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OVERVIEW

Iceland is the global champion of equality between women and men. The WPL Annual Global Summit 2017 – titled "We Can Do It!" – applauds the political action of Iceland, which demonstrates that gender equality does not have to remain a theory, but can become reality. In this spirit, the WPL Annual Global Summit provides the forum for exchange on best practices around the globe: of leadership, legislation and political agenda-setting that creates results. The WPL Annual Global Summit presents a unique opportunity for participants to discuss global challenges, exchange best practice, and to take part in political dialogue that reflects the influence and worldwide perspectives of today's female decision-makers. This year's WPL Annual Global Summit is co-hosted by the Government and the Parliament of Iceland. Other partners are the Council of Women World Leaders (CWWL), the City of Reykjavík, Harvard University, the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) and the United Nations. WPL thanks its corporate supporters, which are listed later in this document.

The venue of the WPL Annual Global Summit 2017 is the Harpa Concert and Conference Centre in Reykjavík.

WPL is pleased to welcome the Council of Women World Leaders (CWWL). The CWWL is composed of 66 current and former women Presidents and Prime Ministers. It is the only organisation in the world dedicated to women heads of state and government. The CWWL will convene its members on the occasion of the WPL Annual Global Summit.





TUESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER

17:00-18:00 Welcome Reception

Venue: Bessastadir Hosted by Guðni Th. Jóhannesson, President of Iceland

Welcoming Remarks:

Guðni Th. Jóhannesson, President of Iceland

18:30-19:45 "How Women Leaders Change the World" Venue: Veröld – Hús Vigdísar

Hosted by Vigdís Finnbogadóttir, President of Iceland (1980-1996)

Welcoming Remarks:

Vigdís Finnbogadóttir, President of Iceland (1980-1996)

Fireside chat: "When one woman is a leader, it changes her. When more women are leaders, it changes politics and policies" (President Michelle Bachelet). Three women leaders, from three different parts of the world share their views and experiences.

- Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta
- Helen Clark, Prime Minister of New Zealand (1999-2008), Administrator of the UNDP (2009-2017)
- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of WPL



WEDNESDAY, 29 NOVEMBER

Master of Ceremonies: Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Chair of the Executive Board, WPL

- 08:00-08:45 Arrival and registration of participants Venue: Harpa Conference Centre
- 09:00-09:30 **Opening Session** Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

Opening Remarks by:

- Steingrímur J Sigfusson, Speaker of Althingi
- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of WPL
- Guðlaugur Þór Þorðarson, Minister of Foreign Affairs, Iceland

09:30-10:00 Keynotes: We Can Do It - A New Narrative for Leadership

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

WE CAN DO IT: Women World Leaders

 Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of Lithuania; Chair of the Council of Women World Leaders

WE CAN DO IT: Exporting the Icelandic Way

- Bjarni Benediktsson, Prime Minister of Iceland
- 10:00-10:15 WPL Award to Vigdís Finnbogadóttir The world's first elected woman Head of State, President of Iceland (1980-1996), and Founding Chair of the Council of Women World Leaders (CWWL)
 10:15-10:20 WPL Lifetime Achievement Award recipient – Women Leaders Nkosazana Dlamini-Zuma, Chairperson of the African Union (2012-2017) (VM)
 10:20-10:35 WPL Awards to Women Presidents and Prime Ministers Maria Liberia Peters, Prime Minister of Netherlands Antilles (1984-1986, 1988-1994) Kim Campbell, Prime Minister of Canada (1993) Jennifer Smith, Premier of Bermuda (1998-2003) Helen Clark, Prime Minister of New Zealand (1999-2008)

Jóhanna Sigurðardóttir, Prime Minister of Iceland (2009-2013)

Mari Kiviniemi, Prime Minister of Finland (2010-2011)

Iveta Radičová, Prime Minister of Slovakia (2010-2012)

Paula Cox, Premier of Bermuda (2010-2012)

Atifete Jahjaga, President of Kosovo (2011-2015)



Aminata Touré, Prime Minister of Senegal (2013-2014) Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of Lithuania, Chair of CWWL Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta Kolinda Grabar-Kitarović, President of Croatia Kersti Kaljulaid, President of Estonia

Presenter: Cherno Jobatey, editorial director of the Huffington Post Germany, TV host

- 10:35-10:50 Family Photo
- 10:50-11:20 Coffee Break
- 11:20-12:20 Plenary Session A Changing Global Order? Rethinking Policies of Peace, Security, and Defence

