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'Gender-Responsiveness in Partnerships for the SDGs: consultations, tools, strategies and approaches to overcome barriers towards gender equality'

Friday, 14 July from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm EST
UN Headquarters NY

#Partnerships4GenderEquality

The SDGs Learning, Training and Practice sessions aim to support the 2023 HLPF theme: "Accelerating the recovery from the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) and the full implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development at all levels." They will aim to provide a strategic vision and practical knowledge to participants on how to find effective sustainable solutions for their community, be it a country, city, village or neighborhood.

In this session, the Women's Major Group (WMG), Mediators Beyond Borders International (MBBI), Center for Migration, Gender and Justice (CMGJ) and Center for Feminist Foreign Policy (CFFP) will aim together to talk about various methodologies to strengthen dialogue, collaboration and partnerships between different stakeholders in the Agenda 2030 process, to reach the SDGs by 2030.

Format

The session will follow a panel format, looking into the three proposed themes by the co-organizers. The themes will be connected by interactive components, that will be moderated and connected in an overarching picture.

Three themes within the session are:

The Gender-Migration Index: Shrinking Spaces for Good

The Gender-Migration Index (GMI) is a policy guidance tool that centers lived experiences of women, girl, LGBTQIA+, and gender diverse migrants by strengthening civil society engagement in

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international review processes. The index is based on an indicator system that ensures gender-responsiveness and migrant-inclusion in benchmarking policy, particularly in regards to monitoring and evaluation. Through a multi-stakeholder approach, the GMI shrinks spaces between migrant communities and governing bodies and promotes dialogue and information-sharing by facilitating feedback and consultation mechanisms. As part of this session, findings and outlooks for the GMI will be shared to showcase the importance of intersectional tools and approaches in partnerships for the SDGs.

Effective Stakeholder Engagement by Conflict Resolution Strategies for the Advancement of the 2030 Agenda and Gender Equity

Mediators Beyond Borders International will engage participants on the importance of creating partnerships for peace at local and global levels by identifying relevant stakeholders, setting up engagement sessions, and using appropriate tools to overcome conflicts through gathering input from marginalized communities. Participants will learn how to identify and partner with stakeholders whose participation is necessary for member states seeking to effectively conduct their VNRs and achieve their SDGs, including: -Why stakeholder engagement and inclusion of marginalized populations increases the probability of achieving the SDGs -What conflict resolution processes can be used to engage stakeholders and to prevent, resolve, and manage conflict in a way that accelerates the implementation of the SDGs -Tools to lead stakeholder engagement sessions, including conflict and interest mapping, and techniques to overcome barriers to inclusion and participation. Participants will learn: Effective stakeholder engagement strategies such as identifying, convening and dialoguing with a relevant spectrum of cross-cultural parties, including traditionally marginalized communities and populations. Conflict mapping techniques that identify sources of conflict and ways to prevent, resolve and manage conflict.

Building and Utilizing Effective NGO Consultations towards Gender Equality

NGO consultations undertaken by member states, or by other civil society organizations to influence member state policy making and implementation, are important opportunities for civil society organizations to voice their priorities and needs from the field to the attention of the decision makers. NGO Consultations are especially important in the context of gender equality, an issue that cross-cuts all the policies and implementation schemes at the local, national, regional or global levels. This event will aim to look into good practices in NGO Consultations, with specific examples.

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The session will suggest concrete principles and methodologies for NGO Consultations, encourage member states to implement them when undertaking consultations, and will give strategies to feminist and other NGOs to utilize the sessions. A brief will be prepared from these principles, methodologies and strategies to be disseminated after the session.

Moderator: Maria Fernanda Espinosa

Speakers:

Estera Borcsa

Lara - Zuzan Golesorkhi

Damjan Denkovski

Bette Levy

Questions from the online audience will be gathered via Tweets with the hashtag

#Partnerships4GenderPeaceMigration

Timeline	Intervention	
3.00 - 3.03pm	Welcome, logistics & introducing Amb. Espinosa	Sehnaz Kiyamaz Bahceci
3.03 - 3.20pm	Opening & key note	Maria Fernanda Espinosa
3.20 - 3.30pm	Effective NGO Consultations towards Gender Equality (1) - example from Germany's Feminist Development Policy consultations	Damjan Denkovski: <i>how can you engage in any type of policy, and how to bring ppl and experts from target countries especially around external facing policies</i>
3.30 - 3.40pm	Effective NGO Consultations towards Gender Equality (2) - Good practices & strategies	Bette Levy <i>WMG advocacy tools , engaging with grassroots, bringing it back to people, ensuring they can take advantage of consultations with policy makers. Importance of getting countries on board with us, focusing on grassroots</i>

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		<i>action</i>
3.40 - 4.00pm	Mediators Beyond Borders International	Dr. Estera Borcsa <i>Effective stakeholder engagement/partnerships from an inclusion point of view. Providing a tool for stakeholder analysis and major components. Story telling around problem and challenge of stakeholder inclusion that have been done in Liberia, and engaging the audience from an engagement standpoint.</i>
4.00 - 4.20pm	Gender-Migration Index (GMI)	Dr. Lara - Zuzan Golesorkhi: <i>GMI as a policy guidance tool that centers migrants' lived experience and that strengthens civil society engagement in international review processes. Case studies: Global Compact on Migration / CEDAW</i>
4.20 - 4.25pm	Connections outlined by the moderator	Maria Fernanda Espinosa
4.25 - 4.45pm	Q&A	Maria Fernanda Espinosa & speakers
4.45 - 4.55pm	Final remarks incl. check-out exercise	Bette Levy // Damjan Denkovski Lara - Zuzan Golesorkhi Estera Borcsa
4.55 - 5:00pm	Closing	Maria Fernanda Espinosa