

**ORGANIZATION OF THE FIFTY-FIFTH SESSION OF THE CSW
22 February - 4 March 2011**

WEEK 1	Mon. 21 February 2011	Tuesday, 22 February 2011	Wednesday, 23 February 2011	Thursday, 24 February 2011	Friday, 25 February 2011
10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	UN Holiday	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Opening of the session - Election of officers (Item 1) - Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (Item 2) - Introduction of documents [Item 3 as a whole] <p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(opens)</i></p> <p>Review of the implementation of: the BPfA and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the GA - sharing of experiences and good practices on implementation of the Platform for Action, with a view to overcoming remaining obstacles and new challenges</p>	<p>Panel 1: Access and participation of women and girls to education, training, science and technology, including for the promotion of women’s equal access to full employment and decent work</p> <p>Key policy initiatives and capacity-building on gender mainstreaming</p> <p>Focus on science and technology</p>	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p>	<p>Panel 3: Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions on “The elimination of all forms of discrimination and violence against the girl child”</p>
1 – 3 p.m.				<p>Panel for 2012: The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges</p>	
3.00 – 6.00 p.m.		<p>Two parallel high-level round tables on the priority theme: Access and participation of women and girls to education, training, science and technology, including for the promotion of women’s equal access to full employment and decent work – (Item 3 (a) (i))</p>	<p>Panel 2: Access and participation of women and girls to education, training, science and technology, including for the promotion of women’s equal access to full employment and decent work</p> <p>Key policy initiatives and capacity-building on gender mainstreaming</p> <p>Focus on education and training</p>	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p>	<p>Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)</p>

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WEEK 2	Monday, 28 February 2011	Tuesday, 1 March 2011	Wednesday, 2 March 2011	Thursday, 3 March 2011	Friday, 4 March 2011
10.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.	<p>General discussion (Item 3) <i>(concluded)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i> Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)</p>	<p>Panel 4: Emerging issues, trends and new approaches to issues affecting the situation of women or equality between women and men</p> <p>Gender equality and sustainable development</p> <p><i>3.00 pm: deadline for submission of draft proposals</i></p>	Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)	<p>Follow-up to the Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions (Item 5) - <i>introduction and discussion</i></p> <p>followed by: Introduction of draft proposals</p> <p><i>in parallel with</i> Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)</p>	Action on draft proposals
1 – 3 p.m.					
3.00 – 6.00 p.m.	Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)	<p>Panel 5: Elimination of preventable maternal mortality and morbidity and the empowerment of women <i>(CSW resolution 54/5)</i></p>	<p>Closed meeting to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications (Item 4)</p> <p>followed by: Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)</p>	Informal consultations (Agreed conclusions)	<p>-Action on draft proposals -Provisional agenda for the 56th session of CSW (Item 6) -Adoption of the draft report of the CSW on its 55th session (Item 7) -Closure of the 55th session followed by -Opening of the 56th session, for the sole purpose of electing the Chair and other Members of the Bureau</p>

NB:

- In light of the priority theme of CSW.55 (2011) and that of the ECOSOC AMR in 2011 (“Implementing the internationally agreed goals and commitments in regards to education”) it is proposed that the CSW.55 outcome of the discussion serves as input to AMR 2011, and that no separate CSW panel discussion be convened.
- International Women’s Day will be observed at UN HQ on 8 March 2011