



On the occasion of the 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations
in association with
International Women's Development Agency (IWDA)

invites you to attend

The Individual Deprivation Measure: Transforming how we measure poverty

**Wednesday 18 March 2015, from 1.15pm to 2.30pm
Conference Room 7
UN Headquarters, New York**

Currently the world only measures the poverty of households, not individuals, with poverty measures mainly focused on money; however, there are other factors that also matter to poor women and men.

This side event will introduce The Individual Deprivation Measure (IDM), which is the first poverty measurement tool in the world to enable accurate sex-disaggregation of data, based on the views of poor women and men.

The panel will outline the methodology of the IDM and discuss how Governments and policy makers can use the tool to better understand the differences in how women and men experience poverty, so as to address poverty more effectively.

Remarks by:

Joanna Hayter, Chief Executive Officer, International Women's Development Agency (Australia)

Jeni Klugman, Fellow, Women and Public Policy Program, Kennedy School, Harvard University

Scott Wisor, Lecturer and Deputy Director, Centre for the Study of Global Ethics, University of Birmingham

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Concept note and agenda to follow.

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