



**CSW 60
Working Group on Girls
Side Event Proposal**

Girls at the Table: Implementing the SDGs

Date: 1st week of CSW 60 (March 14th – March 18th)

Time: TBD

Location: room inside UN headquarters

Sponsors: Working Group on Girls, Mission of Canada

PROPOSAL: In September 2015, the international community adopted the new Global Goals to direct and achieve social justice, equality, sustainability and peace by the year 2030. The successful implementation of these Global Goals requires the engagement of ALL members and sectors of society. As countries move towards the development of their National Action plans, it remains vital to include those groups often marginalized, hidden, or invisible in the implementation process. This program highlights the importance of bringing girls to the table; it will provide girl activists an opportunity to speak about their efforts to address local challenges within the context of the Sustainable Development Goals. Girl activists will also advocate for the on-going inclusion of girls and girl activists in the development of National Action Plans. “Girls at the Table” showcases girls’ leadership, activism, and creativity as critical local and global actors invested in the Global Goals project.

OVERVIEW: The Working Group on Girls will identify 5-7 girl activists attending CSW 60 and invite them to present their work on implementing the SDGs at the local/grassroots level. Girl activists and WGG Girl Advocates will lead an interactive dialogue which specifies *how* girls can be included in the development and implementation of National Action plans. Potential topics may include:

- Goal 4: Quality Education
- Goal 5: Gender Equality
 - 5.3: FGM & Child Marriage
- Goal 13: Climate Action
- Goal 16: Peace & Justice and Strong Institutions

OBJECTIVES:

- Provide space for girl activists to share implementation strategies for the SDGs
- Showcase girls’ leadership in the context of ensuring the success of the global goals
- Foster dialogue amongst girl activists, girl leaders, CSW participants and global leaders
- Bring girls to the table as peers and leaders in the implementation of National Action plans

LOGISTICS / NEEDS:

- Session Room at UN Headquarters during week 1 of CSW 60
- Webcast technology and language translation if possible

PROGRAM OUTLINE DRAFT
Girls at the Table
90 minutes

- I. Introduction & Welcome: 6 minutes
 - a. Welcome - WGG Girl Facilitator(s) (3 minutes)
 - b. Mission of Canada Representative (3 minutes)

- II. Girl Activists: 50 Minutes
 - a. Girl Activist I: (10 minute)
 - i. Introduction of Girl Activist (2 minutes)
 - ii. Presentation (8 minutes)

 - b. Girl Activist II: (10 minute)
 - i. Introduction of Girl Activist (2 minutes)
 - ii. Presentation (8 minutes)

 - c. Girl Activist III: (10 minute)
 - i. Introduction of Girl Activist (2 minutes)
 - ii. Presentation (8 minutes)

 - d. Girl Activist IV: (10 minute)
 - i. Introduction of Girl Activist (2 minutes)
 - ii. Presentation (8 minutes)

 - e. Girl Activist V: (10 minute)
 - i. Introduction of Girl Activist (2 minutes)
 - ii. Presentation (8 minutes)

- III. Question & Answer: 25 minutes
 - a. Moderated by WGG Girl Facilitator(s)

- IV. Closing Remarks: 6 minutes
 - a. WGG Girl Facilitator(s) (3 minutes)
 - b. Mission of Canada Representative (3 minutes)