Séance Plénière - Un ordre mondial en évolution? Repenser les politiques de Paix, de Sécurité et de Défense

Sesión Plenaria - Un cambio en el Orden Global? Repensando las Políticas de Paz, Seguridad y Defensa

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg 2nd floor

Protracted conflicts, cyber threats, political ruptures and challenges make the concept of durable peace seem elusive. It is a moment to question the traditional view of defence and security, and instead shift focus on peace. For sustainable peace and security, for efficient defence, women need to be in the centre, and take leading roles. However, between 1992 and 2011 less than 4% of signatories to peace agreements were women. There are currently only 16 female Ministers of Defence globally. The panel will address from the perspective of female experts questions of security in the context of mutating conflicts and the role of allies from the Global North and South can help bring durable peace or not. Moreover, the panel will explore ways to increase women's leadership in conflict (preventing, mitigating, and resolving) and combat.

Speakers:

- Sophie Katsarava, Chairperson, Foreign Relations Committee, Parliament of Georgia
- Maria Lucero Saldaña Perez, Member of Parliament and WIP Ambassador, México; WPL Executive Board Member
- Reem Al Khaled, Assistant Foreign Minister for The Americas, Kuwait
- Irina Gekht, Member of Parliament and WIP Ambassador, Russia
- Mary-Ann Etiebet, Executive Director, MSD for Mothers

Chaired by: Laura Liswood, Secretary General, Council of Women World Leaders (CWWL)

12:20-12:30 Keynote: We Can Do It – Women Peacemakers Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor



Kolinda Grabar-Kitarović, President of Croatia

12:30-14:00 Lunch

WPL Lunch, Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Hörpuhornið WIP Ambassador Lunch and WPL Speakers of Parliament Lunch (By invitation only), Venue: Althingi

- 14:00-14:10 Keynote: We Can Do It A New Narrative for Leadership Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor WE CAN DO IT: Women Win – the UN Global Goals
 - Amina Mohammed, UN Deputy Secretary General, (VTC)

14:10-14:20 In Focus: Vision 2020

14:25-15:25 Plenary Session - The Way Forward: Living Digital? Séance Plénière - Aller de l'avant: vivre le numérique? Sesión Plenaria - Mirando hacia adelante: viviendo digitalmente? Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

New technologies fuse the physical and digital worlds. They have a social impact and can represent opportunities for economic growth, more inclusive social policies and better-connected societies. Politics and power dynamics go hand in hand with digital means of communication that reach millions of people in seconds. However, this revolution comes with challenges such as rapid labour market transformation and inequality in access to and management of technologies. Currently only 46% of the global population uses the internet, which means we are still far from unleashing the full potential of the digital revolution. Increasing the number of women internet users, enabling access to technology and fostering female entrepreneurship can help close the gender gap.

Speakers:

- Linda Lanzillotta, Vice-President of the Senate and WIP Ambassador, Italy; WPL Executive Board Member
- Marie Jeanne d'Arc Masy Goulamaly, Member of Parliament and WIP Ambassador, Madagascar
- Lívia Járóka, Vice President of the European Parliament
- Ayelet Nahmias-Verbin, Member of the Knesset, Israel
- Sayeh Ghanbari, Partner, EY United Kingdom

Moderated by: Manuela Kasper-Claridge, Deutsche Welle (DW)

15:25-15:35 Keynote: We Can Do It - e-stonia: A start-up country Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

• Kersti Kaljulaid, President of Estonia



15:35-16:00 Coffee Break

Policy Focus Sessions

16:00-18:00 Sustainability First - Living Today as if it were Tomorrow

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Visa, 1st floor

Climate Change is affecting the entire world. "Long-term indicators of climate change such as increasing carbon dioxide concentrations, sea level rise and ocean acidification continue unabated. Arctic sea ice coverage remains below average and previously stable Antarctic sea ice extent was at or near a record low" (WMO, 2017). The 23rd session of the Conference of the Parties (COP23) has been the occasion to strengthen the commitment through for example the InsuResilience Global Partnership for Climate and Disaster Risk Finance and Insurance Solutions which brings together G20 countries in partnership with 49 of the most vulnerable countries. This session will lay out the facts, draw from the experience of a country representatives and deepen the discussion of innovative solutions to reduce the carbon footprint from the private sector.

