UN NGO Parallel Sessions February 2011

Violence Against the Girl Child

Inside the Home and Across Borders Tuesday, February 22, 2011

10:00 am - 11:30 am

Downstairs Room, Salvation Army International Social Justice Commission 221 East 52nd Street, New York, New York 10022

Women and girls who are survivors of violence, in the home or across borders, need the support of law enforcement and social services to find safety from abuse and enslavement. All too often these public agencies are a source of fear and mistrust. This international panel of experts will directly address Millennium Development Goal #3 to promote gender equality and empower women by sharing best practices and models for effective response in diverse communities, discussing programs developed to provide services to girls vulnerable to violence and exploitation. Using case studies and highlighting evidence-based programming, participants will receive tools that can be implemented in their own communities to alleviate this epidemic of violence against girls. This event is free.

Expert Panelists

Collaborative Interventions: Government Responses to Family Violence - view PowerPoint (pdf)

Laura Marshall, MSW, Fiscal and Policy Analyst San Francisco Department on the Status of Women

Responses to Female Genital Mutilation in Iragi Kurdistan

Liesl Gerntholtz, Women's Rights Division Director Human Rights Watch **Speaking out about Child Rape in Zimbabwe** Michealene Cristini Risley, Producer Writer Director

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Efforts to Advance the Human Rights of Women in Korea - view PowerPoint (pdf)

Sook-ja Kim, Family Policy Division Director Ministry of Gender Equality and Family, Korea

How Women Learn to Earn

from Rural Panama to the Schools of Oakland, CA to the Factories of Korea

Tuesday, February 22, 2011

4:00 pm - 5:30 pm

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This international panel of experts will offer concrete examples of strategies for women to gain economic independence. Hear from Yaribeth De Leon de Deago of Panama who educates rural women on how to earn a living by growing native plants, and her mentor Adriana Fabrega, also of Panama, who coaches women entrepreneurs through the Pathways to Prosperity in the Americas program advocated by Secretary of State Secretary Clinton. Entrepreneur Tamara Apollon will discuss her efforts to encourage Haitian women to pursue microenterprise. Learn from Lynette Lee who led a nationallyrecognized Oakland-based community development corporation that trains low-income tenants, including refugees and new immigrants, to accrue personal savings (amounting to over \$1 million to date), and leads a financial literacy program for girls between the ages of 10 - 17. Olivia Calderon of the New America Foundation will share her insights on successful strategies in the United States. Sookja Kim of the Korean Ministry of Gender Equality and Family will review employment strategies for women in Korea. The panel will be facilitated by Dr. Emily Murase of the San Francisco Department on the Status of Women, responsible for overseeing implementation of the 1998 San Francisco CEDAW Ordinance. This event is free.

Expert Panelists:

Tamara Apollon, Enterpreneur - **View PowerPoint (pdf)** (United States/Haiti)

Olivia Calderon, California Legislative Director - New America Foundation (United States)

Yaribeth De Leon de Deago, Executive Director - View PowerPoint (pdf) Nativaes (Panama)

Adriana Fabrega, Managing Director - **View PowerPoint (pdf)** Discover the World Marketing (Panama)

Sook-ja Kim, Director, Family Policy Division - **View PowerPoint (pdf)** Ministry of Gender Equality & Family (Korea)

Lynette Lee, Community Organizing Consultant - **View PowerPoint (pdf)** (United States)