

# MULTISTAKEHOLDER CONSULTATIONS FOR ARMENIA, GEORGIA, MOLDOVA, UKRAINE TO PREPARE FOR THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN 68<sup>TH</sup> SESSION

Accelerating the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls by addressing poverty and strengthening institutions and financing with a gender perspective

**20 FEBRUARY 2024**

10:00 Moldova, Ukraine time (GMT+2)

12:00 Armenia, Georgia time (GMT+4)

Zoom meeting  
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**Venue for in-person participants:** 1, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale str., Government Building (participants from the Republic of Moldova)

**Language:** English is the working language of the event. Simultaneous translation will be provided in Armenian, Georgian, Romanian, Russian and Ukrainian

**Participating countries:** Armenia, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine

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**DRAFT AGENDA**

9:45 **Registration (for in-person participants of the co-hosting country)**

10:00 – 10:15 **Opening remarks by:**

- **Marina Morozova**, Deputy Head of the Committee on Social Protection, Health and Family Affairs, Parliament of the Republic of Moldova
- **Simon Springett**, UN Resident Coordinator in the Republic of Moldova
- **Elisa Fernandez Saenz**, Regional Director a.i. for UN Women Europe and Central Asia

**Moderator – Dominika Stojanoska**, Representative, UN Women Moldova Country Office

10:15 – 10:30 **Setting the scenario:** An overview of the implementation of the priority theme and key challenges in the region by **Prof. Marija Babović**

## **PANEL 1. Women's Poverty: Care-sensitive Social Protection and Participation in the Labour Force**

10:30 – 10:40 **Keynote by Alexei Buzu**, Minister of Labour and Social Protection of the Republic of Moldova

10:40 – 11:40 **Moderated discussion by Kaori Ishikawa**, UN Women Country Representative in Georgia and Liaison for the South Caucasus

**With the participation of:**

- **Yevhenii Tsymbaliuk**, Ambassador at Large for Human Rights, Gender Equality and Diversity, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ukraine
- **Corina Ajder**, State Secretary, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, Moldova
- **Ruben Sargsyan**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Armenia
- **Khatuna Totladze**, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs, Georgia
- **Tamar Kurtanidze**, Head of Department of Social Protection, IDPs and Labour Policy, Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs, Georgia
- **Gohar Shahnazaryan**, Director of Women's Fund, Armenia
- **Salome Kajaia**, Project Coordinator, Solidarity Center, Georgia
- **Nina Lozinschi**, Secretary General, Gender Equality Platform, Moldova

*Speakers are invited to share views and answer one question (max 5 min for each speaker) and one follow-up question. Interventions will be followed by interactive moderated discussions.*

**Wrap up Panel 1**

11:40 – 11:50 Coffee break

## **PANEL 2. Investing for Women and Girls: Mainstreaming Gender in Financing, Investment Schemes and Humanitarian Assistance**

11:50 – 13:00 **Moderated discussion by Sabine Freizer Gunes**, Representative, UN Women Ukraine Country Office

**With the participation of:**

- **Petru Rotaru**, Minister of Finance, Moldova (tbc)
- **Anna Zhamakochyan**, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Labour and Social Affairs, Armenia
- **Tetyana Berezhna**, Deputy Minister of Economy, Ukraine
- **Natia Gulua**, Head of Budgetary Department, Ministry of Finance, Georgia
- **Ana Gorea**, Vice-President, Association of Women Entrepreneurs (AFAM), Moldova
- **Anna Mazur**, Founder and CEO of Professional Development Platform Happy Monday, Ukraine
- **Maya Kobalia**, Head of Environmental and Social Department, Crystal MFO, Georgia

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**Wrap up Panel 2**

13:00 – 13:30 **Short presentation of the summary of key discussions by Aurelia Bulat**, Head of the Department on Gender Equality Policies, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, Moldova

**Closing remarks**