MULTI-STAKEHOLDER HEARING

Moderated dialogue among gender equality leaders
Tuesday, 21 July 2020, 10.10 – 11.40, United Nations Headquarters (virtual)

BIO-NOTES

Moderator: Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, Chief Executive, Rozaria Memorial Trust, Zimbabwe

Dr. Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda is the Founder and Chief Executive of Rozaria Memorial Trust. She serves as the African Union Goodwill Ambassador on Ending Child Marriages since 2014 and is the current Chair of Action Aid International. Gumbonzvanda previously served as General Secretary of the World Young Women’s Christian and has worked with the United Nations in various roles for almost 10 years, focusing on women’s and children’s human rights.

Ministers and Stakeholders

H.E. Elizabeth Gómez Alcorta, Minister of Women, Genders and Diversity, Argentina

Elizabeth Gómez Alcorta is currently the Minister of Women, Genders and Diversity of Argentina and a lecturer at the University of Buenos Aires (UBA) Law School. She graduated as a feminist lawyer with specialization in criminal law from the University of Buenos Aires and is a Specialist in Political Science and Sociology (FLACSO). Gómez Alcorta was an official in the Judiciary, the Public Prosecutor’s Office and in the Ministry of Justice and Human Rights of the Nation and served as an advisor in the Chamber of Senators of the Province of Buenos Aires and in the National Chamber of Deputies. She practiced law focusing on criminal law, human rights and rights of indigenous peoples.

H.E. Zaruhi Batoyan, Minister of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia

Zaruhi Batoyan was born in 1979 in Yerevan, Armenia. In 2008, she graduated from the Department of Journalism at Yerevan State University. Throughout her career Minister Batoyan has held various positions in a number of institutions dealing with the protection of the rights of people with disabilities. She is the founding president of “Disability Info” NGO. In 2017, she was
elected member of the Yerevan Council of Elders. On 11 June 2018, she was appointed RA Deputy Minister of Labour and Social Affairs. As of 19 January 2019, Mrs. Batoyan is the Minister of Labour and Social Affairs of the Republic of Armenia.

The Hon. Frankie Alfred Campbell, Minister of Social Services and Urban Development (with responsibility for Gender Affairs)

The Honourable Frankie Alfred Campbell currently serves as the Minister of Social Services and Urban Development of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas. In that capacity, he has several areas of responsibility which include Gender Affairs, Social Services, Family Affairs, Social Development, Child Protection, Persons with Disabilities, Public Assistance, Social Welfare, Pensions, Older Persons, Rehabilitative Services, Urban Renewal and Community Development. He has previously served as the Minister for Transport and Aviation. Prior to being elected as the Member of Parliament for the Southern Shores constituency in 2017, Minister Campbell was a dedicated member of the Royal Bahamas Police Force with nearly thirty years of experience. He has also served within the Bahamian Foreign Service. In addition to extensive international training, he also has undergraduate degrees in Business Administration and Law.

H.E. Jung Ok Lee, Minister of Gender Equality and Family, Republic of Korea

Dr. Jung Ok Lee serves as Minister of Gender Equality and Family of the Republic of Korea since 9 September 2019. After receiving a Ph.D. degree in sociology at Seoul National University in Korea in 1990, she was invited as a visiting scholar at Harvard University in the United States in 1991 and Waseda University in Japan in 1998. Dr. Lee was a professor of sociology at Daegu Catholic University for 30 years and has engaged with civil society agendas, serving as a leader of many NGOs.

H.E. David Moinina Sengeh, Minister of Primary and Secondary Education, Sierra Leone

Hon. Dr. David Moinina Sengeh is Minister of Basic and Senior Secondary Education, and the Chief Innovation Officer for the Government of Sierra Leone. He provides strategic and policy leadership for both the Ministry of Basic and Senior Secondary Education and the Directorate of Science, Technology and Innovation. Dr. Sengeh holds several patents and has published academic articles across fields of education, healthcare and augmentation, and artificial intelligence. He has spoken to audiences globally on topics related to digital governance, education, youth innovation, prosthetics design, fourth industrial revolution and more.

Lina Abou-Habib, Executive Director, Collective for Research and Training-Action, Lebanon

Lina Abou-Habib is Executive Director of Women’s Learning Partnership, and Executive Director of the Collective for Research and Training on Development-Action (CRTD-A), which promotes women’s leadership, political participation, and citizenship and economic rights in Lebanon and the MENA region. Abou-Habib is a co-founder and coordinator of the Machreq/Maghreb Gender Linking and Information Project.
Nino Lomjaria, Public Defender of Georgia

Nino Lomjaria is the Public Defender of Georgia, which serves as the country’s national human rights institution. She previously served as the First Deputy Auditor General in the State Audit Office of Georgia and as the Secretary-General of European Network of Election Observer Organizations. Ms. Lomjaria also held the position of Executive Director of International Society for Fair Elections and Democracy (ISFED). She was awarded the title of the Human Rights Activist of 2014 for her activism and advocacy campaign to promote and protect human rights with a focus on electoral rights, women’s rights, fight against femicide, women’s political participation, etc. Besides, in 2019 Ms. Lomjaria was named as the Woman Leader of the Year in Government at the Annual Conference on Women's Role in Economic Growth and Development of Reforms.

Allison Tummon Kamphuis, Global Program Leader Gender Equality & Community Impact, The Procter & Gamble Company

Allison Tummon Kamphuis is the Global Program Leader for Gender Equality and Community Impact at Procter & Gamble (P&G). During her 24-year career at P&G, Allison has led multiple P&G Force for Good initiatives in collaboration with public, private and civil society organizations to advance progress toward multiple UN SDGs and create a more inclusive and equal world. She is a member of the IOC Women in Sport Commission, Global Citizen Women & Girls Advisory Board, Save the Children Corporate Council and is a past member of the National Academy of Medicine Forum on Public Private Partnerships in Global Health and Safety. Born in Canada, Allison holds degrees from McMaster (BScN) and Xavier Universities (MBA).

Abel Koka, Project leader of Tutimize Ahadi project at Restless Development, Tanzania

Abel Koka is a project leader of the Tutimize Ahadi project at Restless Development in Tanzania and is a member of the Beijing+25 Youth Task Force. Mr. Koka is passionate about community development. His position at Restless Development has motivated him to ensure the full implementation of Sustainable Development Goal 5. Mr. Koka plays an active role in ensuring women’s and girls’ empowerment in his local community and beyond.