



**FOURTH INTERNATIONAL FORUM ON NGOS  
For Economic, Social and Cultural Rights  
of Women**

Palais des Nations, UN Office at Geneva  
5 - 7 September 2012, Room IX

# OCAPROCE INTERNATIONAL

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**The theme of the Fifth International NGO Forum on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women of 2013 will be dedicated to the American region.**



## PLAN OF SUB-THEMES :

### PANEL 1:

“What are the new axes of progress in the effective implementation of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women during the past 4 decades in Asia: State Engagement?”

### PANEL 2:

“The strategies of effective implementation of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women in national and global level”

### PANEL 3:

“Compliance of national and international comprehensive legislation to the relevant instruments of promotion and protection of women’s rights: Issues and Challenges.”

### PANEL 4:

“Perspectives on achieving the Millennium Development United Nations (MDG 2015): What is the role of Asian women in the 21st century?”

### PANEL 5:

“The question on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women in the world: feedback from NGOs working on the field.”

# PROGRAMME

## Day 1: 5 September 2012

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**8h30 : Welcoming the Participants**

**9h30 – 12h00 : Plenary – Official opening of the plenary session**

Introduction by the organizing Organization:

Princess Micheline Makou Djouma, Chair and Main Representative of OCAPROCE International, to UN Offices

### **Official opening ceremony**

#### **President of the Session:**

Prof. Alfred de ZAYAS, Geneva School of Diplomacy and International Relations, Special Rapporteur of Human Rights and Democratic to the UN Human Rights Council, Geneva;

#### **Speakers:**

- Mrs. Fabienne BUGNON, Director General of the Office of Human Rights of the State and Canton of Geneva;
- H.E. Mrs. Michelle BACHELET, Executive Director, UN/Women, New York (to be confirmed);
- Mr. M. Kassym-Jomart TOKAYEV, Director General, UN Office at Geneva; (to be confirmed);
- Dr. Hamadoun I. TOURÉ, Secretary General, ITU;
- Dr. Supachai PANICHPADI, Secretary General, UNCTAD;
- H.E. Mrs. Laura DUPUY LASSERRE, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Uruguay to the UN and International Organizations at Geneva, President of the Human Rights Council;
- H.E. Mr. Ridha BOUABID, Ambassador, Permanent Observer of Francophone International Organisations to the United Nations at Geneva;
- S.E. M. Mohamed Ziad DOUALE, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Djibouti to the United Nations and International Organizations in Geneva.
- H.E. Mrs. Päivi KAIRAMO HELLA, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Finland to the UN and International Organizations at Geneva;
- H.E. M. Fodé SECK Ambassador Permanent representative of Senegal to the UN and International Organizations at Geneva

**12h00** : Lunch  
**13h15** : Start of the Forum:

**Introductory Speech on the Panels:**

H.E. Mr. Luc Joseph OKIO, Ambassador of Congo Republic to the United Nations Office and International Organizations at Geneva

**PANEL 1:**

"What are the new axes of progress in the effective implementation of Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women during the past 3 decades in Asia: State Engagement?"

**Moderator:**

Dr. Krishna Ahooja PATEL, Chair of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), UN Representative

**Speakers:**

- Dr. Curtis F.J. Doebbler, International Human rights Lawyer, Nord-Sud XXI, Geneva;
- Mr. David Fernandez PUYANA, Spanish Society for international Law and Human Rights, UN Representative, Geneva;
- Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda President NGO Committee on the Status of Women-Geneva;
- Dr. Rola BADRAN, Programs Director of the Palestinian Human Rights Organization, Lebanon;
- Mrs. Angelamaria Loreto, President of Ius Primi Viri, the International Association at Roma (Italy)

**14h45 – 15h00 : Discussion - Debate**

**PANEL 2:**

"Strategies for effective implementation of Economic Social and Cultural Rights of Women at the national and international level"

**Moderator:**

M. Ricardo ESPINOSA, UN Office at Geneva, Cabinet of the Director General, NGO Liaison Unit

**Panelists:**

- Ms. Isha DYFAN, Chief Women's Rights and Gender Section, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Geneva;
- Simone OVART-BRUNO, President of UN/WOMEN national Committee at the Italy, ZONTA International UN Representative;
- Dr. Lichia Yiu, President, Centre for Socio Economic Development (CSEND), Geneva;
- Dr. Joanna MARI, President, World Organisation of Associations for Pre-natal Education (OMAEP), Greece;
- Mr. Daniel GLASNER, Director, ACTION FINANCE SA, Geneva;

**16h15 – 17h30 : Discussion – Debate**

**PANEL 3:**

*"Compliance of national and international comprehensive legislation to the relevant instruments of promotion and protection of women rights: Issues and Challenges"*

