and mental health issues. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Nyama Gusona Celestina Marvel and Ian Makamara, Youth Envoys, ITU Generation Connect Africa Youth Group • Women and girls’ freedom of expression, voice, agency and participation in digital spaces and specific groups of women targeted online <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Jan Moolman, Co-Manager, Women’s Rights Programme, Association for Progressive Communications • The gendered impacts of AI and frontier tech: policies and safeguards to regulate new technologies, mitigate risks and protect rights <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Elettra Ronchi, Adjunct Lecturer to Science Po, School of Public Affairs, Paris. • Interlinkages between women’s rights and digital technologies, civic space, data and privacy, and freedom of expression <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Hannah Wu, Chief, Women’s Rights and Gender Section, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR) <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Marwa Fatafta, MENA Policy and Advocacy Manager, Access Now

Group B	
DAY 2: Thursday, 13 October	
10:00 – 10:30	<p>Summary of key issues and policy recommendations from Day 1 from the Co-Chairs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Feedback from participants
10:30 – 11:20	<p>Session 4: Fostering inclusive innovation ecosystems</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Actions and solutions to facilitate women’s careers in technology-driven work environments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Hilde G. Corneliussen, Research Professor, Leader for the Gender, Diversity and Technology research group, Head of Research for Technology and Society, Western Norway Research Institute (Vestlandsforskning) • The role of governments and businesses in driving innovation that tackles gender inequality and narrows the gender digital divide. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Anita Gurumurthy, Executive Director, IT for Change • Embedding gender in technology development to ensure that innovation meets the needs of women and girls <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Oumayma Raimi Rode, Innovation Manager - Gender Equality Portfolio, UNICEF Global Office of Innovation (observer) <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Discussant: Jill Tang, Co-founder, Ladies Who Tech

11:20-11:25	5-minute break
11:25-12:15	<p>Session 5: Ensuring gender responsive digital transformation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building gender-transformative innovation ecosystems supporting women’s entrepreneurship. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Patrice Braun, Adjunct Professor, Research and Innovation, Federation University Australia • The future of work in the digital age: how to leverage digital technology to create higher-quality and gender-inclusive work for women in marginalized communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Sabina Dewan, President and Executive Director, JustJobs Network • Preparing future generations of women for new jobs demands: skilling, re-skilling, digitalization and automation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Chidi King, Chief, Gender, Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Branch (GEDI), ILO <p><i>Remarks from the discussant and plenary discussion on the key issues and recommendations to the CSW</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussant: Ayanna T. Samuels, Aerospace Engineer, Technology Policy and Gender Equity Specialist
12:15-12:30	15-minute break
12:30 – 13:50	<p>Session 6: Articulating key messages and policy recommendations for the 67th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women – critical areas of concern, policy gaps, and key recommendations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Facilitated by the Co-Chairs
13:50 – 14:00	<p>Wrap up and closing by the Co-Chairs</p>



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