Speakers:

- Masoumeh Ebtekar, Vice-President for Women and Family Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran
- Laura López, Director, UNFCCC
- Katrín Olga Jóhannesdóttir, Member of the Board, Icelandair Group
- Elín Hjálmsdóttir, Vice President, Eimskip
- Elena Kountoura, Minister of Tourism, Greece

Chaired by: Ragnheiður Elin Árnadóttir, Senior Fellow at the Atlantic Council and Former Minister of Industry and Commerce

16:00-18:00 Labor Market Inclusion - Powered by Digital

L'inclusion sur le marché du travail - Propulsé par le numérique

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Rima A, 1st floor

The latest World Economic Forum Global Gender Gap Report has found the workplace gender gap will now not be closed for 217 years. At a time when digital and technological skills are more important than ever before, the world is facing a significant gender digital divide. 250 million fewer women than men use the internet; 200 million fewer women own a mobile phone. This divide is keeping too many women out of the workforce and limiting their economic potential. However, the digital revolution opens new windows of opportunity to advance gender equality. The digital revolution, characterized by artificial intelligence, big data, cloud computing and mobile robotics, could improve female participation in the work place and enhance the economic and social autonomy of women. Building upon best practices and case studies, this session will examine how investing in policies and programs to support technological training and infrastructure can improve labour inclusion in new, radical and exciting ways.



Speakers:

- Kersti Kaljulaid, President of Estonia
- Maria Laura Leguizamon, Senator, Argentina
- Fatema Al-Kooheji, Member of Parliament, Bahrain
- Stefana Miladinovic, Member of Parliament, Serbia
- Hilary Spencer, Director, UK Government Equalities Office
- Representative, Vodafone Iceland

Moderated by: Anne Grette and Linas Dicpetris, EY

16:00-18:00 All You Need is STEM

Tout ce dont vous avez besoin c'est les STEM Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg A, 2nd floor

STEM occupations are growing nearly twice as fast as non-STEM occupations. In addition, STEM workers earn 26% more than their non-STEM counterparts. Promoting the active role of women in STEM fields contributes to achieving economic growth as well as diminishing gender disparity in economic status. This session will discuss solutions for attracting, supporting and maintaining more women in STEM, drawing on best practice examples from around the world. How can policy-makers and companies work together to make a difference?

Speakers:

- Maria Liberia Peters, Prime Minister of the Netherlands Antilles (1984-1986, 1988-1994)
- An Capoen, Member of Parliament and WIP Ambassador, Belgium
- Mazin Jumaah, President of Royal University for Women
- Radiye Sezer Katircioğlu, Head of the Turkish Equal Opportunity Committee

Moderated by: Ross Melzer, Partnerships Director, WPL

16:00-18:00 Rape: A Weapon of War

In Cooperation with UN Women

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Rima B, 1st floor

Violence against women, including rape has been part of conflicts ranging from Kosovo, to Sri Lanka and Rwanda, to Colombia and Peru, to just name a few. Girls and women have systematically been singled out for rape, imprisonment, forced prostitution and trafficking. Rape in conflict is used by those in command as a strategic weapon to humiliate, demoralize and dehumanize the "enemy"; to weaken the integrity of the opposing ethnic group; to destabilise communities and sow terror. Important steps have been taken by the international community to address violence against women (SC resolution 1325) and recognize the act of rape and violence against women during conflicts as a crime against humanity. However, many regions around the world continue to treat rape and sexual violence as a subject of taboo. This workshop will address practices for preventing violence against women in war, empowering women to not be victims, to remove stereotypes, and for ensuring perpetrators are brought to justice.



Speakers:

- Purna Sen, Director of Policy, UN Women
- Mara Marinaki, EEAS Principal Adviser on Gender
- Nataliya Korollevska, Member of Parliament, Ukraine
- Stella Samúelsdóttir, CEO, Icelandic National Committee of UN WOMEN
- Mary Bicensio Wani, Member of Parliament, South Sudan

Moderated by: Miriam Elder, World Editor for BuzzFeed

16:00-18:00 Motherhood has No Borders

Why Would Access to Maternal Healthcare be different? La maternité n'a pas de frontières Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg B, 2nd floor

'No woman should die giving life'- This session aims to highlight the need for collective efforts amongst stakeholders to prioritise and streamline maternal health into relevant policies that will reach vulnerable groups of women. This session will be an opportunity to build upon the Outcome Declaration from 2017 meetings (Malta and the European Parliament) which had as objectives gathering concrete policy recommendations to ensure quality access to maternal healthcare for all women. The lack of scientific data and information on maternal healthcare leads to maternal health not being given the policy priority it deserves, and ultimately prevents women from accessing the care they need. WPL, with the support of MSD for Mothers, is working on a mapping project that will collect input from WPL members. It will explore what your role can be in helping to address national access to maternal health and subsequently minimise maternal mortality.

