

## Commission on the Status of Women 68 (2024)

### Side event

#### **Title: Urgent Action for Gender Equality in the SDGs: Accelerating Progress for Women and Girls by 2030**

**Date: Wednesday, 13 March 2024 / Time: 9:00 am EST**

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Halfway to 2030, progress on achieving the SDGs from a gender perspective is way off track despite being fundamental to realizing the 2030 Agenda. If current trends continue, over 340 million women and girls will still live in extreme poverty and close to 1 in 4 women and girls are expected to be moderately or severely food insecure by 2030.

*Progress on the Sustainable Development Goals: The Gender Snapshot 2023* is the latest edition in the annual series produced by UN Women and UNDESA. The report presents the latest evidence on gender equality across all 17 Goals, including prevailing trends and gaps on the road to 2030. Recent setbacks, particularly among women and girls living in fragile or conflict-affected countries, and growing vulnerability brought on by human-induced climate change, are worsening the outlook of making gender equality a reality by 2030.

With only 7 years remaining, much more action is needed to substantially accelerate progress and keep the promise made to women and girls. The report calls for an integrated and holistic approach to advancing gender equality, including via greater multistakeholder collaboration and targeted and sustained funding in support of the gender equality agenda. Failure to scale up and invest in gender equality now will place the entire 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in peril. Much more action is needed to deliver all 2030 Agenda promises to women and girls, in all their diversity. The proposed side event will focus on presenting the latest available evidence from the report.

Tentative speakers

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<b>Moderator: Heather Page</b> , Statistician, Sustainable Development Goals Monitoring Section, Statistics Division, UN DESA
<b>Ginette Azcona</b> , Senior Research and Data Specialist at UN Women
<b>Gogita Todradze</b> , Georgia NSO (TBC)
<b>Joanne Crawford</b> , Strategic Adviser, Equality Insights (TBC)
<b>Albert Motivans</b> , Head of Data and Research, Equal Measures 2030 (TBC)

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