



59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The Permanent Missions of Algeria, Australia, Chile and Switzerland to the UN, in cooperation with UN Women and IPU

are pleased to invite you to a

High-Level Side Event on Women in Political Leadership Achieving Equality in Political Decision-Making

Monday, 9 March 2015, 3:00 - 4:15 pm

DHL Auditorium - Dag Hammarskjöld Library, UNHQ

Panelists

- H.E. Ms Mounia Meslem Si Amer, Minister of National Solidarity, Family and the Status of Women, Algeria
- Senator The Hon Michaelia Cash, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Women, Australia
- H.E. Ms Claudia Pascual, Minister-Director of the National Women's Service (SERNAM), Chile
- H. E. Ms Corine Mauch, Mayor of the City of Zurich, Switzerland
- H.E. Ms Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director of UN Women
- Ms Kareen Jabre, Director of the Division of Programmes of the Inter-Parliamentary Union

Moderator

- H.E. Mr. Benno Bättig, Secretary-General, Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, Switzerland

The objective of the event is to highlight the importance of gender equality and leadership of women in high-level political positions. It will elaborate on women's empowerment as well as diversity in decision-making in general to make sure women's specific needs are included in policy-making and legislation. Challenges as well as means and measures to achieve a higher proportion of women in politics are addressed, also against the background of the post-2015 agenda.

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