Special meeting of the Presiding Officers
of the Regional Conference on Women
in Latin America and the Caribbean

Santiago, 22–23 June 2022

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME
(Chilean time, GMT-4)

Wednesday, 22 June

9 – 9.25 a.m. Opening of the special meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Raúl García-Buchaca, Deputy Executive Secretary for Management and Programme Analysis of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)
- Antonia Orellana, Minister of Women’s Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile, in her capacity as Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

9.25 – 9.30 a.m. Adoption of the agenda

9.30 – 11.45 a.m. Presentation of progress in the preparation of the position document for the fifteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Ana Guezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC

Statements by delegations

11.45 a.m. – noon Coffee break
noon – 1 p.m. Preparations for the fifteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC
- Cecilia Alemany, Deputy Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women (online)
- Santiago Cafiero, Minister of Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of Argentina (pre-recorded video)
- Elizabeth Gómez Alcorta, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina, in her capacity as Vice-Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

Statements by delegations

1 – 2.30 p.m. Break

2.30 – 4 p.m. Presentation of progress in the preparation of the report on information systems, pillar 9 of the Montevideo Strategy for Implementation of the Regional Gender Agenda within the Sustainable Development Framework by 2030
- Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC
- Xavier Mancero, Chief of the Social Statistics Unit of the Statistics Division of ECLAC

Statements by delegations

Thursday, 23 June

9 a.m. – 1.15 p.m. Session commemorating the forty-fifth anniversary of the Regional Gender Agenda

9 – 11 a.m. High-level panel: Contribution of the Regional Gender Agenda to policies on gender equality and women’s autonomy in Latin America and the Caribbean
Moderator: Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC
- Antonia Urrejola, Minister of Foreign Affairs of Chile
- Elizabeth Gómez Alcorta, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina
- Teresa Amarelle, Secretary General of the Federation of Cuban Women
- Marta Lucía Ramírez, Vice-President and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Colombia
- Beatriz Argimón, Vice-President of Uruguay (online)
- Alicia Bárcena, former Executive Secretary of ECLAC (online)
- Nadine Gasman, President of the National Women’s Institute (INMUJERES) of Mexico (online)
- Adis King, Minister of Youth Development and Empowerment, Youth at Risk, Gender Affairs, Seniors Security and Dominicans with Disabilities of Dominica
• Dean Jonas, Minister of Social Transformation, Human Resource Development and the Blue Economy of Antigua and Barbuda (online)
• Diana Miloslavich, Minister for Women’s Affairs and Vulnerable Populations of Peru (online)
• Irene Montero, Minister of Equality of the Government of Spain (online)
• Juan Carlos Holguín, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Human Mobility of Ecuador (pre-recorded video)
• Enrique V. Iglesias, former Executive Secretary ECLAC (pre-recorded video)
• Antonia Orellana, Minister of Women’s Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile, in her capacity as Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

Ministers and high-level authorities of the region’s mechanisms for the advancement of women who wish to take the floor will be added to the list of speakers.

11 – 11.15 a.m. Coffee break

11.15 a.m. – 1.15 p.m High-level panel: Partnerships, achievements and challenges in advancing the Regional Gender Agenda
Moderator: Antonia Orellana, Minister of Women’s Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile, in her capacity as Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
• María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
• Gladys Acosta Vargas, Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (pre-recorded video)
• Alejandra Mora Mora, Executive Secretary of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) of the Organization of American States (OAS) (online)
• Maria Teresa Zapeta, Executive Director of the International Indigenous Women’s Forum (FIMI) (pre-recorded video)
• Virginia Vargas, co-founder of the Flora Tristán Centre of Peru
• Ayesha Constable, founder of Young People for Action on Climate Change Jamaica (online)
• Paola Yáñez, General Coordinator, Network of Afro-Latin American, Afro-Caribbean and Diaspora Women

Statements by delegations

1.15 – 1.30 p.m. Closing session
• Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC
• Maria-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
• Antonia Orellana, Minister of Women’s Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile, in her capacity as Chair of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

1.30 – 2.20 p.m. Reception