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*On the occasion of the sixty-second session of the Commission on the Status of Women
H.E. Ms. Katalin Bogyay, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the UN
Cordially invites you to a high-level panel discussion on*

Opportunities and Instruments for Promoting the Employability of Rural Women

with

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16.45-18.00 p.m.

Conference Room 12, General Assembly Building

Please, register by 9 March on this link: <http://bit.ly/2HmLzRx>





Concept Note

Rural women often face multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination and additional challenges when it comes to entering the labor market, accessing decent work and building a career. Young women are often in need of the skills necessary for successfully finding employment and ensuring self-sufficiency, of the services providing for a smooth re-integration to the workplace after childbirth, as well as for balancing career, family commitments and domestic work.

The panel will discuss policies, best practices and civil society initiatives aimed at facilitating employment of women in the rural areas. From education and training programs to life-long learning opportunities, from family-responsive policies to tailored and affordable childcare services, there is a comprehensive set of steps to take in order to provide access to employment, and thus ensuring income security, improved livelihoods and more life options for rural women. Speakers will share their diverse experiences and new ideas, presenting what Governments, international organizations and the civil society can do together to step up employment of rural women.

Panelists and the audience will seek answers to the following questions:

1. What are the main challenges specific to women in rural areas when it comes to education and employment?
2. How can national and local governments, the private sector and civil society work together to facilitate rural women's access to decent work and building a career?
3. What government policies and incentives for employers are most successful in enabling rural women to balance work, household and family commitments?
4. What innovative solutions, emerging positive trends exist in terms of flexible working arrangements, remote work, and childcare services?

