

Second civil society online consultation for the commemoration of the 30th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration for Action

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Date: 25 June 2024, Tuesday

Time: 10.00 am Brussels time/ 11 am Istanbul time/ 4 pm Central Asia time (3 hours)

Format: Online

Connection arrangements: Zoom meeting (**Register [here](#)**)

Language: English with simultaneous interpretation

Background

In 2025, the global community will mark the thirtieth anniversary of the [Fourth World Conference on Women and the adoption of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action](#) (1995), and 10 years of the [2030 Agenda](#) and [the Sustainable Development Goals](#). This milestone prompts a critical review of state actions and compliance with the platform's objectives, a process commencing in 2023 and culminating in a global assessment at the [69th session of the Commission on the Status of Women](#) in 2025. The Beijing+30 review process will involve stakeholders from the government, the private sector, civil society organizations (CSOs) and youth, facilitating dialogue and collaboration to elevate local realities onto the global stage.

The UN Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and UN Women Europe and Central Asia Regional Office (ECARO) will jointly organize the Regional Review Meeting on the 30-year review of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action in the UNECE region and its alignment with the 2030 Agenda in Geneva on 21-22 October 2024.

Furthermore, in the lead-up to the Regional Review Meeting, UN Women ECARO will organize a series of consultations with a broad range of stakeholders, including civil society and young people, to prepare for and inform the Beijing+30 review process with key milestones.

Facilitators: Aslihan Tekin and Xeniya Udud

Time (GMT +3)	Session content
11:00 – 11:05	Opening by the Steering Committee

11:05 – 11:25	Welcoming remarks by UN Women & the Steering Committee
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Part 1: Accelerating the Beijing Platform for Action and holistic overview in ECA region	
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11:15 – 11:22	<p><i>This session aims to contextualise the 30th anniversary in regional efforts to achieve gender equality in ECA region. After sharing their level of understanding/knowledge on the BPfA, participants will learn more about the content of the BPfA, the review process from national to global levels and its significance to the region.</i></p> <p>Valentina Bodrug Lungu, Gender Centre - Moldova</p>
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11:22 - 11:25	Introducing the Questionnaire for the second consultation - to be filled after the session
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Part 2: Clustered Area – Freedom from violence, stigma, and stereotypes	
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11:25 - 11:45	<p><i>This session aims to contextualize the challenges and recommendations related to Freedom from violence, stigma, and stereotypes in the context of the BPfA+25 in the ECA region.</i></p> <p>Pille Tsopp-Pagan, Women’s Support Services and a Member of GREVIO - Estonia</p> <p>Tamar Dekanosidze, Equality Now - Georgia</p> <p>Q&A</p>
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11:45 – 12:10	<p>Break out groups informed followed by guided discussion</p> <p><i>In this session, participants will have the opportunity of sharing the progress, gaps, challenges and opportunities linked to clustered area. <u>Freedom from violence, stigma, and stereotypes</u></i></p> <p><i>Guiding Questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are the changes in the prevalence and nature of gender-based violence, stigma, and stereotypes in your country over the past 5 years? What are the primary challenges that remain, and how have they affected different groups of women and girls? - In your experience, how effective and inclusive have government policies and initiatives been in addressing violence against women and gender based violence, and implementing the commitments of the Beijing+25 process?
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What are your recommendations for overcoming these challenges in our region?
12:10 - 12:30	Report back to plenary (3 min per group)
12:30 - 12:45	BREAK

Part 3: Clustered Area – Peaceful and inclusive societies	
12:45 - 13:05	<p><i>This session aims to contextualize the challenges and recommendations related to peaceful and inclusive societies in the context of (BPfA+25) in the ECA region.</i></p> <p><i>Ajna Jusić, Forgotten Children of War - Bosnia and Herzegovina</i> <i>Anna Nemsadze, Women's Information Center - Georgia</i> Q&A</p>
13:05 – 13:30	<p>Break out groups informed followed by guided discussion</p> <p><i>In this session, participants will have the opportunity of sharing the progress, gaps, challenges and opportunities linked to clustered area. <u>Peaceful and inclusive societies</u></i></p> <p><i>Guiding Questions:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How have the efforts to promote peaceful and inclusive societies progressed in your country since Beijing+25? Are there any specific initiatives or policies that have notably contributed to this goal, and what impact have they had on fostering inclusivity and reducing conflict? - What are the main challenges that still hinder the creation of peaceful and inclusive societies in our context? How can the government and civil society organizations better collaborate to address these challenges and ensure that the principles of the Beijing+25 process are fully realized? - What are your recommendations for overcoming these challenges in our region?

13:30 - 13:50	Report back to plenary (3 min per group)
13:50 - 14:00	Wrap up and Next Steps Closing remarks