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Economic Commission for Africa



International Women's Day

Theme: "Time is Now:
Rural and urban activists transforming women's lives"

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11am-13pm

Draft agenda

Temps	Activity	Responsible/Moderator
10:45-11:00	Registration	African Center for Gender (ACG/ECA)
PANEL DISCUSSION Moderator: Ms. Thokozile Ruzvidzo, Director, SDPD		
11:00-11:10	Introduction:	Ms. Ngone Diop, Senior Advisor, ACG
11:10-11:17	Protecting the rights of rural and urban women activists: The General Assembly Resolution on Women's Human Rights Defenders	Mr. Nwanne Vwede Obahor Regional Representative OHCHR - EARO Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights
11:17-11:25	Transforming the lives of rural women through land ownership. Lessons from the Land Policy Initiative	Joan Kagwanya Chief, Land Policy Initiative
11:25-11:35	Claiming women's rights: the contribution of women's Lawyers	Ms. Meron Aragaw Ethiopian Women Lawyers Association

INTERACTION/DIALOGUE		
Transforming women's lives through their economic empowerment		
11:35-11:45	Women activists working to unlocking rural and urban women's entrepreneurship potentials	Ms. Salem Kassahun Manager Salem's Company, Ethiopia
11:45-12:00	Success stories from rural women	Ms. Azeb Kelemework, Executive Director, Union of Ethiopian Women Charitable Associations
12:00-12:55		
OPEN DISCUSSION		
Moderator		
12:55-13:00	Moving forward: paving the way for actionable headways towards transformation of the lives of rural and urban women in Africa	Moderator
END OF THE PANEL DISCUSSION		
13:00	Tea/coffee, networking	