Side event “Financing for Gender Equality in the Context of Sustainable Development”

The event "Financing for Gender Equality in the Context of Sustainable Development" will bring together Government representatives at the national and local levels, authorities of financial institutions and representatives of organizations of the United Nations System. Throughout the conversations, they will exchange experiences, analysis, and proposals to include gender equality in financing and in initiatives to promote a transformative recovery with equality.

This side event is being held within the context of the Fifth Meeting of the Forum of the Countries of Latin America and the Caribbean on Sustainable Development (San José, 7-9 March, 2022). This Forum is the regional mechanism for monitoring and reviewing the implementation and follow-up of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), their targets, their means of implementation and the Addis Ababa Action Agenda on Financing for Development.

Link to register: [https://undp.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VADHYUA3TlIfEY1cckmblw](https://undp.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_VADHYUA3TlIfEY1cckmblw)

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This event aims to:

- Share experiences and initiatives promoted in the region to include the gender dimension in the financing of public policies.
- Analyze from an economic and social perspective the impacts and challenges for gender equality and the empowerment and autonomy of women in the Latin American and Caribbean region in the context of the economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic.
- Exchange strategies to consider the gender approach in the analysis of public finances, include the care economy as a key driving force for recovery with equality and promote
investments aligned with the Sustainable Development Goals, mainly in SDG 5 and in line with the commitments of the Regional Gender Agenda.

PROGRAM

12:45 p.m. to 1:10 p.m. Opening

- Luis Felipe López-Calva, Regional Director of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP)
- Alicia Bárcena, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) (pre-recorded video)

Moderator: Luciana Mermet, Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in Bolivia

1:10 p.m. to 1:55 p.m. Overview of challenges and opportunities to promote financing for gender equality in the framework of sustainable development

- Claudia López, Mayor of Bogotá, Colombia
- Mercedes D'Alessandro, National Director of Economy, Equality and Gender of the Ministry of Economy of the Argentine Republic

1:55 p.m. to 2:05 p.m. Comments and reflections based on the presentations

- María Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

2:05 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Next steps and closing

- Luciana Mermet, Resident Representative of the United Nations Development Program (UNDP) in Bolivia
- Ana Güezmes García, Director of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC

The side event is organized by the co-leadership agencies ECLAC, UNDP and UN Women of the Thematic Coalition on Financing for Development of the United Nations Regional Collaboration Platform for Latin America and the Caribbean.