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***Men in Charge?
Gender Equality and Children's Rights
in Contemporary Families***

**Panel Discussion
Friday, 15 May, 2015, 1:15-2:45
UN HQ New York
Conference Room 12**

Draft Programme

Moderator:

Patrick Parkinson, Professor of Law, University of Sydney, Australia

Presentations:

Frank Furstenberg, Zellerbach Family Professor of Sociology, University of Pennsylvania,

“Changing families around the world: The American family in a global context”

Marwa Sharafaldin, Women's rights activist & Board Member, Musawah (The Global Movement for Equality and Justice in the Muslim Family) International Advisory Group

“Gender and equality in Muslim family law”

Fareda Banda, Professor of Law, School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London

“Gender equality and children's rights in family laws: An African perspective”

Srimati Basu, Associate Professor, Gender and Women's Studies, University of Kentucky

“Family violence prevention in South Asia with a focus on India”

Discussion