Speakers:

- Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta
- Xavier Prats Monné, Director-General for Health and Food Safety, European Commission
- Mary-Ann Etiebet, Executive Director, MSD for Mothers
- Caroline Hickson, Regional Director of the IPPF European Network

Moderated by: Katja Iversen, President and CEO of Women Deliver

16:00-18:00 A Woman's Place is in Politics

In Cooperation with Harvard University

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Bjortuloft, 6th floor

The panel will feature a shared conversation among high-level elected women leaders on the tangible steps toward increasing women's electoral representation in political systems. Both structural interventions and candidate training models will be addressed. Senior women political leaders from different parts of the world will provide expert global perspectives as well as personal reflections from their careers.



Speakers:

- Helen Clark, Prime Minister of New Zealand (1999-2008), Administrator of the UNDP (2009 -2017)
- Kim Campbell, Prime Minister, Canada (1993)
- Atifete Jahjaga, President of Kosovo (2011-2015)
- Inara Murniece, Speaker of the Saeima, Parliament of Latvia
- Esabelle Dingizian, Third Deputy Speaker of the Riksdag and WIP Ambassador, Sweden
- Tamar Chugoshvili, First Vice-Speaker of Parliament and WIP Ambassador, Georgia

Chaired by: Victoria A. Budson, Harvard Kennedy School of Government

19:30-22:00 Cultural Dinner

Venue: Hafnarhúsið - Reykjavík Art Museum Hosted by the Prime Minister of Iceland and WPL

Welcoming remarks:

- Bjarni Benediktsson Prime Minister of Iceland
- Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of WPL



THURSDAY, 30 NOVEMBER

Master of Ceremonies: tbc

08:30-9:15 Video Messages

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

- Julian King, Commissioner for Security Union, European Commission, European Union
- Isabelle Durant, Deputy Secretary-General of UNCTAD
- Celina Caesar-Chavannes, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of International Development, Canada
- Rose Gottemoeller, Deputy Secretary General of NATO
- Frans Timmermans, First Vice-President of the European Commission, European Union
- Malala Yousafzai, Nobel Laureate and UN Messenger of Peace

09:15-10:15 Plenary Session - Make Trade, Not War

Séance Plénière - Faire du commerce, pas la guerre Sesión Plenaria - Haz comercio, no guerra

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

While war closes boarders, horizons and opportunities, trade brings down barriers, broadens cooperation and connects people. The relationship between international trade and gender is robust. Women who benefit from a better access to the global markets open new economic opportunities for themselves, their families, their communities. Advancing gender equality in the labour force could add US \$28 trillion to global GDP by 2025. The relationship between trade and gender equality requires an understanding of economic and social dynamics in order to develop policies that catalyse economic development while also promoting women's empowerment and equality. Participants will take stock of current trade policy's contribution to the economic empowerment of women, raise awareness of gender issues in trade, and consider how trade can promote the advancement of gender equality through a combination of multi-stakeholder engagement and a progressive approach to sustainable development.

Speakers:

- Danielle Brulebois, Vice-President of the National Assembly of France
- Arancha González, Executive Director, International Trade
- Daya Dharmapala Kili Gamage, Minister of Primary Industries, Sri Lanka
- Ana Guevara, Member of Senate, Mexico

Moderated by: Halla Tómasdóttir, Presidential Candidate in Iceland 2016 and Founding Member of Reykjavík University

10.15-10.20 In Focus: When you Invest in Girls and Women, Everybody Wins From Victims to Powerhouses

Katja Iversen, President and CEO of Women Deliver



10:20-10:50 Girl2Leader - Lead like a Girl!

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor

Speakers:

- Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of Malta
- Didda, Girl2Leader Ambassador, Icelandic YouTuber

Chaired by: Silvana Koch-Mehrin, President of WPL

10:50-11:20 Coffee Break

- 11:20-11:30 Keynote WE CAN DO IT: Women as the New Emerging Market Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor
 - Mari Kiviniemi, Deputy Secretary General of OECD

11:30-12:00 In Focus: "What's up U.S.?"

