



# PROGRAMME



**world women's  
health and development  
forum**

**Post-2015: Desired Outcomes**

**11 - 12 February 2015**

**United Nations Headquarters**

**Economic and Social Council Chamber**



**Wednesday February 11th, 2015**

**Opening Session: 10.00 – 11.30**

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| 10.00 – 10.05        | Mr. Amir Dossal, Founder and Chairman of the Global Partnerships Forum  |
| 10.05 – 10.10        | Opening Remarks: Princess Dr. Nisreen El-Hashemite, Executive Director, Royal Academy of Science International Trust, Founder of World Women's Health and Development Forum |
| 10.10 – 10.20        | Secretary-General of the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Ban Ki-moon   |
| 10.20 – 10.30        | Executive Director, UN Women, Under-Secretary-General H.E. Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka   |
| 10.30 – 10.40        | Executive Director, UNFPA, H.E. Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin  |
| 10.40 – 10.50        | H.E. Ms. Veronika Skvortsova, Minister of Health, Russian Federation  |
| 10.50 – 11.00        | Hon. Dr. Helena Dalli, Minister for Social Dialogue, Consumer Affairs and Civil Liberties, Malta  |
| 11.00 – 11.10        | H.E. Mrs. Marta Arsovska Tomovska, Deputy Minister of Information Society and Administration, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia                                     |
| 11.10 – 11.20        | Hon. Mr. Samy Gemayel, MP, Republic of Lebanon  |
| 11.20 – 11.25        | Youth Vision: Sigrid Semerdjian   |
| <b>11.25 – 11.35</b> | <b>Health Break</b>   |

**1<sup>st</sup> Session: 11:35 – 13.00**

**Women's Health and Sustainable Development**

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| 11.35 – 11.45 | Introduction: Mr. Nikil Seth, Director, Division of Sustainable Development, UN DESA   |
| 11.45 – 11.50 | Moderator Remarks: H.E. Ms. Alya Ahmed S. Al-Thani, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the State of Qatar to the United Nations |



- 11.50 – 12.00 H.E. Dr. Nila Moeloek, Minister of Health, Indonesia, represented by Dr. Anung Sugihantono, Director General of Nutrition and Maternal and Child Health
- 12.00 – 12.10 Dr. Joe Thomas, Executive Director, Partners in Population and Development Organization
- 12.10 – 12.20 H.E. Mr. Ufuk Gokcen, Permanent Observer of the Organization of Islamic Cooperation to the United Nations
- 12.20 – 12.30 Dr. Rama Lakshminarayanan, Senior Health Specialist, The World Bank
- 12.30 – 12.40 Prof. Nimmi Ramanujam, Founder of Women’s Health Technologies Center, Duke Global Health Institute
- 12.40 – 12.50 Ms. Nana Taona Kuo, Senior Manager, Every Woman Every Child Initiative, United Nations
- 12.50 – 13.00 Questions and Remarks
- 13.00 – 15.00 Lunch Break**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Session: 15.00 – 16:30

### Global Policy-Making for Women’s Healthcare and Reform

- 15.00 – 15.05 Moderator Remarks: Hon. Judge Elizabeth Stong, US Bankruptcy Court
- 15.05 – 15.15 Prof. Ashish Jha, Director, Harvard Global Health Institute, Harvard School of Public Health
- 15.15 – 15.25 Ms. Judith Arenas, Deputy Permanent Observer, Intl. Development Law Organization
- 15.25 – 15.35 Mr. Martín Sabignoso, Director of the "Programa Sumar", Ministry of Health, Argentina
- 15.35 – 15.45 Prof. Gavin Yamey, Global Health Group, University of California at San Francisco



- 15.45 – 15.55 Mrs. Nelisiwe Vilakazi Deputy Director General for Strategy and Organisational Transformation, Department of Social Development, South Africa
- 15.55 – 16.05 Ms. Kate Roberts, Senior Vice President, Corporate Partnerships & Philanthropy, PSI, USA
- 16.05 – 16.15 Ms. Katja Iversen, CEO, Women Deliver
- 16.15 – 16.30 Questions and Remarks
- 16.30 – 16.40 Health Break**

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Session: 16:40 – 18.00

#### Lifestyle, Media and Women's Health

- 16.40 – 16.45 Moderator Remarks: Mr. Maher Nasser, Director of DPI Outreach Division
- 16.45 – 16.55 Dr. Indrajit Banerjee, Director, Knowledge Societies Division, Communication and Information Sector - UNESCO
- 16.55 – 17.05 Prof. Leigh Rich, Director of Public Health and Media Institute, Armstrong University USA
- 17.05 – 17.15 Dr. Pamela Y. Collins, Director, Office for Research on Disparities and Global Mental Health, National Institute of Mental Health, USA
- 17.15 – 17.25 Dr. Susan Finn, Past President, Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
- 17.25 – 17.35 Dr. Richard Wright, UNRWA Representative
- 17.35 – 17.40 Youth Vision: Alexander Jean and Jiyoung Kim, International Students, Felician College, The Franciscan College of New Jersey
- 17.40 – 18.00 Questions and Remarks



