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UN CLIMATE CHANGE CONFERENCE EVENT

IMPORTANCE OF GENDER EQUALITY AND GENDER-RESPONSIVE FINANCE TO COMBAT CLIMATE CHANGE

Organizers: Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination of Pakistan and UN Women

Date: 4 December 2023

Time: 11:00 - 12:00 noon (Dubai time) Venue: Pakistan Pavilion, Expo City, Dubai Live-stream link: <u>UN Women</u>

SUMMARY

Pakistan's Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination is partnering with UN Women Pakistan and the UN Women Regional Office for Asia and the Pacific to present a side event at the UN Climate Change Conference (COP28) in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The event takes a deep-dive into gender, climate change and human vulnerabilities, and brings together Pakistani women leaders and women from other regions who navigate the terrain of climate crises and risks.

You are invited to learn more about how the human security perspective and gender approach offer entry points for sustainable climate finance.

CONTEXT

The nexus between gender, climate change and human security can be increasingly witnessed in Pakistan. The Government of Pakistan recognises that climate crises are not feltequally and that women and men have distinct capabilities as agents of change towards effective adaptation. In 2022, the government developed a national climate change gender action plan to ensure gender-responsive national actions across six priority sectors under Pakistan's national climate change policy. Likewise, the Resilient Recovery, Rehabilitation and Reconstruction Framework of the Government of Pakistan (4RF) recognises climate change as a significant threat multiplier that can undermine development gains if not adequately addressed.



Format

Hybrid panel discussion.

Speakers

- Welcoming remarks: Mr. Asif Hyder Shah, Secretary, Ministry of Climate Change and Environmental Coordination, Pakistan
- Keynote speaker: Ms. Jemimah Njuki, Chief of Economic Empowerment, UN Women

Panelists

- Climate leader from Pakistan, **Ms. Aisha Khan**, Head of Civil Society Coalition for Climate Change
- Young woman leader from Pakistan, **Ms. Ameera Adil**, climate activists and educator, feminist, founder of the Pakistan Youth Climate Network and an NGO 8clim.org; Head, Office of Sustainability at the National University of Science and Technology.
- Woman climate leader, **Kenza Benmoussa**, FAO WeCan focal point for Morocco, sustainability consultant and founder of EarthBound Harmony..
- Peacebuilder, Prof. Rufa Cagoco-Guiam, transitional justice negotiator and civil society leader from the Bangasmoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao in the Philippines (BARMM), Associate Professor at Mindanao State University, and author of research on extreme weather events and conflict in Maguindanao province.
- Male champion, **Mr. Haaris M. Chaudhary**, Chief Operating Officer at Mobilink Bank, Pakistan.
- International Organization for Migration (IOM) representative (to be advised).

Moderator

• Ms. Zainab Qaiser Khan, UN Women Pakistan, Head of Sub-Office Khyber Pakhtunkhwa