Responsive Local Governance: Positioning Women to Lead

**Description of event:**
In this joint session, representatives of grassroots women's organizations, their local authority partners, the United Cities network of elected women as well as the international community will gather to exchange their views and reflect together on the state of engendering local governance. The roundtable will include concrete strategies, outcomes and policy recommendations emerging from grassroots groups. It will also provide an analysis of the advancement of the gender perspective in the UN HABITAT's Urban Governance Campaign and discuss the issue of gender mainstreaming, the quota system and engendering views of political women.

**Name of organization:**
Huairou Commission, Cordaid, United Cities and Local Governments

**Description of organization:**
The 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. Cordaid is one of the largest international development organizations. As one of the focus fields, Cordaid works towards achieving a better life for the poor in major cities in developing countries, promoting a healthy living environment, sufficient income and political control.

**Partner organizations:**
WISE: Organisation for Women in Self-Employment
National Gender Forum of NGOs (Ethiopia)

**Confirmed speakers:**
N/A

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