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United Nations  
Division for the Advancement of Women  
Expert Group Meeting on “Equal sharing of responsibilities between men and women, including care-giving in the context of HIV/AIDS”  
United Nations Office at Geneva  
6-9 October, 2008

## **PROGRAMME OF WORK**

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**Monday, 6 October 2008**

**Plenary Session**

- 9:00 a.m.** Registration of participants (experts and observers)
- 9:30 a.m.** Opening Statements:  
  
Welcome from United Nations Economic Commission for Europe  
**Ewa Ruminska-Zimny**, Senior Social Affairs Officer, Office of the Executive Secretary, Economic Commission for Europe  
  
Introduction to the EGM  
**Carolyn Hannan**, Director, Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs
- 10:00 a.m.** Introduction of experts, election of officers, review of programme of work and information on working methods
- 10:30 a.m.** Presentations of background papers  
  
**Shahra Razavi**, UNRISD (EGM/ESOR/2008/BP.3)  
**Naomi Cassirer**, ILO (EGM/ESOR/2008/BP.2)  
**Judith Polsky**, UNAIDS (EGM/ESOR/2008/BP.4)
- 11:00 a.m.** Break
- 11:30 a.m.** Presentation of background paper  
  
**Mary Daly, Consultant**  
(EGM/ESOR/2008/BP. 1)  
Discussion  
  
Presentation of online discussion report  
**Elissa Braunstein, Moderator**
- 1:00 p.m.** Lunch
- THEME 1: EQUAL SHARING OF RESPONSIBILITIES: CAUSES, CONSEQUENCES AND POLICY RESPONSES**
- 2:30 p.m.** Presentations by experts and discussion  
  
Toward a new ontology of caring  
**Linden Lewis** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.3)

Rethinking care, gender inequality and policies  
**Susan Himmelweit** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.7)

The equal sharing of care responsibilities between women and men  
**Tine Rostgaard** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.6)

**4:00 p.m.** Break

**4:30 p.m.** Presentation by experts and discussion

Engaging men and boys in caregiving: reflections from research,  
practice and policy advocacy in Latin America  
**Gary Barker** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.1) [*author not present at  
meeting*]

Sharing of housework and childcare in contemporary Japan  
**Masako Ishii-Kuntz** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.4)

**5. 30 p.m.** Closing

## **Tuesday 7 October 2008**

**9:00 a.m.** Summary of Day 1 by Rapporteur  
Introduction to work by Chairperson

### **THEME 2: LINKAGES BETWEEN UNEQUAL SHARING OF RESPONSIBILITIES AND THE LABOUR MARKET**

**9:30 a.m.** Presentation by experts and discussion

Equal sharing of responsibilities between men and women: some  
issues with reference to labour and employment  
**Indira Hirway** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.2)

A “macro” view on equal sharing of responsibilities between  
women and men  
**Valeria Esquivel** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.8)

**10:30 a.m.** Break

### **THEME 3: UNEQUAL SHARING OF CAREGIVING IN THE CONTEXT OF HIV/AIDS**

**11:00 a.m.** Presentation by experts and discussion

Towards equal sharing of AIDS caring  
responsibilities: learning from Africa

**Olagoke Akintola** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.5)

Men and care in the context of HIV and AIDS: structure, political will and greater male involvement

**Dean Peacock** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.9)

Key issues fuelling the unequal sharing of responsibilities between women and men in the context of HIV/AIDS

**Esther Mwauru-Muiru** (EGM/ESOR/2008/EP.10)

<b>12.30 p.m.</b>	Lunch
<b>1:30 p.m.</b>	Establishment of working groups by the Chairperson
<b>2:30 p.m.</b>	Working groups
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Break
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Working groups (cont'd)
<b>6.00 p.m.</b>	Closing

**Wednesday, 8 October 2008**

<b>9:30 a.m.</b>	Summary of Day 2 by Rapporteur Introduction to work by Chairperson
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Presentation by working groups and discussion
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Break
<b>11:15 a.m.</b>	Working groups (cont'd)
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	Lunch
<b>2:30 p.m.</b>	Working groups continued/drafting of group reports
<b>4:15 p.m.</b>	Break
<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	Working groups continued/drafting of group report
<b>6:00 p.m.</b>	Plenary to discuss draft findings and recommendations from working groups

**Thursday, 9 October 2008**

<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Group drafting of report and recommendations
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Distribution of draft report to participants
<b>11:00 a.m.</b>	Break
<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	Consolidation of revised working group inputs into draft report
<b>12:30 p.m.</b>	Lunch
<b>1.30 p.m.</b>	Presentation and discussion of final report
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	Break
<b>4:15 p.m.</b>	Adoption of final report
<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	Closing