

### **Interactive Expert Panel**

#### **Building resilient futures: Bridging the gap between the physical science and social science communities to advance gender equality in the context of climate change, environment and disaster risk reduction**

**Tuesday, 22 March 2022, 3.00 – 5.00 p.m.**

#### ***Background***

Under the priority theme “Achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes,” the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) will convene an Interactive Expert Panel on “Building resilient futures: Bridging the gap between the physical science and social science communities to advance gender equality in the context of climate change, environment and disaster risk reduction.”

Bringing together the physical and social sciences with gender-responsive sustainable development practice and action is key for building women’s and girls’ resilience to climate change, environmental degradation and disasters and advancing gender equality. To forge resilient futures, we must break silos and strengthen women’s, girls’ and their organizations’ resilience as powerful agents of change.

#### ***Objective***

The Interactive Expert Panel is an opportunity for the exchange of views, experiences, and new insights from the physical and social scientific communities and feminist research and practice. The panel will bring together diverse experts who will make short presentations followed by a moderated discussion and questions and comments from the floor.

#### ***Proposed topics for discussion***

- Integrating gender dimensions in climate change science and policy
- Towards feminist science and policy to support marine biodiversity and coastal communities
- Joining science and policy for a gender-responsive sustainable energy transition
- Promoting synergies between scientific data and practice in the gender-environment nexus
- Drawing on physical and social science to support feminist climate, environmental and disaster risk reduction advocacy and action.
- Youth perspectives on bringing together science and feminist climate action for the wellbeing of people and the planet.

#### ***Format and participation***

The interactive expert panel will be moderated by a Vice-Chair of the CSW Bureau. It will start with short presentations (6-8 minutes) by six experts, followed by comments, questions and contributions

from Member States and other stakeholders addressed to the panelists. Member States will participate in the dialogue on a voluntary basis. No speakers' list will be kept.

UN-Women will facilitate an online application process for representatives of NGOs in consultative status with ECOSOC. The list of NGOs proposed for participation in the event will be distributed to Member States through respective Bureau members.

***Outcome***

The outcome of the expert panel discussion will be in the form of a summary of the Chair of the Commission, prepared in consultation with the regional groups, through the members of the Bureau.