Italian G7 Presidency
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Starting from girls
Women’s Forum on inequality and sustainable growth
Rome, April 7-8, 2017
Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

FRIDAY, APRIL 7

12:30-1:00pm  Participants’ registration

1:00-2:00pm  Lunch

2:00-2:15pm  Welcome
Mario Giro, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome
Benedetto Della Vedova, Under-Secretary of State, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome

2:15-4:15pm  PLENARY SESSION – “INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES” ROOM
Chair
Emma Bonino, President, WE-Women Empower the World; President, European Council on Foreign Relations, Rome

Videoconference from Washington, DC (TBC)
Inequality and the future of growth
Christine Lagarde, Managing Director, IMF, Washington, DC

Special address from Brussels
Federica Mogherini, High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Brussels
Conversation on “Starting from girls: defining key priorities”

with
Maria Patrizia Grieco, Chairman of the Board, Enel, Rome
Diego Piacentini, Government Commissioner for the Digital Agenda, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Rome
Marietje Schaake, Vice-Chair, Delegation for relations with the United States; Member, Committee on International Trade European Parliament, Brussels
Princess Sarah Zeid, Her Royal Highness of Jordan

moderated by
Monica Maggioni, Chairman, RAI, Rome

Discussion

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

PRESENTATION OF THE FOUR THEMATIC GROUPS

Chairs
Marta Dassù, Chair, Aspen Initiative for Europe, Rome
Sandra Mori, President, Valore D, Milan

Working Group I – “ONOFRI” ROOM
Simona Scarpaleggia, CEO Ikea Switzerland and Board Member IKEA Food, Zurich

Working Group II – “GUILLET” ROOM
Paola Subacchi, Research Director, International Economics, Chatham House, London

Working Group III – “NIGRA” ROOM
Laura Frigenti, Director, Agenzia Italiana per la Cooperazione allo Sviluppo, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome

Working Group IV – “TELECONFERENCES” ROOM
Emma Bonino, President, WE-Women Empower the World; President, European Council on Foreign Relations, Rome
PARALLEL SESSIONS ON FOUR THEMATIC GROUPS

Participants are divided into four “off the record” Working Groups on specific issues, conducted in ENGLISH. The results of each working group will be presented during the final Plenary Session.

Working Group I – “ONOFRI” ROOM

**Investing in girls’ economic empowerment: closing the gender gap to foster growth**

- New technologies and the future of jobs
- Is digital education the key tool in empowering girls?
- Can we use fiscal incentives to close the gender pay gap in labor markets?
- A better work/life balance
- Smart working as a necessary tool
- The key role of financial literacy
- Comparing best practices in the G7 countries

Chair and kick-off speakers

**Sandra Mori,** President, Valore D, Milan

**Simona Scarpaleggia,** CEO Ikea Switzerland and Board Member IKEA Food, Zurich

**Nuria Chinchilla,** Professor of Managing People in Organizations, ICWF International Center for Work and Family, IESE Business School - University of Navarra, Barcelona

Rapporteur

**Marietje Schaake,** Vice-Chair, Delegation for relations with the United States; Member, Committee on International Trade European Parliament, Brussels

Discussion

Working Group II – “GUILLET” ROOM

**Social inequalities and the future of democracy**

- The middle class is losing ground. What are the consequences in terms of inequalities, in particular for women?
- What are the consequences of the rising levels of women’s unpaid care work?
- How to cope with an ageing population? Care roles and responsibilities of women.
- Gender pay and pension gap. Young women are currently trapped in low-paid jobs, are unemployed or rely on their partners’ contributions. Is this going to lead to pension poverty?
- The relevance of a better legal framework: norms, laws and gender parity
- Fighting violence against women in the G7 countries: starting from data and thinking ahead
Chair and kick-off speakers


**Maurizio Del Conte**, Associate Professor of Labor Law, Luigi Bocconi University, Milan

**Hanna Birna Kristjánsdóttir**, Chair of the Executive Board, WPL-Women Political Leaders Global Forum, Brussels

**Linda Laura Sabbadini**, Social Statistician, Rome

*Rapporteur*

**Manuela Tomei**, Director of the ILOs Conditions of Work and Employment Programme, Geneva

**Discussion**

**Working Group III** – “NIGRA” ROOM

*Women, health and science*

- What are the key actions to grant equitable access to health for women and girls? Is gender budgeting a useful tool?
- Can our societies afford sustainable health?
- What interventions can best strengthen adolescents’ empowerment in health? The role of public and private sectors
- Early and late pregnancies: increasing women’s rights to ensure better reproductive outcomes
- Violence against women as public health problem
- What actions can promote the engagement of women in research and science?
- Science in the “post-truth” age: the responsibilities of the media

