Why women matter
Promoting gender balance in public life and economic strategies

Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

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AGENDA

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

Working sessions to be held at Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Sala delle Conferenze Internazionali (piazzale della Farnesina)

8:00 – 8:50 am    Registration

9:00 am    Welcoming remarks

Elisabetta Belloni, Secretary General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome

OPENING SESSION

Setting the stage: gender gaps, competition and sustainable development

Speakers

Measuring the gender gap
Gabriela Ramos, OECD Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20, Paris

Women and sustainability
Enrico Giovannini, Professor of Economic Statistics, Tor Vergata University, Rome
9:30-10:45 am  
**FIRST SESSION**  
*Promoting women’s role in public life: comparing outcomes*  
Chair  
Marta Dassù, Executive President WE-Women Empower the World, Rome  

*Kick-off speakers*  
Rolf Alter, Director, Public Governance and Territorial Development, OECD, Paris  
Linda Lanzillotta, Vice President of the Italian Senate, Rome  
Lakshmi Puri, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive Director of UN Women, New York  
Paola Severino Di Benedetto, Rector LUISS “Guido Carli” University, Rome  

10:45–11:00 am  
Coffee break  

11:00am –12:15 pm  
**SECOND SESSION**  
*Empowering women for more inclusive and dynamic economic growth*  
Chair  
Paola Subacchi, Research Director, International Economics, Chatham House  

*Kick-off speakers*  
Veronica De Romanis, Stanford University, The Breyer Center for Overseas Studies, Florence; Scientific Committee, Fondazione Luigi Einaudi, Rome  
Donato Jacovone, Partner Principal, Ernst & Young, Milan  
Irene Khan, Director General, IDLO - International Development Law Organization, Rome (tbc)  
Sandra Mori, President, Valore D; General Counsel Europe, Coca Cola Company, Milan  
Stefano Scarpetta, Director for Employment, Labor and Social Affairs, OECD, Paris  

**CLOSING REMARKS**  
*Exploiting the G7 opportunity*  
Massimo Gaiani, Director General for Global Issues and for Asia, Sub Saharan Africa, Latin America, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome  

Discussion  

12:15- 1:30 pm  
**CLOSING SESSION**  
*Gender balance and its impact. A guide to the future*  
Chair  
Monica Maggioni, President, RAI, Rome
Speakers

Emma Bonino, President, WE-Women Empower the World, Rome
Kristalina Georgieva, Vice President, European Commission, Brussels
Maria Patrizia Grieco, Chairman, Enel, Rome
Emma Marcegaglia, President, BusinessEurope; Chairman, Eni, Rome
Samia Nkrumah, President of the Convention People’s Party, Accra

Debate

Catherine Colonna, French Ambassador to Italy, Rome
Jill Morris, British Ambassador to Italy, Rome (tbc)
Suzanne Wasun-Reiner, German Ambassador to Italy, Rome

Closing remarks

Maria Elena Boschi, Minister for Institutional Reforms, Rome
Paolo Gentiloni, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome