



# Transforming the World: Parity in Science

First International Day of Women and Girls in Science

11 February 2016, Conference Room 2, United Nations HQ

## Program Agenda

### Opening Session: 10.00 – 11.30

#### *Opening Remarks:*

HRH Princess Dr. Nisreen El-Hashemite, Executive Director, Royal Academy of Science International Trust, Founder of Women in Science International League

H.E. Mr. Mogens Lykketoft, President of the 70th Session of the United Nations General Assembly.

Hon. Dr. Helena Dalli, Minister for Social Dialogue, Consumer Affairs and Civil Liberties, Malta

H.E. Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director, UN Women

Statement by H.E. Mr. Nicos Anastasiades, President of the Republic of Cyprus – Video Message

Girls in Science: 11-year-old Rebecca Jekogian

HE for SHE Pledge: HRH Prince Zein El-Hashemite

Statement by Director General of UNESCO

Statement by H.E. Mr. Luis Guillermo Solís, President of Costa Rica – Video Message

Youth Vision: Miss Begum Kogar

Dr. Ann Lee-Karlon, President, Association of Women in Science

Statement by H.E. Ms. Marie-Louise Coleiro Preca, President of the Republic of Malta

Letters of Congratulations from Elected Representatives in New York City and State – Read by Richard Jordan

**11.30 – 11.40 HEALTH BREAK**

## **11:40 – 13.00: High-Level Panel on Policy Imperatives for Women and Girls in Science**

Moderator: Ms. Daniela Bas, Director of Division of Social Policy and Development – United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs

Ms. Kathryn Brown, President and CEO, Internet Society

Statement by H.E. Dr. Babatunde Osotimehin, Executive Director, UNFPA

Hon. Mr. Michael Browne, Minister of Education, Science and Technology, Antigua and Barbuda

Ms. Jacqueline McGlade, Chief Scientist, Director, Division of Early Warning and Assessment, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) – Video Message

Hon. Mr. Samy Gemayel MP, Lebanon

H.E. Mr. M. Riadh Ben Sliman, Deputy Permanent Representative of Tunisia to the United Nations

Mr. Vinicius Pinheiro, Director and Special Representative of the International Labour Organization Liaison Office to the UN

H.E. Mr. Riyad H. Mansour, Permanent Observer of the State of Palestine to the United Nations

**13.00 – 15.00      Lunch Break**

## **15.00 – 18:00: Parity in Science for Sustainable Development**

Chairs: HRH Princess Nisreen El-Hashemite, and Hon. Dr. Helena Dalli, Minister for Social Dialogue, Consumer Affairs and Civil Liberties, Malta

Mr. Maher Nasser, Director of the Outreach Division in the United Nations Department of Public Information

Dr. Susan Finn - President of Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

H.E. Mrs. Elisenda Vives Balmaña, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Andorra to the United Nations

Statement by H.E. Maja Makovec Brenčič Min. of Education, Science, & Sport, Slovenia (Video Message)

Professor William Best, Professor of Practice Electrical and Computer Engineering and co-Director of Lehigh's innovative IDEAS, Lehigh University, USA

Dr. David Kenneth Waldman - Founder/President/CEO, To Love Children Educational Foundation International

Youth Remarks: Veronica McKinny, Sanjana Shree Chintalapudi, Elena Martin and Sonja Gorman, Lehigh University, USA

Ms. Banan H AL Banna, Content developer & Evaluation Officer, Mishkat Interactive Center for Atomic & Renewable Energy and Talents, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

H.R.H. Princess Abze Djigma - CEO ABZESOLAR S.A., Founder and Leader of The Initiative MAMA-LIGHT for Sustainable Energy, Burkina Faso

Prof. Nilufer Narli, Chairperson of Sociology Department and the Director of Center for Society, Health Behaviour and Preventive Studies, Bahcesehir University, Turkey

Toshi Kato, Vice President, Chuo University, Japan - Video Message

Dr. Ifeyinwa Ofong, President of Women in Development and Environment Organization, Nigeria

Prof. Nimmi Ramanujam, Founder of Women's Health Technologies Center, Duke University

Prof. Elizabeth P Henske, MD, Director, Center for LAM Research and Clinical Care, Brigham and Women's Hospital, and Professor of Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Boston MA.

Ms. Gloria Blackwell, Vice President of Fellowships Grants & Global Programs, American Association of University Women (AAUW)

Kathleen O'Hara MA LPC Victim Service Specialist

Remarks by Mrs. Nayeema Khan and two students, Khan's Tutorial

Mr. Katsuhiko Imada - Counselor, Permanent Mission of Japan to the UN

17.50 – 18.00      Closing Remarks by the Chairs