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg, 2nd floor Women Political Leaders Challenging the Status Quo

Speakers:

- Samantha Vinograd, CNN National Security Analyst, Democratic Party
- Morgan Ortagus, White House Insider, Republican Party

12:00-13:30 Lunch: "Iceland: the Global Champion of Gender Equality" Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Hörpuhornið, 2nd floor

Hosted by: Porsteinn Viglundsson, Minister of Social Affairs and Equality, Iceland

Remarks by:

- Frida Rós Valdimarsdóttir, Chair of Icelandic Women's Rights Association
- Thorgerður Einarsdóttir, Professor Gender Studies Programme, University of Iceland

12:00-15:30 Girl2Leader: Campaign Event (By invitation only)





Policy Focus Sessions

13:30-15:30 Action! How to Turn the Sustainable Development Goals into Reality In cooperation with the UNSDG Action Campaign

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Bjortuloft 6th floor

Adopted in 2015 by world leaders, the UN's Sustainable Development Agenda includes goals to be achieved by 2030. These targets range from ending poverty and hunger to reducing inequality; to action on climate change, ecosystem restoration, and shift towards sustainable consumption and production; to promoting peace. Goal number 5 calls for greater empowerment of women recognizing that without it sustainable development is simply unachievable. As the SDGs are far more ambitious than their predecessor, the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), they require more political commitment, economic resources, solidarity and cohesion to become a reality for everyone, everywhere. Maintaining the momentum of the post-2015 development agenda requires innovative ideas and engagement with partners on all sectors. This discussion will involve good practices to address challenges into making the fulfilment of the SDGs a reality.

Speakers:

- Abiodun Olujimi, Senate Deputy Minority Whip, National Assembly, Nigeria
- Nurhayati Ali Assegaf, Chair of Inter-Parliamentary Cooperation, and Chair of World Parliamentary Forum on Sustainable Development; Member of the House of Representatives and WIP Ambassador, Indonesia
- Achim Steiner, Administrator of the UNDP (VTC)
- Ragna Árnadóttir, Deputy CEO Landsvirkjun, Minister of Justice of Iceland (2009-2010)
- Asthildur Otharsdóttir, Chairman of the board of Marel

Moderated by: UN SDG Secretariat

13:30-15:30 Healthy Women - Healthy Economies

Femmes en bonne santé - Économies saines

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg 2nd floor

"Healthy Women, Healthy Economies" (HWHE) is an innovative public-private partnership initiated under the auspices of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), Merck, and the U.S. and Philippine governments. This initiative is meant to advance women's health and well-being as well as increase their economic participation. HWHE brings together evidence about women's health and well-being and its impact on economic growth with best practices that governments, employers, and non-governmental organisations can follow. Integral to this effort is the WPL Policy Forum in which female political leaders share their experiences in advancing women's labour force participation through better health. The session focuses on solutions to reduce barriers that prevent women from entering, rising, and thriving in the workforce. The objectives of this panel discussion are to (i) increase participants' awareness of the relationship between women's empowerment and health, especially economic empowerment, and (ii) discuss examples of policy initiatives that can be implemented at the country level.

Speakers:

Paula Cox, Premier of Bermuda (2010-2012)



- Espérance Nyirasafari, Minister of Gender and Family Promotion, Rwanda
- Asaolu Tunji John, Chair, Social Affairs & Health Cluster Committee, African Union
- Saira Afzal Tarar, Minister of Health, Pakistan
- Christine Defraigne, President of the Belgian Senate
- Christine Bugos, Vice-President, Global Policy and Institutional Affairs EMD Serono

Moderated by: Hala Hanna, Director, SOLVE at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT); Senior Advisor, WPL

13:30-15:30 Women, Business, and the Law

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Visa 1st floor

In most countries around the world, men and women are by law treated differently. Rules and regulations continue to constrain women's entrepreneurship and employment opportunities. Access to finance, property rights, legal procedures are just a few of the areas where laws make a gender distinction. Such legal restrictions limit women's ability to make economic decisions in a variety of ways. Furthermore, these legal disparities can have far-reaching economic consequences on the labour market. This session will address some of the most important gender-based legal differences in the labour market and explore possibilities that will allow women to relish their full economic potential and participation.