Chair and kick-off speakers

**Flavia Bustreo**, Deputy Director General, WHO - World Health Organization, Geneva

**Vinod Bhutani**, Professor of Pediatrics, Stanford University, Stanford, CA

**Diana Bracco**, President and CEO, Bracco Group, Milan

**Simonetta Di Pippo**, Director, UNOOSA - United Nations Office for Outer Space Affairs, Vienna

**Kathleen Kennedy Townsend**, Chair, Institute of Human Virology, Baltimore, MD

**Alexander Zehnder**, Chairman and CEO, Sanofi, Milan

*Rapporteur*

**Elisa Scolaro**, Technical Officer, Office of the Assistant Director-General Family, Women’s and Children’s Health, WHO - World Health Organization, Geneva

**Discussion**
Working Group IV – “TELECONFERENCES” ROOM
Women and girls on the move: refugees, migration and integration

- Is there a gender issue in migration flows?
- Illegal trafficking of human beings: how to protect girls and women
- Female refugees and asylum seekers: how to conceive a G7 deal
- Female migrants: a pathway to integration in G7 societies. Comparing best practices
- Looking to origin, transit and host countries: the need for a new compact for the wider Mediterranean and Africa

Chair and kick-off speakers
Federico Soda, Chief of Mission and Director of the IOM Coordinating Office for the Mediterranean, International Organization for Migration, Rome
Chantal De Jonge Oudraat, President, WIIS-Women in International Security, Washington, DC
Marta Foresti, Managing Director, ODI-Overseas Development Institute, London
Lia Quartapelle Procopio, Member of the Italian Parliament, Rome

Rapporteur
Lauren Ravon, Director of Policy & Campaigns, Oxfam Canada, Ottawa

Discussion

7:30pm
Cocktails and dinner hosted by the Ambassador of France to Italy at Palazzo Farnese (Piazza Farnese, 67)
Keynote speech
Paolo Gentiloni, President of the Council of Ministers, Rome

SATURDAY, APRIL 8

8:30-10:30am FINAL PLENARY SESSION – “INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES” ROOM
Opening remarks
Vincenzo Amendola, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Rome
Chair
Veronica De Romanis, Stanford University, The Breyer Center for Overseas Studies in Florence; MBA Program, LUISS Guido Carli, Rome

Betting on a new generation: the key role of education
Valeria Fedeli, Minister of Education, Rome

Working groups’ reports and general discussion
Women empowerment and sustainable growth: the need for a new alliance

**Gabriela Ramos**, Chief of Staff and Sherpa to the G20, OECD - Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development, Paris

**Meg Jones**, Chief of Economic Empowerment UN Women, United Nations, New York, NY

**Luisa Todini**, Chairman, Poste Italiane; Chair of the Steering Committee, Project Grow-Generating Real Opportunities for Women, “Luiss Guido Carli University”, Rome

10:30-11:00am Coffee break

11:00am-12:00noon *Girls, women and health: fighting the right battles*

Chair

**Maria Latella**, Journalist, SKY, Milan

Panelists

**Beatrice Lorenzin**, Minister of Health, Rome

**Flavia Bustreo**, Deputy Director General, WHO - World Health Organization, Geneva

**Ilaria Capua**, Director, One Health Center of Excellence, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL

**Emerine Kabanshi**, Minister of Community Development, Mother and Child Health, Zambia

**Helle Thorning Schmidt**, CEO, Save the Children, Fairfield, CT

12:00noon-1:00pm *Fighting violence against women*

Chair

**Alessandra Galloni**, Global News Editor, Reuters Group, London

Panelists

**Maria Elena Boschi**, Undersecretary of State, Presidency of the Council of Ministers, Rome

**Imen Ben Mohamed**, Member, Assembly of the People’s Representatives; Fundamental Rights, Civil Liberties and Foreign Affairs Committee; Vice-Chair, Committee on Economic and Financial Affairs, Social Affairs and Education, Parliamentary Assembly - Union for The Mediterranean, Tunis

**Diane Jacovella**, Deputy Minister; G7 Foreign Affairs Sous-Sherpa, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ottawa

**Laurence Rossignol**, Minister for Families, Children and Women’s Rights, Paris

**Hanna Serwaah Tetteh**, Former Minister of Foreign Affairs; Lawyer, "Osafo Buabeng & Co" Law Firm, Tema, Ghana

1:00-3:00pm Closing Lunch

*Italian-English simultaneous translation will be provided during the Plenary Sessions. The working groups will be held in English*