



Joint Biennial Workshop of the United Nations Inter-Agency Network on Women and Gender Equality (IANWGE) and the OECD DAC Network on Gender Equality (GENDERNET)

"Food Security and Land Rights: Empowering Rural Women"

DRAFT AGENDA

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Objectives

The overall objective of the joint workshop is to inform participants so that they are better equipped to contribute to policy and programming discussions on gender equality, food security and land rights, and to inspire innovation within their agencies, by:

- deepening knowledge and understanding of issues related to women's role and access to productive resources and markets for food security and agriculture;
- identifying entry points for strengthening practice in both policy approaches and programming; and
- encouraging the free exchange of information and collaboration amongst gender advisors, agricultural specialists and other development actors from bilateral and multilateral agencies, government partners and civil society.

Tuesday 31 January		
08h00	Registration opens at the UN ECA Conference Centre.	
09h15-12h00	OPENING PLENARY	
Conference Room 5	Chair: Patti O'Neill, Acting Head of the Policy Division, OECD Development Co-operation Directorate	
	Welcome remarks	
	 Co-Chair of the GENDERNET: Annika Törnqvist, Sweden On behalf of UN IANWGE: Moez Doraid, Director of UN Coordination Division, UN Women UN Economic Commission for Africa (ECA): Thokozile (Thoko) Ruzvidzo, Director, African Centre for Gender and Social Development 	
	Coffee break	
	OPENING PLENARY continued	
	Setting the scene. Food security and land rights: empowering rural women	
	 Women's contribution to food and nutrition security: Challenges and opportunities: Boitshepo (Bibi) Giyose, Food and Nutrition Security Advisor, NEPAD 	

	 Implications of the aid and development effectiveness agenda: Áine Doody, Irish Aid, Co-Chair of the GENDERNET Empowering rural women through employment and agriculture: Eve Crowley, Deputy Director, Gender, Equity and Rural Employment Division, FAO Empowering rural women – the works of the World Food Programme (WFP) on food and nutrition: Isatou Jallow, Chief of the Gender Unit, WFP Discussion
12h00-13h30	The UN conference centre has four different low-priced restaurants where workshop participants may choose to have their lunch.
13h30-15h30	1) PARALLEL BREAKOUT GROUPS
Interpretation will be available in session 1a	 1a Exploring approaches to support rural women in the agriculture sector Conference Room 5 Facilitator: Martinus Desmet, delegate to the Development Assistance Committee, Belgium Working at the macro/policy level – an example from Tanzania with the Ministry of Agriculture. Speaker: Lucy Tesha Merere, Gender Advisor, Irish Aid Tanzania. Working through an NGO – supporting sustainable and fair agriculture for women and young people in Senegal. Speaker: Pauline Ndiaye, ENDA (Environmental Development Action in the Third World) Senegal. Empowering rural women to exercise their right to health by addressing socio-cultural determinants of sexual and reproductive health. Speaker: Gayle Nelson, UNFPA Discussion 1b Measuring what we do: data and funding for rural women's empowerment Conference Room 6 Facilitator: Christing Brendel, GIZ
	 Facilitator: Christine Brendel, GIZ Analysis of data on the MDGs and rural women. Speaker: Catherine Hill, Senior Gender Advisor, UN Inter-Agency Task Force on Rural Women World Bank support for women's empowerment through agriculture and rural development. Example from Kenya: results from a rural survey using sex-disaggregated data. Speakers: Jeni Klugman, Director, Gender and Development, World Bank and Åsa Torkelsson, World Bank Kenya. Measuring official development assistance for gender equality and women's empowerment in the agriculture and rural development sectors. Speaker: Jenny Hedman, Secretariat of the OECD DAC Network on Gender Equality Discussion

	1c Reinforcing rural women's rights and voice Caucus Room 5 Facilitator: Johanne Lortie, ITC/ILO
	 Leave No Woman Behind – a UNFPA and WFP Joint Programme that aims to test and scale-up pilot projects to empower women in different regions in Ethiopia. Speakers: Berhanu Legesse and Ane Etxebarria Atxutegi, UNFPA Empowering rural women through increased participation – a programme by the NGO FARM-Africa in Ethiopia. Speakers: Zemach Getahun, FARM-Africa and Etenesh Daniel, farmer. Good practices in promoting a human rights based approach to the issue of gender and land rights – the case of Fiji. Speaker: Gaynel Curry, Gender and Women's Rights Advisor, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
15h30-15h45	Coffee break
15h45-17h45	2) PARALLEL BREAKOUT GROUPS
Interpretation will be available in session 2a	 2a Using community-based approaches and local knowledge to increase access to food Conference Room 5 Facilitator: Annika Törnqvist, Sida Binga women fish and income – UN Women Zimbabwe Gender Support Programme.
	 2b Strengthening ownership and access to land Conference Room 6 Facilitator: Patti O'Neill, OECD DAC Land title registration in Rwanda. Speaker: Markus Goldstein, World Bank Land rights for Maasai women – Maasai Women Development Organisation (MWEDO), in partnership with UN Habitat and the Huairou Commission. Speaker: Ndinini Kimesera, Executive Director of MWEDO Employment co-operation for land rights in Tanzania. Speaker: Flora Minja, ILO Discussion