**Moderator:**

*Mrs. JOYCE JETT, Medical Care Development International  
International representative UN, WTO and Private Sector, Geneva*

**Panelists:**

- Prof. Alfred de ZAYAS, Geneva School of Diplomacy and International Relations, Special Rapporteur of Human Rights and Democratic to the UN Human Rights Council, Geneva;
- Mr. Ababacar DIOP, Jurist, Specialist in Economic, Social and Cultural law, Senegal ;
- Ms. Rowaida MROUE, Executive Director, International Training and Conflict Resolution Center, Lebanon;
- Ms. Daniela Valencia, NGOs Geneva International Centre for Justice, (Iraq);
- Mrs. Michèle Vianès, President of REGARDS des Femmes NGO, Paris - France

**17h15 – 17h30 : Discussion – Debate**

**17h30 – 18h00 : Closing session, Day 1**

## Day 2: 7 September 2012

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**8h30 : Reception of the Participants**

**9h30 – 10h00 : Coffee break**

**10h00 – 13h00 : Started of panel work**

**PANEL 4:**

*“Prospects for achieving the UN Millennium Development Goals (MDGs 2015): What is the role of Asian women in the 21<sup>st</sup> century?”*

**Moderator:**

- Mrs. Simone OVART-BRUNO, Zonta International, UN representative Geneva, President of the National Committee of UN/Women, Italy

**Panelists:**

- Mr. Sardar Amjad Yousaf Khan Director of Kashmir Institute of International relations - Pakistan ;
- Mrs. Françoise TRAVERSO, President, International Association of Human Rights, Paris – France;
- Dr. Veronique Ines Thouvenot, Head of Women and health International Working Group Millennia2015, Namur, Belgium;
- Mrs. Saadani MAOULANINE, Member of CORCAS, Representative of the OCAPROCE International to the Sub-regional Nord Africa in Morocco;

**PANEL 5:**

*“The question on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights of Women in the World: Feedback from NGO's working on the field.”*

**Moderator:**

- Dr. Franck MINYA, Sectary of CASA-NET Association, Geneva.

**Panelists:**

- Mr. OUATTARA Aboubakare Marvin, President, of Union of Victims of Toxic Waste in Abidjan and Suburbs (UVDIAB), Abidjan (Ivory Coast);
- Mr. Ronald BARNES, Ambassador for Indigenous people to UN, Chair of the American coalition, Alaska, United States;
- Mrs. Dora Ngo NDJENG–SENDE, Présidente du Collectif des femmes pour l'environnement et de l'enfance, Cameroon.
- Dr. Nazar ABDELGADIR, Executive Director, Geneva Institute for Human Rights, Geneva.

**12h30 : Discussion – Debate**

**13h00 – 14h00 : Lunch**

**14h00 – 17h15 : Plenary Session**

**Introduction Speech by:**

H.E. Mr. Fodé SECK, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Republic of the Senegal to the United Nations and International Organizations at Geneva

**President of the Session:**

M. GHIZLAT Moulay Ahmed, membre du Conseil Royal Consultatif pour Les Affaires Sahariennes (CORCAS), Maroc

**Speakers:**

- Dr. Krishna Ahooja PATEL, Chair of Women's International League For peace and Freedom (WILPF), UN Representative;
- Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, President NGO Geneva Committee on the Status of Women;
- Mrs. Simone OVART-BRUNO, Zonta International, United Nations Representative, Geneva, President, National Committee for UN/Women, Italy ;
- Mrs. Joanna MARI, President, World Organisation of Associations for Pre-natal Education (OMAEP), Greece;

**13h00 – 14h30 : Lunch**

**14h30 – 16h30 :** Panel Summaries: Recommendations and Conclusions of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> days by the *Rapporteurs*:

- Mr. Laurent DIETERICH, Executive Secretary of the FORUM,
- Rodrigue KWANGA, Vice-Secretary of CASA-NET Organization
- Mr. François SCHMITT, Representative, World Organisation for Prenatal Education (OMAEP), France.

**16h30 – 18h00 : Closing ceremonies**

**18h00 : End of work**

**18h.15 : Reception.**

## REGISTRATION AND CONTACTS

Venue:

**Palais des Nations Unies**

Salle XI

8 – 12 avenue de la Paix

**1202 Genève**

### Registration

*Access is free, but registration is required:*  
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*Please remember to return the enclosed form and bring your passport, as it will be requested at the entrance.*

Due to administrative entry procedures, please allow half an hour to reach the conference room.

Please confirm your attendance **for accreditation formalities at the United Nations.**

### Map

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