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Pre-Conference Session on National Development Processes and New Aid Mechanisms

12.00 Registration Opens

14.00–14.30 Introduction

Ms Noeleen Heyzer
Executive Director, United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)

Ms Lieve Fransen
Head of Unit for Social and Human Development and Gender Equality, DG Development, European Commission

14.30–15.00 Centralizing the MDGs in National Development Planning

Ms Glenys Kinnock
Member, European Parliament

15.00–15.30 The National Development Policy Process: Opportunities for Engagement

Ms. Rehema Kerefu-Sameji
Organization Women's Legal Aid Center (WLAC), Tanzania

Jane Sanyu Mpagi
Director, Gender and Community Development, Ministry of Gender, Labour and Social Development, Uganda

15.30 Break

16.00–18.00 Working Groups I

Key gender equality questions in the national development policies

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18.30 Departure to the Cureghem Cellars

19.00 Welcome Dinner at the Cureghem Cellars

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OPENING ADDRESSES

Promoting Gender Equality and Poverty Reduction in the New Development Strategy
Representative of the European Commission

The 2005 World Summit – Gender Equality in the International Development Agenda

Ms Noeleen Heyzer
Executive Director, UNIFEM

11.00–11.30

Break

11.30–13.00

PLENARY 1

Gender Equality in Development Cooperation: Challenges and Opportunities

Chair: H.E. Ms Judith Mbula Bahemuka
UN Permanent Representative, Kenya

Effectiveness of Aid and Gender Equality

Mr Richard Carey
Deputy Director, Development Assistance Committee, OECD

Gender Equality in the New Aid Architecture: National Ownership

H.E. Ms Angelina Muganza *
Minister of State, Skills Development and Labour, Rwanda

Gender Equality and Development Cooperation: Country Ownership and Donor Partnership

Ms Lieve Franssen
Head of Unit for Social and Human Development and Gender Equality, DG Development, European Commission

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- 13.00–14.30** **Lunch**
- 14.30–16.00** **PLENARY 2**
Gender Equality in National Development: Achievements and Challenges
Chair: Professor Savitri Goonesekere *
Centre for Women's Research (CENWOR), Sri Lanka
- Embedding Gender Equality in National Development Planning**
H.E. Ms Marcela Suazo
Minister of Women's Affairs, Honduras
- Gender-Responsive Budgets – Country Experience**
Mr Saif Eddine Senouci
Ministry of Finance and Privatization, Morocco
- Measuring Progress in Gender Equality**
H.E. Ms Patricia Espinosa
President, National Institute for Women, Mexico
- Embedding Gender Equality in the MDGs**
H.E. Dr Ing Kantha Phavi
Minister of Women's Affairs, Cambodia
- Creating Accountability in National Policy Processes**
Ms Jeanne Makoutode
Social Alert, Rifonga, Benin
- 16.00–16.30** **Break**
- 16.30–18.00** **Working Groups II**
Monitoring accountability to gender equality in aid modalities and partnerships
- 18.30** **Reception**



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PLENARY 3

Strategies for Gender Equality in the New Aid Modalities: Challenges and Opportunities

Chair: H.E. Ms Valerie Nyirahabineza *

Minister of Gender and the Promotion of Family, Rwanda

Monitoring accountability to gender equality in aid modalities and partnerships (Working Groups II report back)

Ms Mirjam van Reisen

Director, Europe External Policy Advisors (EEPA)

Gender and PRSPs in Africa

Ms Zo Randriamaro

Association for Women's Rights in Development, Senegal

Budget Support and Basket Funding: The Case of Kenya

Ms Nyaradzai Gumbonzvanda

Regional Programme Director, East and Horn of Africa Regional Office, UNIFEM

Tracking Governance in Accountability Mechanisms

Ms Anne Marie Goetz

Chief Adviser, Governance, Peace and Security, UNIFEM

Gender Equality in Sector-Wide Support and Budget Support

Mr Bernard Petit

Director, Policy and Sectoral Directorate, DG Development, European Commission

10.30–11.00

Break

11.00–12.30

Working Groups III

Good practices for strengthening gender equality in new aid partnerships

12.30–14.00

Lunch

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14.00–14.15 Good practices for strengthening gender equality in new aid partnerships (Working Groups III report back)

14.15–15.15 **INTERACTIVE PANEL**

Implementing Gender Equality in the New Aid Modalities

Chair: Ms Florence Butegwa

Regional Programme Director, English-Speaking West Africa Regional Office, UNIFEM

- Ms Mayra Buvinic
Sector Director, Gender and Development, World Bank
- Ms Brigitte Holzner
Austrian Development Agency
- Ms Patti O'Neal
Network on Gender Equality, Development Assistance Committee, OECD
- Mr Koos Richelle
Director-General, EuropeAid Cooperation Office, European Commission

15.15–15.45 **Break**

15.45–16.45 **INTERACTIVE PANEL**

Promoting Gender Equality – Women's Voices from the South

Chair: Ms Jacinta Muteshi *

Chairperson, National Commission on Gender and Development, Kenya

- Ms Elizabeth Eilor *
Coordinator, African Women's Economic Policy Network (AWEPON)
- Ms Rukmini Rao
South Asian Alliance for Poverty Eradication (SAAPE)
- Ms Gina Vargas
Flora Tristan, Peru

16.45–17.00 **Conclusions and Closing Ceremony**

- Mr Koos Richelle
Director-General, DG Europe Aid Cooperation Office, European Commission
- Ms Noeleen Heyzer
Executive Director, UNIFEM



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