	 2c Supporting women's access to markets and value chain development Caucus Room 5 Facilitator: Åsa Torkelsson, World Bank Kenya Research on integrating small-scale farmers in rural markets in Mozambique. Speakers: Gabriella Rossetti, University of Ferrara and Roberta Pellizzoli, University of Bologna Gender analysis of the value chain of a commodity traded across borders – case study from the African Center for Gender and Social Development's (ACGS) project. An Ethiopian experience. Speaker: UN ECA The "grow to sell" approach and the Smallholder Horticulture Empowerment Project. Speaker: Florence Khaemba Mangoli, Horticultural Crops Development Authority, Kenya Discussion		
	Reception for workshop participants		
	Hosted by the African Center for Gender and Social Development, UNECA		
	Wednesday 1 February		
09h00-10h45	PLENARY SESSION		
Conference	Chair: Eve Crowley, Deputy Director, Gender, Equity and Rural Employment Division, FAO		
Room 5	Sum-up of Day 1. Speaker: Áine Doody, Ireland, Co-Chair of the GENDERNET		
	Feedback from participants		
	Enhancing co-ordination and complementarity to support rural women: key factors for scaling-up support		
	 Creating synergies – UN inter-agency co-ordination. Speaker: Moez Doraid, Director, Division of UN Coordination, UN Women The bilateral perspective. Speaker: Natalie St. Lawrence, Senior Advisor and Manager, Gender Equality, CIDA IFAD experiences of scaling-up for gender equality and women's empowerment. Speaker: Clare Bishop-Sambrook, Senior Technical Advisor – Gender, Empowerment and Social Inclusion, Policy and Technical Advisory Division. Programme Management Department, IFAD 		
10h45-11h00	Coffee break		
11h00-13h00	3) PARALLEL BREAKOUT GROUPS		
Interpretation will be available in session 3a	3a Fostering innovation and research to support rural women in the agriculture sector Conference Room 5 Facilitator: Tacko Ndiaye, Adviser on Economic Empowerment, UN Women		

- Experience of the Farmers Research Group Project, sponsored by JICA. Speaker: Fisseha Zegeye and Yeshi Chiche, Ethiopian Institute of Agricultural Research.
- "African Market Garden" a small-scale horticultural production package implemented in Senegal as a means to empower women by decreasing labour requirements for irrigation and weeding. Speaker: Ronit Golovaty, Israel.
- FAO's work on the gender equity implications of large land-related investments. Speaker: Speaker: Libor Stloukal, Population Policy Officer, Gender, Equity and Rural Employment Division (ESW), Economic and Social Development Department, FAO.

Discussion

3b Bringing about changes in gender relations "from within"

Conference Room 6

The distinctiveness of household-based approaches to training and extension is that they bring about changes in gender relations "from within", rather than being imposed "from without". This interactive session will include a hands-on exercise to demonstrate household-based approaches.

Facilitator: Thies Reemer, Project Leader "Women's Empowerment Mainstreaming and Networking" (WEMAN), Oxfam Novib. Resource persons: Clare Bishop-Sambrook, IFAD, Cathy Farnworth, independent consultant and Judith Ruko, District Livelihoods Support Programme, Uganda.

3c Promoting sustainable development for food and land

Caucus Room 5

Facilitator: Isatou Jallow, Chief of the Gender Unit, WFP

- Women's role in greening agriculture to achieve food security: UNEP's work within the Green Economy Programme. Speaker: Janet Kabeberi-Macharia, UNEP
- Implementing Belgium's Indicative Cooperation Programme 2011-2014 with Rwanda working with Farmers Field Schools. Saskia Ravesloot, Belgium
- FAO's long-term (20+ years) support to the country's land reform gender aspects and the importance of a system-approach. Speaker: Marianna Bicchieri, Chief Technical Advisor, Land and Gender Project, FAO Mozambique

Discussion

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13h00-14h30	LUNCH The UN conference centre has four different low-priced restaurants where workshop participants may choose to have their lunch.
14h30-16h15	4) PARALLEL BREAKOUT GROUPS
Interpretation will be available in session 4a	4a Advancing rural women's right to education and a better life Conference Room 5 Facilitator: Áine Doody, Irish Aid

	 UNITE campaign to end violence against women in rural areas. Speaker: Jennet Kem, campaign manager, Africa UNITE Campaign to End Violence Against Women and Girls in Africa Education for rural women and girls. Speaker: Jane Freedman, UNESCO Discussion 4b Supporting access to food and productive resources Conference Room 6 Facilitator: Janet Kabeberi-Macharia, UNEP Introduction by Somali Cerise, OECD Development Centre, based on research on land rights, food security and agricultural production The Agriculture Support Programme: using household-based approaches to empower women in Zambia. Speaker: Torsten Andersson, Sida Discussion
16h15-16h30	Coffee break
16h30-17h15	PLENARY: CLOSING SESSION
Conference Room 5	 Co-chairs' conclusions: key messages from the workshop. Annika Törnqvist, Sweden, Co-Chair of the GENDERNET and Moez Doraid, Director of UN Coordination Division, UN Women, on behalf of UN IANWGE Closing remarks

Thursday 2 February

Workshop participants are invited to sign up for one of the field visits on Thursday 2 February. Please see the Field Visit Compendium for more information.