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Civil Society Consultations on the Regional Review of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action after Thirty Years

27-28 May 2024

Kempinski Hotel

Amman, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan

Proposed Agenda

Time	Session
Day One: Monday, May 27, 2024	
09:30 – 10:00	Opening Session Moderator: Ms. Salma Al-Nims, Senior Social Affairs officer, ESCWA <ul style="list-style-type: none">Ms. Lopa Banerjee, Director, Civil Society Division, UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)Ms. Salma Al-Nims, Senior Social Affairs officer, Gender Justice, Population and Inclusive Development Cluster, Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia.Ms. Shatha Abdellatif, Representative of League of Arab States Secretariat.
10:00 – 11:30	Session One: Comprehensive Review of Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (BDPfA) Moderator: Ms. Nada Darwazeh, Chief of ESCWA Center for Women Keynote Speech: Entry points for CSOs and UN engagement on B+30 review process Ms. Lopa Banerjee, Director, Civil Society Division, UN Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Overview the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action Review and its intersection with the Sustainable Development Goals and Human Rights Frameworks Ms. Salma Al-Nims, Senior Social Affairs officer, ESCWAOverview of key areas of progress and indicators Dr. Mageud Osman, ConsultantDiscussion on the role of civil society and partnerships with different stakeholders in implementation and review of BDPfA
11:30 – 12:00	Coffee break
12:00 – 14:00	Session Two: Progress across critical areas through the First, Second and Third dimensions: The role of civil society in contribution to advancements in the three pillar areas, challenges faced, and lessons learned. Panel I: <ol style="list-style-type: none">Inclusive development, shared prosperity and decent workPoverty eradication, social protection, and social services

Panel II:

3. Freedom from violence, stigmatization and stereotypes
 - Women in Media, Technology and Gender-Based Violence
 - Combating domestic violence
 - Violence against women in the public sphere and politics

14:00 – 15:00 **Lunch break**

15:00 – 16:30 **Session Three: Progress across critical areas through the Fourth, Fifth and Sixth dimensions:**
The role of civil society in contribution to advancements in the three pillar areas, challenges faced, and lessons learned.

Panel III

4. Participation, accountability and gender-responsive institutions
 - Women in decision-making positions
5. Peaceful and inclusive societies
 - Implementation of Women, Peace and Security Agenda
6. Environmental conservation, protection and rehabilitation
 - Role of women in climate action

Day Two: Tuesday, May 28, 2024

9:30 – 10:00 Review of Day One discussions

10:00 – 12:00 **Session Four: Working Groups**
Six working groups are organized around the above themes, each addressing: challenges and mechanisms to address them, sharing good practices and proposing messages to policymakers.

12:00 – 12:30 **Coffee break**

12:30 – 14:00 **Session Five: Crisis and push back on Gender Equality Agenda**

Panel IV

- The Israeli occupation and its impact on Palestinian women and girls in the OPT, including the war on Gaza.
- Conflict in Sudan: Impact on women and girls and the role of women in addressing it.
- Countering the backlash on the gender equality and women's empowerment agenda: the way forward

14:00 – 15:00 **Lunch break**

15:00 – 16:30 **Closing Session**

- Summarizing main priorities and possible partnerships with different stakeholders for achievement.
- Key messages to policy makers.