Gender Inequality and Climate Change: How to tackle a Double Injustice

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Tuesday, March 10th, 11:30am to 12:45pm
UN Headquarters, Conference Room 2 (Conference Building)

High-level panelists

Mme. Pascale Boistard, French Secretary of State for Women's Rights
Mrs. Mary Robinson, UN Special Envoy on Climate Change; President of the Mary Robinson Foundation - Climate Justice
Ms. Lakshmi Puri, UN Women Deputy Executive Director
Representative of the Government of Peru (TBC)
Ms. Lorena Aguilar, Global Senior Gender Advisor, International Union for Conservation of Nature

Moderator & closing remarks, Ms. Martha Chouchena-Rojas, CARE International Head of Global Advocacy

Background
On the occasion of CSW59, the purpose of this event is to identify ways to tackle the double injustice of gender inequality and climate change at a critical moment in time, when governments are to finalize a new agreement on climate change at the COP21 of the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) in Paris, but also agree on a new sustainable development framework and renew efforts towards gender equality and women’s empowerment.

Leading experts in gender and climate change from Governments and civil society will provide an update on the latest UNFCCC outcomes with regard to gender equality and human rights, and share their own national priorities and recommendations. They will also identify opportunities and challenges for a better mainstreaming of gender and climate-related issues in development programming and policies as well as regional and international processes and negotiations. The audience will be encouraged to participate in a discussion to further mobilize the international women’s movement to support climate change as a human rights and gender equality issue—and vice versa.

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