Gendering Governance through Local-to-Local Dialogues

Description of event:

Local-to-Local Dialogues are locally designed strategies whereby grassroots women's groups initiate and engage in ongoing dialogue with local authorities with a view to influencing policies, plans and programmes in ways that address women's priorities. The Huairou Commission, with support from UN-HABITAT and USAID, conducted Local-to-Local Dialogues in six countries, and on the basis of this experience, have developed a guide for professionals, practitioners and grassroots women's groups in other countries who want to introduce Local-to-Local Dialogues in their own cities and countries.

The objectives of this session are:

• To disseminate the outcomes, experiences and lessons of the Local to Local Dialogue process conducted in six countries by UN-HABITAT and the Huairou Commission

• To inform participants about the Local-to-Local Dialogue Tool and its applications in different contexts

• To discuss follow-up, including replication and scaling up, of the Local-to-Local Dialogue approach, across sectors as well as across cities/countries.

Name of organization:

UN-HABITAT (Urban Governance Section and Gender Unit) and Huairou Commission.

Description of organization:

The United Nations Human Settlements Programme, UN-HABITAT, is the United Nations agency for human settlements. It is mandated by the UN General Assembly to promote socially and environmentally sustainable towns and cities with the goal of providing adequate shelter for all.

Huairou Commission is an international network of grassroots women's groups and partners whose mission is to forge strategic partnerships to advance the capacity of grassroots women worldwide to strengthen and create sustainable communities.

Partner organizations: N/A

Confirmed speakers: N/A

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