Speakers:

- Iveta Radičová, Prime Minister of Slovakia (2010-2012)
- Augusto López-Claros, Senior Fellow at the Edmund Walsh School of Foreign Service at Georgetown University
- Neila Tazi, Vice-President of the Chambre des Conseillers, Morocco
- Linabelle Ruth R. Villarica, Deputy Speaker House of Representatives, Philippines
- Chiara Corazza, Managing Director, Women's Forum for the Economy and Society
- Birna Einarsdóttir, CEO, Islandsbanki

Moderated by: Hagar Hajjar Chemali, Greenwich Media Strategies

13:30-15:30 Social Media Training

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Stemma 1st floor

Whether you are a beginner or more advanced user, this session has something for you. Learn how to start using Facebook to engage with your constituents. We will go over the difference between a profile and a page, how you get started, manage comments and some content best practices. For those of you already regularly updating a Facebook page, we will focus on the types of content that work well on Facebook, how to use tools such as Facebook Live, and how to think about measuring results on your page. We will also address important issues of online safety.

Crystal Patterson, Government & Politics Outreach Manager, Facebook

13:30-15:30 All About Women - Gender Equality Mainstreamed In Cooperation with the OECD



Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Rima B, 1st floor

What happens to gender equality issues in social policy design? Well-designed policies and institutions can help level the playing field between women and men, but a whole-of-government approach is needed. Policies and budgets must be examined in terms of their different impacts on men and women and boys and girls. "Women's issues" cannot be considered separately from the rest of the social protection system. Mainstreaming gender requires evaluating gendered effects across issues and at every stage of the policy cycle. Two OECD experts will present most recently assessed gender gaps in the areas of employment, education, entrepreneurship, social protection and public life. They will describe positive examples and trends in the practice of gender mainstreaming, and discuss the relevance of adopting gender lenses in social policy design for greater impact. National representatives will discuss how gender differences have been considered in social and economic policies in their own countries, and how best to improve policies' quality and effectiveness for the benefit of all.

Speakers:

- Jennifer Smith, Premier of Bermuda (1998-2003)
- Wafa' Bani Mustafa, Member of Parliament, Jordan
- Þórey Vilhjálmsdóttir, Director, Capacent Iceland
- Eva Kristin Hansen, First Vice-President Parliament, Norway

Moderated by: Jane Dudman, The Guardian

13:30-15:30 Roots of Power: Property Rights

Les racines du pouvoir: droits de propriété In Cooperation with the African Development Bank Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Rima A, 1st floor

In the majority of developing countries, women working in agriculture do not own the land they work on. Land tenure of women is far from parity. At the 72nd UN General Assembly this year one of the core challenges discussed was the situation of women and girls in rural areas (resolution 70/132). This has marked a crucial area of greater involvement for governments, international organisations/institutions and civil society to contribute to the fulfilment of the Sustainable Development Goals. It is also the focus of work at the CSW in 2018. "Women's employment in agriculture has declined over the most recent two decades, but it continues to be the most important source of employment for women in low-income and lower-middle-income countries[...] [However] rural women are at the bottom of the earnings ladder" (UN, 12, 2017). This session will be an opportunity to collect good practices and address challenges in the process of economic empowerment of women through access to property rights.

Speakers:

- Awe Gueye, Vice President of the National Assembly, Senegal
- Zipporah Kittony, Kenya Women Parliamentary Association (KEWOPA)
- Marie Danielle Selvon, Member of Parliament, Mauritius
- Lakshmi Sundaram, Executive Director of Girls Not Brides

Moderated by: Cynthia Kamikazi, African Development Bank



15:30-17:00 Side Working Group- Council of Economic Empowerment

15:30-17:30 Statements by National Delegation Leaders

Déclarations des Dirigeants des Délégations Nationales Declaraciones por parte de las Líderes de las Delegaciones Nacionales Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg 2nd Floor

Chaired by: Speaker of Althingi

17:30-17:50 WE CAN DO IT: Refueling ambition, a conversation with...

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg 2nd Floor Three women from different walks of life will discuss roads to leadership and refuel the flame of ambition to change the world, and to remain optimistic.

- Violeta Bulc, EU Commissioner for Transport
- Lisa Witter, Co-Founder and Executive Chairman of Apolitical, US
- Assita Kanko, Senior Special Advisor WPL, Belgium/Burkina Faso

Moderated by: Ryan Heath, Senior EU Correspondent at POLITICO

17:50-18:00 Closing Remarks and Call to Action

Venue: Harpa Conference Centre, Room: Silfurberg 2nd Floor

- Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir, Chair of the Executive Board, WPL
- Laura Liswood, Secretary General, CWWL
- Speaker of Althingi

18:00-19:00 Farewell Reception Hosted by the Speaker of Althingi



PRACTICAL INFORMATION

VENUES

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Harpa, Conference Centre Austurbakki 2, 101 Reykjavík, Iceland

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