



2010 UNDP/UNDESA E-discussion on Women and Poverty

Launch Message: Part III

[Facilitator's note: Please find below the final phase of the E-discussion on Women and Poverty for the 15-Year Review of the Implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action and ECOSOC 2010 Annual Ministerial Review on Gender Equality and Advancement of Women. This E-discussion is cross posted on gender-net, mdg-net and pr-net. The discussion will be held from January 11 –February 12, 2010.]

Dear Participants,

With only three days remaining in our e-discussion, I would like to request your thoughts and feedback to suggest policy and advocacy messages to help us shape our input to the upcoming high-level global events taking place in 2010, including Commission on the Status of Women (CSW), Economic and Social Council Annual Ministerial Review (ECOSOC AMR) and the 2010 Millennium Development Goal Review.

We hope to bring new thinking and new ideas to the policy debate about poverty reduction, gender equality and women's empowerment, drawing on experience with implementing the Beijing Platform for Action and the Millennium Development Goals.

Here are some final questions to consider:

What are your core policy messages for the UN inter-governmental decision-making?

What critical actions on gender equality are now required in light of the new challenges (e.g. economic crisis, climate change)?

What are the specific commitments that you would like leaders to take forward to 2015 in order to advance achievements on the MDGs?

Keep the messages and good ideas coming. Also, we look forward for concrete recommendations and feasible and targeted solutions on gender and poverty issues.

Thank you very much for all of your active participation.

Best regards,

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