HIGH-LEVEL ROUNDTABLE
Gender Equality and COVID-19 Crisis Response and Recovery: The G7’s Role

12 May 2020 | 8:30 am - 10:00 am EDT | ONLINE

PROPOSED AGENDA

8:15 am  Open the room for guest to enter virtual roundtable

8:30 am  Opening Remarks

Introduction and Ground Rules - Ms. Anna Falth, UN Women (2 min)
Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, UN Women Executive Director (2 min)
Ms. Hilde Hardeman, Head of European Commission Service for Foreign Policy Instruments (2 min)
Ms. Deborah Greenfield, Deputy Director-General for Policy, International Labour Organization (2 min)

8:45 am  Guest Speaker

Ms. Marlene Schiappa, Minister of State for Gender Equality and the Fight against Discrimination, France

8:50 am  Plenary Roundtable

Ms. Ann Cairns, Executive Vice Chairman, MasterCard (2 min)
Ms. Rebecca Marmot, Chief Sustainability Officer, Unilever (2 min)
Ms. Alexandra Palt, Chief Corporate Responsibility Officer, Executive Vice-President of the L’Oréal Foundation, L’Oréal (2 min)
Ms. Heather Barnabe, CEO G(irls)20 (2 min)
Mr. Michael Kaufman, Co-Founder, White Ribbon Campaign (2 min)

9:00 am - Breakout Sessions: Addressing the Needs of Women in Post-COVID Recovery
Women and Decent Work

Scene Setter: Ms. Vicky Smallman, Director Women’s Right and Human Rights -Canadian Labour Congress
Moderator: Ms. Stephenie Foster, UN Women

Rapporteur: Ms. Sara Tanan, G(irls)20 Summit

- In the wake of COVID-19, how can the G7 effectively support women’s access to decent work and economic opportunities?
- What are the immediate needs and actions to ensure women’s economic security and continued and increased participation in the labour force?
- What actions must governments, the private sector and civil society take in terms of legal reforms, policy changes and norm change to build the world we want, one that truly fulfills global goals and promises to deliver wellbeing and dignity for all?

Women in Supply Chains

Scene Setter: Ms. Gabriela Ramos, OECD Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20
Moderator: Ms. Stephanie Dei, UN Women

Rapporteur: Ms. Nyasha Duri, G(irls)20 Summit

- In the wake of COVID-19, how can the G7 effectively support women’s entrepreneurship and women's SMEs?
- What are the immediate needs that must addressed to ensure women’s entrepreneurship and continued growth of women’s enterprises?
- What actions must governments, the private sector and civil society take in terms of legal reforms, policy changes and norm change to build the world we want, one that truly fulfills global goals and promises to deliver wellbeing and dignity for all?

9:30 am - Key Recommendations from Breakout Group Discussions

9:35 am - Next Steps and the Way Forward

- Ms. Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Women’s Forum for the Economy and Society
- Ms. Katja Iversen, President/CEO, Women Deliver
- Ambassador Mara Marinaki, EEAS Principal Advisor on Gender and on UNSCR 1325
- Mr. Vic Van Vuuren, Director, ILO Enterprises Department, ILO
- Mr. Daniel Seymour, Director of Strategic Partnerships, UN Women

10:00 am - Event Closes
MATERIALS FOR PRE-READING

• Agenda

• Call to Action

• Highlights of previous G7 commitments on women’s economic empowerment

• Bio Book

COVID-19 READING MATERIALS

For further information and analysis of the gender impacts of COVID-19, please refer to:

• The impact of COVID-19 on Women

• COVID-19 and Gender Equality: A Call to Action for the Private Sector

• COVID-19 and Ending Violence Against Women and Girls

• Family-Friendly Policies and Other Good Workplace Practices in the Context of COVID-19: Key Steps Employers Can Take

• Step it up G7: An extraordinary time requires extraordinary solidarity

• Closing Gender Pay Gaps to Achieve Gender Equality at Work

• The COVID-19 response: Getting gender equality right for a better future for women at work