



Permanent Mission of the Arab Republic of Egypt to the United Nations Office, the WIO & other International Organizations in Geneva

# The path towards COP 27

## Gender Equality and Climate Change

Monday, 16 May 2022 (1130-1330)

### **Virtual Panel discussion**

**Organizers:** Mission of Egypt to the UN in Geneva, UN Women.

### **Objectives:**

In the aftermath of the 66th Session of the Commission on the Status of Women, which examined the priority theme of achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women in the context of climate change, environmental and disaster risk reduction policies and programmes, acknowledging the important role of women as agents of change, and in the lead-up to COP 27, the Government of Egypt, the incoming president of COP 27, along with UN Women will be hosting a virtual panel discussion on the relationship between Gender Equality and Climate Change and the importance of adopting a gender-sensitive approach in environmental governance.

The Dialogue will provide an opportunity for all the stakeholders in international Geneva including representatives of governments, UN entities, academia and civil society representatives among others to reflect on the importance of promoting gender perspectives within adaptation and mitigation policies, and strengthening women's voice and their meaningful participation in environmental governance. Moreover, it will discuss the COP 27 Presidency's vision- which was initially elaborated through a paper that was launched on CSW66- on how to ensure a just environmental transition for women, and will explore innovative approaches in this context.

### Opening Statements:

H.E. Dr. Maya Morsy, President of the National Council for Women, Egypt

Ms. Adriana Quiñones, Director, UN Women Geneva Liaison Office

#### Panelists:

**H.E. Dr. Yasmine Fouad, Minister of Environment of Egypt**: *Egypt's Global Perspective on Women, Environment and Climate Change: A Gender-Responsive Vision for COP27.* 

Ms. Mami Mizutori, Assistant Secretary-General and Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction: Gender-responsive disaster risk reduction and women-led early warning systems.

**Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) representative**: Climate Change 2022: Impacts, Adaptation and Vulnerability: A Gender Perspective (TBC)

**Dr. Ian Fry, Special Rapporteur on Climate Change and Human Rights**: *Promoting Equitable, Rights-based and Gender Responsive Climate Action (TBC)* 

**Mr. Yves Lador**, Permanent representative of **EarthJustice** to the UN in Geneva: *Priorities of civil society during COP 27*.

#### Format:

The panel discussion will be two hours. The opening statements and initial presentations by the panelists will take around one hour and a half, followed by an interactive discussion and interventions from the floor. The Panel discussion will be held in English.

Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86314406942