



**52<sup>nd</sup> Session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)  
Breakfast Event**

***“Needs Assessment and Costing for Gender  
Equality at the National Level”***

***Friday, 29 February 2008***

***8:30-9:50 a.m.***

***UNIFEM Conference Room, 15<sup>th</sup> Floor  
304 E. 45<sup>th</sup> Street, New York***

The Gender Needs Assessment tool is part of a series of sectoral needs assessment tools developed by UNDP to be applied at country-level as an integral part of MDG-based development planning. The tool has been successfully used in Africa, and Asia and the Pacific, where it has allowed Women’s Ministries to estimate the investment needs for MDG3-specific interventions.

The event will offer an excellent opportunity for Member States to engage in discussion with the tool’s designer and other gender equality experts on how the tool can work best for Women’s Ministries to advocate for strong implementation of the MDGs.

**Opening Remarks by**

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**Presentation by**

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