## Thursday February 12th, 2015

### 4<sup>th</sup> Session: 10.00 – 11:30

#### Policy Imperatives for Women's Health Research and Development

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| 10.00 – 10.10        | Moderator Remarks: Dr. Heidi Stensmyren, President, Swedish Medical Association   |
| 10.10 – 10.20        | H.E. Ms. Veronika Skvortsova, Minister of Health, Russian Federation  |
| 10.20 – 10.30        | Ms. Daniela Bas, Director, Division for Social Policy and Development, United Nations   |
| 10.30 – 10.40        | Dr. Janine Austin Clayton, Director, Office of Research on Women's Health, US Dept. of Health and Human Services                      |
| 10.40 – 10.50        | Professor Elizabeth Henske, Director, Center for LAM Research and Clinical Care, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School |
| 10.50 – 11.00        | Professor Hina W. Chaudhry, M.D., Director, Cardiovascular Regenerative Medicine, Icahn School of Medicine, Mt. Sinai Hospital, NYC   |
| 11.00 – 11.10        | Ms. Saleemah Abdul-Ghafur, Director, African Leaders Malaria Alliance   |
| 11.10 – 11.15        | Youth Vision: William Steimel and Somi Kim, International Students, Felician College, The Franciscan College of New Jersey            |
| 11.15 – 11.30        | Questions and Remarks   |
| <b>11.30 – 11.40</b> | <b>Health Break</b>   |

### 5<sup>th</sup> Session: 11:40 – 13.00

#### Empowering Women in Science and Economy

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| 11.40 – 11.45 | Moderator Remarks: H.E. Mrs. María Cristina Perceval, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Argentina to the United Nations |
| 11.45 – 11.55 | Dr. Ann Lee-Karlon, President, Association for Women in Science   |



- 11.55 – 12.05 Ms. Jane Stewart, Director, ILO UN Liaison Office
- 12.05 – 12.15 Ms. Moufida Goucha, Director, UNESCO Liaison Office, United Nations
- 12.15 – 12.25 Ms. Indrani Goradia, Founding Member of the Women Investment Network
- 12.25 – 12.35 Prof. Nilufer Narli, Chairperson of Sociology Department and the Director of Center for Society, Health Behaviour and Preventive Studies, Bahcesehir University, Istanbul, Turkey
- 12.35 – 12.45 Ms. Susan Solovic, Institute of Economic Empowerment of Women
- 12.45 – 13.00 Questions and Remarks
- 13.00 – 15.00 Lunch Break**

**6<sup>th</sup> Session: 15.00 – 16:30**

**Challenges & Opportunities in the Post-2015 Development Landscape**

- 15.00 – 15.10 Moderator Remarks: H.E. Mrs. Edita Hrdá, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the United Nations
- 15.10 – 15.20 H.E. Ms. Benedicte Frankinet, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the United Nations
- 15.20 – 15.30 Dr. Jacob Kumaresan, Executive Director, WHO Office at the United Nations
- 15.30 – 15.40 Lt-Colonel Ziad Kaed Bey, Head of Human Rights Department, Internal Security Forces, Ministry of Interior, Republic of Lebanon
- 15.40 – 16.30 Professor Leigh Rich lead Discussant, Forum Declaration
- 16.30 – 16.40 Health Break**



16.40 – 18.00

### Adoption of Forum Declaration and Closing Session

- 16.40 – 16.45 Moderator Remarks: Mr. Amir Dossal, Founder and Chairman of the Global
- 16.45 – 16.55 Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director, UN Women H.E. MS. Lakshmi Puri
- 16.55 – 17.05 Mr. Enver Yucel, President and Chairman of Board of Trustees, Bahcesehir University, Turkey
- 17.05 – 17.10 Statement from H.E. Dr. Flavia Bustreo, Assistant Director-General - Family,
- 17.10 – 17.20 Forum Declaration: Mr. Richard Jordan, Royal Academy of Science International Trust
- 17.25 – 17.30 Hon. Dr. Helena Dalli, Minister of Social Dialogue, Consumer Affairs and Civil Liberty
- 17.30 – 17.35 H.E. Mrs. Marta Arsovska Tomovska, Deputy Minister of Information Society and Administration, the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
- 17.40 – 17.45 Mr. Nikil Seth, Director, Division for Sustainable Development, UN DESA
- 17.45 – 17.50 Princess Dr. Nisreen El-Hashemite, Executive Director, Royal Academy of Science International Trust



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