



AGENDA
WASH Roundtable at CSD13:
Mobilizing Women Leaders for the MDGs

Tuesday 19 April 2005, 1.15-2.45
Conference Room 2, United Nations , New York

“There is no other tool for development more effective than the empowerment of women ... no other policy is likely to raise economic productivity or reduce infant and child mortality and no other policy is as powerful in increasing the chances of education for the next generation.”
"UN Secretary General Kofi Annan , 28 February 2005"

Curtain raiser:

The BBC Earth Report video “The shame that drives girls out of school”

1.15 Launch of Women Leaders for WASH

Mr. Gourisankar Ghosh, Executive Director, WSSCC
Hon. Ms Maria Mutagamba, Minister of State for Water, Uganda & Chair of
African Ministers Council on Water (AMCOW)
Hon. Ms Hilde F. Johnson, Minister of International Development, Norway

Roundtable Opening remarks by WASH supporter Mrs. Nane Annan

Roundtable dialogue moderated by Minister Hilde F. Johnson starts;

– Introduction of key speakers

Hon. Buyelwa Sonjica, Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry, South Africa
Hon. Mamphono Khaketla, Minister of Natural Resources, Lesotho
Hon. Martha Karua, Minister of Water and Irrigation, Kenya
Hon. Penelope Beckles, Minister of Public Utilities and the Environment,
Trinidad and Tobago
Hon. Carmen Arevalo, Vice-Minister of Environment, Colombia
Dr. Anna K. Tibaijuka, Executive Director UN-Habitat
Dr. Kerstin Leitner, Assistant Director General, WHO
Dr. Sunita Narain, Director, Centre for Science and Environment, India
(Stockholm Prize 2005 winner)
Ms. Rima Salah, Deputy Executive Director, UNICEF
Dr. June Zeitlin, Executive Director, Women's Environment and Development
Organization (WEDO)

- Round of questions to key speakers
- Open discussion

Conclusion and Closure of Roundtable