



VIC WOMEN'S GROUP
Vienna International Centre



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VIENNA INTERNATIONAL CENTRE
CONSOLIDATED PROGRAMME FOR THE
OBSERVANCE OF INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY, 8 MARCH 2005

This year a number of activities are planned in observance of International Women's Day at the VIC, spanning the period Friday, 4 March through Friday, 1 April 2005. Highlights below:

Friday, 4 March: The UN Information Service invites all staff to two events:

- **1200 – 1400: Gender Equality Beyond 2005: Building a More Secure Future.** A panel discussion featuring six speakers addressing the impact on women of crime, terrorism, drug abuse, as well as women in space technology. **Venue:** Multimedia Room (G 05).
- **1600 – 1700: 30th anniversary of the first International Women's Conference in Mexico City in 1975.** Direct video link to this New York event hosted by the Commission on the Status of Women. **Venue:** Room E 1053, open to all staff (space limited).

Monday, 7 March: The IAEA and the Chinese Embassy, together with the Chinese Mission inaugurate three exhibits:

- **Making a Difference: 30 Years of United Nations Efforts to Promote Gender Equality and Empower Women.** A joint Inter-Agency exhibit with UNDPI New York featuring a new Agency component on Women in Science and Technology. **Venue:** Rotunda until 01 April.
- **Murals** highlighting the 'twelve critical areas of concern' from the 1995 Beijing Platform for Action, as well as an interactive mural painting session. **Venues:** Rotunda and F 0E.
- **1730: Exhibit of Chinese paintings and silk embroideries** by woman artist Yusheng Zhao sponsored by the Ambassador in Austria, and the Chinese Permanent Representative of the People's Republic of China to the International Organizations as well as the VIC Women's Group. **Venue:** Cocktail Lounge, VIC Restaurant.

Monday – Friday, 7 – 11 March: The VIC Women's Group sponsors:

- **International Women's Day Flower Sale** to benefit women in the Sudan. **Venue:** Rotunda.
- **'Women can make a difference ... and they do':** PowerPoint presentation. **Venue:** Rotunda.

Tuesday, 8 March: International Women's Day. The IAEA hosts the Day's main observance:

- **1230: VIC Women's Group Health Lecture** in cooperation with the VIC Medical Service: 'Women and Diabetes II' by Prof. Dr. Bernhard Ludvik (Vienna Medical University). **Venue:** Press Briefing Room (C 03).
- **1300: Book signing with Dame Margaret Anstee**, the UN's first woman Under-Secretary General and former Director-General of UNOV. **Venue:** Rotunda.
- **1500: Observance of International Women's Day.** **Venue:** IAEA Board Room (C04), open to all. Moderator: Anita Nilsson, IAEA Focal Point for Gender Concerns, who will open the meeting by reading the message of the Secretary General.
Keynote Address: Dame Margaret Anstee: Pioneering the Empowerment of Women in the UN.
- **1600: Gender Equality Beyond 2005: Building a More Secure Future.** Video Conference direct from the UN Secretariat, New York. **Venue:** IAEA Board Room (C 04).

Moderator: Mr. Shashi Tharoor, USG, Communications and Public Information

Speakers: Ms. Rachel Mayanja, Special Adviser on Gender Issues

Security: Ms. Nafis Sadik, Member, High-level Panel on Threats, Challenges and Change

Development: Ms. Anna Kajumulo Tibaijuka, Executive Director, UN Habitat

Ambassador Enrique Berruga, Permanent Representative of Mexico

Disaster Reduction: Mr. Sálvano Briceño, Director, Secretariat of the International Strategy for Disaster Reduction

Human Rights: Ms. Jessica Neuwirth, Equality Now (Human Rights NGO).

- **1700: Refreshments** hosted by the women of the Vienna International Center. **Venue:** C 04 Lounge.

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