

### **Provisional Agenda and Annotations**

1. Opening of the session and adoption of the agenda.
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  - (a) Integrated and coordinated follow-up to Beijing, the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly on “Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century” and major conferences as they relate to the Millennium Development Goals, and the ten-year review of the Platform for Action.
  - (b) *World’s Women 2005: Trends and Statistics*
  - (c) Preparations for 2004 ECOSOC Coordination Segment: Review and appraisal of the system-wide implementation of its agreed conclusions 1997/2 on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system.
3. Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).
4. Follow-up to inter-sessional activities:
  - (a) Gender equality and the MDGs;
  - (b) Gender and information and communication technologies;
  - (c) Women, peace and security;
  - (d) Mainstreaming a gender perspective in Common Country Assessments and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework;
  - (e) Gender mainstreaming in programme budgets;
  - (f) Database activities including WomenWatch;
  - (g) Gender and trade; and
  - (h) Gender and water;
5. Matters related to the Commission on the Status of Women
6. Ten-year review of the Beijing Platform for Action.
7. Matters related to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.
8. Workshop on gender mainstreaming in programme monitoring and reporting.

9. Human resources and the status of women in the UN system.
10. Other matters.
11. Adoption of the report, including dates and provisional agenda for the next session.

## Annotations

### Item 1: Opening of the session and adoption of agenda

Ms. Angela E.V. King, Chairperson of the Inter-Agency Network on Women and Gender Equality, will make an opening statement and review the Network's work programme for the session.

#### Documentation

Provisional agenda and annotations (IANWGE/2004/1)

Proposed programme of work (IANWGE/2004/2)

List of documents (IANWGE/2004/3)

### Item 2 (a) **Integrated and coordinated follow-up to the Fourth World Conference on Women and to the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: gender equality, development and peace for the twenty-first century" and major conferences as they relate to the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), the UN reform process and the ten-year review of the Platform for Action**

Under this item, members will be invited to make suggestions on the future work of the Network. Rather than presenting information on activities undertaken by each entity, members are encouraged to identify emerging issues that require interventions from the UN system and issues that need to be addressed in the follow-up to Beijing, the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly, the MDGs and the UN reform process.

#### Documentation

Implementation of the United Nations Millennium Declaration (A/58/323)

United Nations Millennium Declaration (A/RES/55/2)

Integrated and coordinated implementation and follow-up to major UN conferences and summits (A/58/359)

General Assembly resolution 57/270B on Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to major UN conferences and summits

### Item 2 (b) ***World's Women 2005: Trends and Statistics***

Under this item, plans for the publication of the *World's Women 2005: Trends and Statistics* will be discussed. The proposed publication is part of the series of reports (the others were issued in 1991, 1995 and 2000) that examine the status of women through statistical data and analysis. The UN Statistics Division prepares the publication, in consultation with the Division for the Advancement of Women.

**Item 2 (c) Preparations for 2004 ECOSOC Coordination Segment: Review and appraisal of the system-wide implementation of its agreed conclusions 1997/2 on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system.**

Under this item, the Network will provide feedback on the outline/format of the report on Review and appraisal of the system-wide implementation of its agreed conclusions 1997/2 on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system.

**Documentation**

Outline of the draft report on Review and appraisal of the system-wide implementation of its agreed conclusions 1997/2 on mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

ECOSOC resolution 2003/49: Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

ECOSOC Agreed Conclusions 1997/2 on Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system

**Item 3: Millennium Development Goals**

First, under this item, the MDGs will be examined from a gender perspective. Second, there will be a discussion on what individual entities have been doing to bring attention to the gender aspects of the MDGs. Third, members will be invited to suggest how the Network can collaborate on this issue, including preparation of briefing notes for wide dissemination.

**Item 4: Follow-up to inter-sessional activities**

Item 4 consists of eight sub-items. It is proposed that the sub-items are introduced and discussed briefly in plenary to identify the types of decisions to be taken. Working groups could then develop further actions, prepare draft decisions, and report back to plenary for decision by the Network.

(a) Gender equality and the MDGs

At its session in 2003, the Network agreed that to establish a new Task Force to foster a common approach to engendering the MDGs. The Task Force would undertake a number of activities including the creation of a web page to be used as a gateway to the work of agencies on these issues.

The Task Managers, UNDP and World Bank, will brief the Network on its activities in 2003, including the outcome of the workshop on Gender Equality and the MDGs held 19-20 November 2003 at the World Bank.

### **Documentation**

Report of the Task Managers, UNDP and the World Bank, on Gender and the MDGs (IANWGE/2004/4)

(b) *Gender and information and communication technologies*

At the 2003 session of the IANWGE, the Network entrusted ITU/UNESCO/FAO to serve as Task Managers and continue to facilitate activities in preparation for the World Summit on the Information Society in 2003.

The Task Manager, FAO, will brief the Network on the final outcome of the World Summit on the Information Society and proposed activities for follow-up.

### **Documentation**

Report of the Task Managers, ITU/UNESCO/FAO, on Gender and information and communication technologies (IANWGE/2004/5)

(c) *Women, peace and security*

In 2003, the IANWGE requested the Task Force on Women, Peace and Security to monitor progress and ensure follow-up to the Security Council resolution 1325 (2000) and the recommendations emanating from the Secretary-General's study and report.

OSAGI, the Task Manager, will brief participants on the follow-up activities, including the coordination of a series of events in celebration of the anniversary of Security Council resolution 1325 (2000). The Task Manager will also provide information on the Secretary-General's report to the Security Council on implementation of Security Council resolution 1325 (2000), an update on the status of the database of NGOs involved in the peace-keeping and peace-building process, the database on gender experts created in collaboration with DPKO, and other activities.

