



THE PRESIDENT  
OF THE  
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

25 February 2019

Excellency,

Further to my letters dated 28 November 2018 and 7 February 2019, I have the honour to enclose herewith the preliminary programme of the High-level event on 'Women in Power' to be held on 12 March 2019. Member States are encouraged to participate in the event at the highest possible level.

For further information, your Office may contact my Deputy Chef de Cabinet, Ambassador Yanerit Morgan ([yanerit.morgansotomayor@un.org](mailto:yanerit.morgansotomayor@un.org)) and Adviser, Ms. Eva Schafer ([eva.schafer@un.org](mailto:eva.schafer@un.org)).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading 'MF ESPINOSA'.

María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés

All Permanent Representatives and  
Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York

**High-Level Event on Women in Power**  
**12 March 2019, Trusteeship Council Chamber, UNHQ**  
**Preliminary Programme**

09:00–09:20 am	<p><b>Opening segment</b></p> <p><u>Speakers:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H. E. María Fernanda Espinosa Garcés, President of the General Assembly</li> <li>- Mr. António Guterres, Secretary-General, United Nations (tbc)</li> <li>- Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Executive Director, UN Women</li> </ul>
9:20–10:30 am	<p><b>High-Level Roundtable: <i>How Women Leaders Change the World (Part I)</i></b></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Richard Lui, Anchor, MSNBC</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H. E. Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of Lithuania</li> <li>- Rt. Hon. Bidya Devi Bhandari, President of Nepal</li> <li>- H. E. Paula-Mae Weekes O.R.T.T., President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago</li> <li>- H. E. Marta Lucía Ramírez, Vice-President of the Republic of Colombia</li> <li>- H. E. Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and Vice-President of the European Commission</li> </ul>
10:30–11:45 am	<p><b>High-Level Roundtable: <i>How Women Leaders Change the World (Part II)</i></b></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Shery Ahn, Anchor, Bloomberg TV</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H. E. Kolinda Grabar-Kitarović, President of Croatia</li> <li>- H. E. Mrs. Kersti Kaljulaid, President of the Republic of Estonia</li> <li>- H. E. Katrín Jakobsdóttir, Prime Minister of Iceland</li> <li>- H. E. Isabel de Saint Malo de Alvarado, Vice President and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Panama</li> <li>- H. E. Alain Berset, Federal Councillor, Head of the Federal Department of Home Affairs, Switzerland</li> </ul>
11:45 am– 1:00 pm	<p><b>High-Level Roundtable: <i>Future of Women's Leadership</i></b></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Folly Bah Thibault, Principal Presenter, Al Jazeera</p> <p><u>Panelists:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- H. E. Mary Robinson, President of the Mary Robinson Foundation – Climate Justice and Chair of the Elders</li> <li>- H. E. Epsy Campbell Barr, First Vice-President of Costa Rica</li> <li>- H. E. Marina Pendeš, Minister of Defence, Bosnia and Herzegovina</li> <li>- Ms. Muniba Mazari, Artist, Speaker, Humanitarian, Television Anchor and National Goodwill Ambassador for UN Women Pakistan</li> <li>- Major General Alenka Ermenc, Chief of the General Staff of the Slovenian Armed Forces</li> </ul>