

# UNDP Global Conference on Gender-Based Violence (GBV); Policies, Actions and Impact

Caracas, Venezuela, 21-22 April 2009

## AGENDA

**Objective :** To identify entry points for UNDP's enhanced work on GBV, in complementarity with its partners.

**Output :** A clear statement of the entry points, and challenges to them, plus outline of next steps, including a guidance note for UNDP staff

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### DAY ONE: Tuesday, 21 April 2009

#### Morning

8.30 – 9.30 **Welcome and Opening**  
David McLachlan-Karr, Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative, Venezuela

**Introductory Remarks**  
Winnie Byanyima, Director, UNDP Gender Team.

**Keynote Address: Venezuela's experience in addressing GBV and the role of UNDP**  
Hon. Maria Leon (Minister of Women's Affairs, Venezuela) \*or Norma Romero, Vice Minister for Policy Development

9.30-9.45 COFFEE/TEA

9.45-10.30 Review of objectives, agenda, workshop ground rules and documentation

10.30-10.45 **Briefing: Venezuela National Dialogue on GBV, Caracas, 20 April 2009**  
Hon. Marelis Perez Marcano (Chair of the Parliamentary Committee of Women, Family and Youth, Venezuela)

#### **Session I: Overview of UNDP Potential to Contribute to Improved Measurement of GBV**

*Session objective: To establish the importance of and challenges to measurement of progress in addressing GBV, and to pool the exiting knowledge and experience in the room as a shared foundation for the subsequent discussions.*

10.45 – 11.30 **Summary introduction on UN and other Global indicators on GBV**  
Sylvia Walby (UNESCO Chair in Gender Research, Professor, Department of Sociology, Lancaster University)

11.30 – 12.30 **Working Group** discussion followed by report back

12.30 –1.45 LUNCH

## **Afternoon**

### **Session II The Challenges and Opportunities for Partnership and Coordination**

*Session Objective: This session will focus the discussion around the Secretary General's Campaign to end GBV (UNite to end GBV) in the aim to identify effective ways to step up inter-agency collaboration*

1.45–3.15

#### **Panel Presentations**

*Chair: Winnie Byanyima* (Director, UNDP Gender Team)

- *Jacqueline Badcock*, Resident Coordinator and Resident Representative Papua New Guinea
- *Upala Devi* (Gender and Human Rights Section, UNFPA)
- *Gladys Acosta-Vargas* (Chief, Latin America and the Caribbean, UNIFEM)

Plenary Discussion

3.15-3.30

**COFFEE/TEA**

### **Session III: Addressing GBV through UNDP's Democratic Governance work**

*Session Objective: This session will review UNDP's potential to contribute to the reduction of GBV through its work on democratic governance –legal frameworks and the rule of law, access to justice, local governance.*

3.30-4.45

#### **Panel Presentations**

*Chair: Coumba Mar Gadio*, (UNDP Regional Gender Adviser, Dakar)

- **Key Issues in GBV and the Law**  
*Ana Carcedo* (President, Feminist Center for Research and Action, Costa Rica)
- **Organic Law and Special Courts for the Rights of Women to a Violence Free Life**  
*Judge Yolanda Jaimes* (Supreme Court of Justice, Venezuela)
- **Addressing GBV in the Canadian Judicial System**  
*Dahlia Saibil* (Domestic Violence Prosecutor, Canada)

Plenary Discussion

4.45-6.00

**Working Groups:** participants will be divided into the following three working groups. The WG will discuss 1) entry points for UNDP (new opportunities and gaps) and 2) challenges.

- GROUP 1: Rule of Law
- GROUP 2: Access to Justice
- GROUP 3: Local Governance and Services
- GROUP 4: Coordination

Summary report back

6.00-6.15

Security Briefing.

## **Evening**

7.00

**Venezuelan Music and Cocktails** hosted by  
Hon. Maria Leon, Minister of Women's Affairs, Venezuela

## DAY TWO: Wednesday, April 22, 2009

### Morning

#### **Session IV: Changing Attitudes and Behaviour.**

*Session Objective: This session will examine the threats to women's security in different regions, and consider the impact of various approaches to address them: media, civil society and working with men and boys.*

8.30-8.45 Welcome, review of previous day, comments and questions.  
Video Spot: Venezuela campaign on women's right to a life free from violence.

#### 8.45-10.00 **Panel Presentations**

*Chair:* Patricia Mohammad (Professor of Gender and Cultural Studies, UWI)

- **Breaking the silence: honor killings and other forms of GBV in the Arab Region**  
Rana Hussein (Senior Reporter/Human Rights Activist, Amman)
- **Policy-making for social change: the gender impact of social violence.**  
Magally Huggins
- **Working with Men and Boys to end GBV**  
Fabio Verani (Senior Programme Officer, PROMUNDO, Brazil)

Plenary Discussion

10.00-11.00 **Working Groups:** participants will be divided into the following three working groups. The WG will discuss 1) entry points for UNDP (new opportunities and gaps) and 2) challenges.

- GROUP 1: Media
- GROUP 2: Working with civil society
- GROUP 3: Working with men and boys

Summary report back

11.00 –11.15 TEA/COFFEE

#### **Session V: Addressing GBV through UNDP's work on Poverty Reduction and Inclusive Growth**

*Obj: to explore entry-points and synergies for UNDP's work on GBV and poverty, fostering the inclusion of GBV considerations in various aspects of economic policy, enhancing progress towards the MDGs*

#### 11.15 – 12.30 **Panel Presentations**

*Chair:* Jacqueline Badcock

- **Integrating GBV into national development/planning and budgeting processes**  
Eliz Villagomez (Economist) - by video
- **The nexus between GBV, trade, migration**  
Reihana Mohideen (Activist and Founding Member of International Gender and Trade Network, Asia)
- **Addressing GBV through poverty reduction programmes.**  
Nora Castaneda (President of Banco de Desarrollo de la Mujer (Banmujer), Venezuela)
- **Working on GBV and Poverty Reduction in the Balkans**  
Monika Kocaqi (Reflecksione Association, Albania)

Plenary Discussion

12.30-2.00 LUNCH

## **Afternoon**

2.00 – 4.00 **Working Groups:** participants will be divided into the following four working groups. The WG will discuss 1) entry points for UNDP (new opportunities and gaps) and 2) challenges.

- GROUP 1: Economic planning and budgeting
- GROUP 2: Migration and trade
- GROUP 3: Poverty Reduction

Summary report back

Consolidation and conclusion

Outline of possible UNDP Guideline on GBV Programming

4.00-4.15 TEA/COFFEE

### **Session VI: The Way Forward**

4.15-4.45 Wrap-up — key issues for UNDP to take forward. Winnie Byanyima

4.45-5.00. Evaluation and Closing