### **Documentation**

Report of the Task Manager OSAGI on Women, peace and security (IANWGE/2004/6)

(d) *Mainstreaming a gender perspective in Common Country Assessments and the United Nations Development Assistance Framework*

At the session of the IANWGE 2003, the Network agreed that the Task Force would undertake three follow-up actions that would take the initial results of the CCA/UNDAF further.

The Task Manager, UNIFEM will brief the Network on the inter-sessional activities including three case studies developed to further explore and understand the dynamics that contribute to gender equality being successfully mainstreamed in coordination mechanisms, including the CCA/UNDAF and others.

**Documentation**

Report of the Task Manager, UNIFEM, on gender mainstreaming in the CCA/UNDAF process (IANWGE/2004/7)

(e) *Gender mainstreaming in programme budgets*

In 2003, the IANWGE agreed that the Task Force, which had been working since February 1998 on the development of case studies on mainstreaming gender perspectives in programme budgets would complete its work and present the final report to the Network at its session in 2004.

The Task Force Manager, DAW, will present the final report.

**Documentation**

Report of the Task Manager, DAW, on gender mainstreaming in programme budgets (IANWGE/2004/8)

(f) *Database activities including WomenWatch*

At its session in 2003, the Network endorsed proposals for the future work on WomenWatch and agreed that specific efforts would be made to disseminate information on WomenWatch throughout the UN system.

The Task Manger, DAW will brief the Network on activities undertaken at the management, technical and substantive levels by the Task Force.

**Documentation**

Report of the Task Manager, DAW, on the WomenWatch Committee (IANWGE/2004/9)

(g) *Gender and Trade*

In 2003, the Network established a Task Force on Gender and Trade. The Task Force was successfully launched in Geneva on 17 July 2003 in a two-day meeting.

The Task Manager, UNCTAD, will brief the Network on activities since its establishment, including plans for the joint publication on “Gender and Trade: Opportunities and Challenges”, and for UNCTAD XI in June 2004.

**Documentation**

Report of the Task Manager, UNCTAD, on Gender and Trade (IANWGE/2004/10)

(h) *Gender and water*

At its 2003 session, the Network decided to establish a new Task Force on Gender and Water.

The Task Manager DESA/Sustainable Development will brief the Network on its establishment and activities during 2003, including providing inputs on integrating a gender perspective in the work of the Water and Sanitation Task Force of the Millennium Project.

**Documentation**

Report of the Task Manager DESA/Sustainable Development on Gender and Water (IANWGE/2004/11)

**Item 5: Matters related to the Commission on the Status of Women**

The Division for the Advancement of Women will present matters related to the forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (1-12 March 2004), which has its two main themes as “The role of men and boys in achieving gender equality” and “Women’s equal participation in conflict prevention, management, and conflict resolution and in post-conflict peace-building”. There will also be a discussion on the plans for International Women’s Day (8 March 2004) being prepared under an IANWGE Task Force for International Women’s Day, chaired by OSAGI.

**Documentation**

Annotated provisional agenda and proposed organization of work for the forty-eighth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (E/CN.6/2004/1)

**Item 6: Ten-year review of the Beijing Platform for Action**

For the ten-year review of the Beijing Platform for Action, the Commission on the Status of Women will assess the implementation of the Platform under the twelve critical areas of concerns as well as new and emerging issues identified in the outcome document of the twenty-third special session of the General Assembly.

**Documentation**

Questionnaire to governments on implementation of the Beijing platform for action (1995) and the outcome of the twenty-third special session of the general assembly (2000)

**Item 7: Matters related to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women**

The Division will present matters related to the thirtieth session of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (12-30 January 2004) and the next session in July 2004 (5-23 July 2004). Ways of enhancing UN system reporting to the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW) will also be discussed.

**Item 8: Workshop on gender mainstreaming in programme monitoring and reporting**

At the IANWGE 2003, the Network decided to hold a workshop on gender mainstreaming in programme reporting and monitoring. The workshop will take place on Wednesday, 25 February 2004 (10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. and 3.00 p.m. to 6.00 p.m.) The agenda for the workshop is contained in the annex.

**Item 9: Human resources and status of women in the UN system**

Under this item, the Office of the Focal Point on Women/OSAGI will provide up-to-date statistics on the number and percentage of women in the UN system. The Office will also provide information on the mandated study [General Assembly resolution 57/180, para 5 (i)] on probable causes of the slow advance in the improvement of the status of women in the UN system, strategies for achieving targets, and related developments in the High Level Committee on Management (HLCM).

**Documentation**

Improvement of the status of women in the United Nations system - Report of the Secretary-General (A/58/374)

General Assembly resolution 57/180: Improvement of the status of women in the United Nations system.

**Item 10: Other matters**

(to be added)

**Item: 11: Adoption of the report, including dates and provision agenda for the next session**

The Network will adopt its report, including its decisions and procedures for preparing the next session of the Network in 2005. Taking into consideration the proposed dates for the forty-ninth session of the CSW (first 2 weeks in March 2005), the Network may decide to hold its next session from (21-24 February 2005).

In preparation for the provisional agenda for its session in 2005, attention is drawn to the review and appraisal of the Beijing Platform for Action in 2005. The Network's attention is also drawn to the fact that some of the Network's ongoing tasks might be concluded at the present session. The Network may wish to decide upon new tasks and on inter-sessional preparations by task managers and working groups.