

# FOURTH INTERNATIONAL FORUM OF NGOs IN OFFICIAL PARTNERSHIP WITH UNESCO

**UNESCO Headquarters, Paris, 29-30 June 2015** 

#### THE ROLE OF WOMEN IN FIGHTING POVERTY

# **PROGRAMME**

### Monday 29 June 2015

09:15 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Reception and registration of participants

10:00 a.m. - 10:20 a.m. Official Opening with the participation of

 Mr Eric Falt, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for External Relations and Public Information

 Ms Martine Levy, Chairperson of the International Conference of NGOs, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee

10:20 a.m. - 10:40 a.m. Presentation of the Forum by

Ms Marie-Claude Machon-Honoré (BPW International) and Ms Marie-Christine Gries de La Barbelais (Soroptimist International).

Coordinators, Working Group of the NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee

for the preparation of the Forum

10:40 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 a.m. - 11:20 a.m. Extract of the movie Women and Men (2014)

Presentation by Ms Frédérique Bedos, Author, Producer and Journalist

11:20 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. Introductory Lecture: "Women, victims of poverty, and agents of

change"

by Ms Gloria Ramirez, President of the International Association

of Educators for Peace (IAEP)

"Priority Gender Equality - UNESCO's Promise" 11:50 a.m. - 12:10 p.m.

> by Ms Gülser Corat, Director of the Division for Gender Equality, Office of the Director-General, UNESCO

12:10 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Discussion

Lunch break 1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

2:30 p.m. - 3:50 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Thematic Working Session: "Girls' education, a key factor in the fight against poverty"

> Chaired by Ms Lisbeth Gouin, World Organization for Early Childhood Education (WOECE)

- "The impact and prevention of early marriage" by Ms Adenike Adeyanju-Osadolor, Coordinator for Africa, **BPW International**
- "Formal and informal lifelong learning and training" by Ms France Marquet, Trustee of the South Asia Foundation, India
- "Partnership for girls' and women's empowerment through education: UNESCO's initiatives" by Ms Maki Hayashikawa, Chief, Section of Learning and Teachers, Gender Focal Point, Education Sector, UNESCO
- "The role of fathers in education" by Ms Aliette de Maredsous, President, International Association of Charities
- "Access to scientific disciplines and promising channels" by Ms Josette Rome-Chastanet, World Federation of Scientific Workers (WFSW)
- Discussion

3:50 p.m. - 4:10 p.m. Break

2<sup>nd</sup> Thematic Working Session: « Women's fight against violence, a key 4:10 p.m. - 5:15 p.m. factor in the fight against poverty"

Chaired by Ms Brigitte Polonovski, International Council of Women (ICW)

- "Fight against rape as a weapon of war" by Ms Bijou Kat, Minister of Gender, Family and Child of the Democratic Republic of Congo
- "Women in war zones and refugee camps, victims and agents of

by Ms Céline Cantat, World Organization for Early Childhood Education (WOECE)

- "Human trafficking and prostitution" by Ms Claire Quidet, Mouvement du Nid
- Discussion

Lecture: "Making human rights effective for people in extreme poverty" 5:15 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. by Mr Wouter Van Ginneken, ATD Fourth World

## Tuesday 30 June 2015

#### "Women's Empowerment, a major asset in the fight against poverty"

09:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Screening of NGOs short films in the meeting room

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. First Round Table: "Women's empowerment and contribution to the economic field"

*Moderator:* **Ms Amany Asfour**, President, African Alliance for Women Empowerment (AFRAWE)

With the participation of:

- Ms Ann Garvie, President of Soroptimist International (SI)
- Mr Jean-Marc Guesné, Bel Access Inclusive Business Manager, Founder of « Sharing Cities »
- Ms Anne-Claire de Liedekerke, International President of Make Mothers Matter (MMM)
- Ms Jacqueline Obone-Mba, President of the Catholic Women Association of Gabon, World Union of Catholic Women's Organisations (WUCWO)

11:30 a.m. - 11:50 a.m. Break

11:50 a.m. - 12:20 p.m. Lecture : "Women's empowerment, a prerequisite for sustainable

development"

by Ms Yveline Nicolas, Coordinator of the Association Adéquations

and member of the Genre en Action Network

Discussion

12:20 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Examples of field actions by NGOs

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Lunch break

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Second Round Table: "Re-vitalizing the fight against poverty"

Moderator: Ms Sepi Roshan, Journalist, Founder of Astute Radio

With the participation of:

- Ms Marie Baudry de Vaux, Institut de Recherche pour le Développement (IRD), France
- **Mr Augustin Brutus Jaykumar**, Intercultural Network for Development and Peace (INDP)
- Ms Samia Gholzane, President of Cyberelles
- Ms Venus Jennings, Programme Specialist, Section of Media Development and Society, Communication and Information Sector, UNESCO

4:00 p.m. - 4:20 p.m. Break

4:20 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. **Examples of field actions by NGOs** 

4:45 p.m. - 5:10 p.m. Conclusions by the coordinators of the Forum

5:10 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Closing Session with the participation of

- Mr Eric Falt, UNESCO Assistant Director-General for External Relations and Public Information
- Ms Martine Levy, Chairperson of the International Conference of NGOs, NGO-UNESCO Liaison Committee