Fifteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

Buenos Aires, 7–11 November 2022

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME
(Sheraton Hotel Convention Centre)

Tuesday, 8 November

4 – 6 p.m.
(Libertador Meeting Room, first floor)

Opening ceremony of the fifteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean

- Ayelén Mazzina, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina
- Antonia Orellana, Minister of Women’s Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile, the country serving as outgoing Chair of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
- Gabriel Boric, President of Chile (pre-recorded video message)
- Claudia Mojica, United Nations Resident Coordinator for Argentina
- Maria-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)
- José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)
- Alberto Fernández, President of Argentina, host country of the fifteenth session of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean
Election of officers and adoption of the agenda

6.30 p.m. Cultural event hosted by the Government of Argentina
(National Auditorium, Kirchner Cultural Centre, second floor)

Wednesday, 9 November
(Libertador Meeting Room, Sheraton Hotel Convention Centre, first floor)

9.30 – 10 a.m. Presentation of the position paper *The care society: a horizon for sustainable recovery with gender equality*

*Moderator:* Ayelén Mazzina, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina

Document presented by José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of ECLAC

10 – 11.15 a.m. Comments on the document

- Antonia Orellana, Minister of Women’s Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile
- María Ángeles Durán, Researcher at the Spanish National Research Council (CSIC)
- Alison Drayton, Assistant Secretary-General, Directorate for Human and Social Development of the Secretariat of the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) (virtual)
- María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
- Rebeca Grynspan, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) (virtual)

11.15 – 11.30 a.m. Break

11.30 a.m. – 12.45 p.m. Statements by delegations

12.45 – 1 p.m. Reading of the civil society declaration

1 – 3 p.m. Break

3 – 4.30 p.m. **High-level dialogue on the care society in Latin America and the Caribbean**

*Moderator:* Ayelén Mazzina, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina

- Francia Márquez, Vice-President of Colombia (pre-recorded video message, to be confirmed)
- Teresa Amarelle, Secretary General of the Federation of Cuban Women
- Celina Lezcano, Minister for Women’s Affairs of Paraguay
- Janey Joseph, Director of Gender Affairs, Department of Gender Affairs of Saint Lucia
• Irene Montero, Minister of Equality of the Government of Spain
• Gladys Acosta Vargas, Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

4.30 – 4.45 p.m.  Break

4.45 – 6 p.m.  High-Level dialogue on the care society in Latin America and the Caribbean (continued)

Moderator: Ayelén Mazzina, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina

Statements by delegations

Thursday, 10 November
(Libertador Meeting Room, Sheraton Hotel Convention Centre, first floor)

9.30 – 11 a.m.  High-level panel 1: Financing of care

Moderator: María Inés Castillo, Minister for Social Development of Panama

Presentation of the document Financing care systems and policies in Latin America and the Caribbean: contributions for a sustainable recovery with gender equality, by Lucía Scuro Somma, Senior Social Affairs Officer of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC and Cecilia Alemany, Deputy Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean and ad interim representative in Argentina of UN-Women

• Mayra Jiménez, Minister for Women’s Affairs of the Dominican Republic
• Gina Magnolia Riaño, Secretary-General of the Ibero-American Social Security Organization (OISS)
• Rania Antonopoulos, Senior Scholar of the Gender Equality and the Economy programme of the Levy Economics Institute
• Fabio Bertranou, Director for the Southern Cone of Latin America of the International Labour Organization (ILO)

Statements by delegations

11.00 – 11.30 a.m.  Break

11.30 a.m. – 1 p.m.  High-level panel 2: Care for the planet

Moderator: Adilia Caravaca, Executive President of the National Women’s Institute (INAMU) of Costa Rica

• Adis King, Minister of Youth Development and Empowerment, Youth at Risk, Gender Affairs, Seniors Security and Dominicans with Disabilities
• Marcelo Cousillas, Head of the Legal Department of the Ministry of the Environment of Uruguay, the country serving as Chair of the Conference of the Parties to the Regional Agreement on Access to Information, Public Participation and Justice in Environmental Matters in Latin America and the Caribbean (Escazú Agreement)
- Liana Funes, representative of the National Network of Women Human Rights Defenders in Honduras and of the Mesoamerican Initiative of Women Human Rights Defenders
- Tarcila Rivera Zea, Coordinator, Continental Network of Indigenous Women of the Americas (ECMIA)
- Ayesha Constable, Founder of Young People for Action on Climate Change Jamaica
- Linda Maguire, Regional Director a.i. for Latin America and the Caribbean of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Statements by delegations

1 – 3 p.m. Break

3 – 3.20 p.m. Presentation of the document *Breaking the statistical silence to achieve gender equality by 2030: implementing the information systems pillar of the Montevideo Strategy for Implementation of the Regional Gender Agenda within the Sustainable Development Framework by 2030*

Moderator: Clemencia Carabalí, Presidential Adviser for Women’s Equity of Colombia

Document presented by Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC

3.20 – 3.40 p.m. Comments on the document

- Marco Lavagna, Director of the National Institute of Statistics and Censuses (INDEC) of Argentina, in his capacity as Chair of the Statistical Conference of the Americas
- Nadine Gasman, President of the National Women’s Institute (INMUJERES) of Mexico

3.40 – 4.30 p.m. Statements by delegations

**Friday, 11 November**
(Libertador Meeting Room, Sheraton Hotel Convention Centre, first floor)

9.30 – 11.30 a.m. **Round table on co-responsibility for care**

Moderator: Doris García Paredes, Minister of the State Secretariat, Office of Women’s Affairs of Honduras (to be confirmed)

- Wendy Pérez, Director General of the Plurinational Service for Women and Depatriarchalization (SEPMUD) of the Plurinational State of Bolivia
- Ana María Baiardi, Manager of Gender, Inclusion and Diversity, Corporate Vice-Presidency of Strategic Programming of the Development Bank of Latin America (CAF)
- Rosario Galarza Meza, Intersectionalities Officer, International Disability Alliance (IDA)
• Ruth Díaz Medrano, President of the Federación Nacional de Mujeres Trabajadoras (FENAMUTRA) of the Dominican Republic
• Naiara Leite, Executive Coordinator of Odara, Instituto da Mulher Negra and member of the Network of Afro-Latin American, Afro-Caribbean and Diaspora Women
• Karina Batthyány, Executive Secretary of the Latin American Social Sciences Council (CLACSO)

Statements by delegations

11.30 a.m. – noon  Break
noon – 12.30 p.m.  Consideration and adoption of agreements by the Conference
12.30 – 1.15 p.m.  Closing session

• Raúl García-Buchaca, Deputy Executive Secretary for Management and Programme Analysis of ECLAC
• María-Noel Vaeza, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
• Ayelén Mazzina, Minister for Women, Gender and Diversity of Argentina
• Amina Mohammed, Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations (pre-recorded video message)