



Global Leadership Initiative on Gender Equality in Cities (2006-2009)

“Gender Equality for National and Local Governments” Workshop

*Kick-off Workshop at The Georgian Terrace Hotel
Atlanta, Georgia. November 13-15, 2006*

Agenda

Monday, November 13, 2006	
11:00	Registration Meet and Greet Opportunity for Delegates
12:00 The Grand Ballroom	Inaugural Ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming Remarks by Mr. Alex Mejia, Deputy Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta • Greetings by the Honorable Elizabeth Azcona, Minister of the Economy, Republic of Honduras • Keynote Address by the Honorable Shirley Franklin, Mayor of the City of Atlanta • Introduction of Delegates • Introduction of partnering UN agencies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - UNITAR (Ms. Akiko Miyahara, Programme Officer, UNITAR) - ILO (Dr. Jyoti Tuladhar, Senior Gender Specialist, Bureau for Gender Equality, ILO) - UN-HABITAT (Dr. Axumite Gebre-Egziabher, Director, UN-HABITAT, New York Office) - UN-INSTRAW (Eminent Ambassador Carmen Moreno, Director, UN-INSTRAW) • Group Photo • Luncheon
14:00 The Piedmont Room	Session 1: Facilitated by Ms. Akiko Miyahara, Programme Officer, UNITAR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction of Knowledge Management Tool and “River and Stairs” Diagram
15:30 The Piedmont Room	<i>Forum: Microcredit Financing and Women’s Participation:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Case Study: “The Case of Nepal” by Mr. Bidur Mainali, Secretary General of Municipalities Association-MuAN (Nepal) and Mr. Dinesh Thapaliya, Executive Officer of Kathmandu Metropolitan City (Nepal) • Q&A
17:00 The Piedmont Room	Keynote Address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Women and Local Leadership: The Metropolis Women International Network</i> by Ms. Francine Senécal, Co-President of Metropolis Women’s International Network, Montréal (Canada) • Q&A
17:30	Session concludes
18:30 The Ponce de Leon Hall	Cocktail Reception at The Georgian Terrace Hotel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcoming Remarks by Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum, President, Spelman College, Atlanta • Introduction by Ms. Remedios Gomez Arnau, Consul General of Mexico and Dean of the Consular Corps • Keynote Address by Eminent Ambassador Carmen Moreno, Director, UN-INSTRAW





Tuesday, November 14, 2006	
8:00 The Ponce de Leon Hall	Breakfast Keynote Speaker <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Senator the Honorable Joan Yuille-Williams, Minister of Community Development, Culture, and Gender Affairs, Republic of Trinidad and Tobago (invited)
9:00 The Grand Ballroom	Session 2: Facilitated by Ms. Akiko Miyahara, Programme Officer, UNITAR <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review of First Day by Participants Best Practice Sharing: Peer Assist Exercise Best Practice Sharing: Development of Knowledge Assets Presentation of Knowledge Assets
11:15	Coffee Break
11:30	Case Studies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>Gender Equality Strategy and Gender Sensitive Services: The Case of Vienna</i> by Ms. Ursula Bauer, Gender Mainstreaming Project Manager, City of Vienna (Austria) <i>Building Partnerships for Gender Equality: Ending Domestic Violence and Honor Crimes: The Case of Amman</i> by Dr. Hiam Kalimat Tuguz, Amman City Councilor (Jordan) <i>Montréal Case Study: Montréal Gender Equality Achievements</i> by Ms. Rita Rachele Dandavino, Coordinator, Metropolis Women's International Network, Montréal (Canada) Q&A
13:00	Working Lunch <i>Brainstorming Session: Partnerships and Collaboration with Institutions of Higher Education for Gender Equity</i> Facilitators: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Heather Gollmar Casey, Coordinator of Gender Studies, Brenau University, Atlanta Dr. Isa D. Williams, Assistant Professor of Women's Studies, Agnes Scott College, Atlanta
14:15 Meeting Room V Meeting Room VI	Best Practice Presentations: Tools for State and Local Government Authorities Session A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "ILO Participatory Gender Audit: A tool for Organizational Change" by Dr. Jyoti Tuladhar, Senior Gender Specialist, Bureau for Gender Equality, International Labour Organization (ILO) (Switzerland) "Interaction between Business Federations and Government" by Ms. Sandra Font, COO, Georgia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce (USA) Q&A Session B: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> "Presentation of the Leadership Guide for the Political Participation of Women" by Ms. Altagracia Balcacer Molina, Consultant, UN-INSTRAW (Dominican Republic) "Towards Women-Friendly Cities" Ms. Patricia Palacios, former consultant UMP/LAC/UN-HABITAT, Quito (Ecuador) and by Ms. Mariko Sato, Rapid Response for Settlements in Crisis, UN-HABITAT Geneva (Switzerland) Q&A
15:30 The Piedmont Ballroom	Session 3: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly of Teams to design Action Plans Ratification of the Atlanta Declaration on Gender Equality and Government
16:15	Coffee Break
16:30 The Piedmont Ballroom	Session 4: Knowledge Fair
17:30	Session concludes
18:45	Departure for Optional Dine-In with Prominent Women from the Atlanta Community





Wednesday, November 15, 2006 – Public Day Session	
8:30 The Ponce de Leon Hall	Breakfast <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation by Mr. Jorge Duran, Senior Fellow, Secretariat for Integral Development, Washington, D.C., Organization of America States (OAS)
9:30 The Piedmont Ballroom	Session 5: Draft Action Plans by City Delegations
11:00 The Piedmont Ballroom	Plenary Session <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Action Plans by City Delegations • Summary of Best Practices
12:30 The Piedmont Ballroom	Working Lunch <i>Roundtable Discussion: Gender Equality in Building Public and Private Partnerships</i> Moderator: Dr. Elizabeth Kiss , President, Agnes Scott College Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Maureen Corcoran, Vice President, Diversity, Prudential Financial • Ms. Rosalia Thomas, HR Manager, IBM Corporation • Ms. Susana Chavez, Atlanta Commission on Women and Vice President, Parking Co. of America • Ms. Paulette Lewis, U.S. Department of Labor • The Honorable Alexandra Perez, Secretary of the National Council for Modernization, Republic of Ecuador
14:30 The Grand Ballroom	Public Day: Program open to the Community Mistress of Ceremonies: Ms. Patricia Janiot , Senior Anchor, CNN en Español <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation on CIFAL Atlanta by Mr. Alex Mejia, Deputy Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta • Statement of Workshop Findings by Panel of Delegates • Keynote Address by the Honorable Brigitte Grouwels, Secretary of State for Equal Opportunities for the Region of Brussels (Belgium)
15:30 The Grand Ballroom	Closing Ceremony Moderated by Mr. Axel Leblois , Executive Director, CIFAL Atlanta and UNITAR Senior Special Fellow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remarks by Dr. Marcel Boisard, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General & UNITAR Executive Director • Presentation and signing of the Atlanta Declaration on Gender Equality and Government • Remarks by the Honorable Nancy A. Boxill, Commissioner, Fulton County, Atlanta • Closing remarks by the Honorable Shirley Franklin, Mayor of the City of Atlanta

