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# PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

## Monday, 1 December

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| 9.45–10 a.m. | Welcome (coffee will be served) |
| 10–10.20 a.m. | Opening session of the sixty-seventh meeting of the Presiding Officers of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean<br>• José Manuel Salazar-Xirinachs, Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC)<br>• Bibiana Aido Almagro, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)<br>• Citlalli Hernández Mora, Minister for Women of Mexico (virtual) |
| 10.20–10.30 a.m. | Adoption of the agenda |
| 10.30–11 a.m. | Report on 2025 by the secretariat of the Regional Conference on Women in Latin America and the Caribbean<br>Presented by:<br>• Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC<br>Statements by delegations |
| 11 a.m.–1 p.m. | Decade of action to achieve substantive gender equality and the care society (2025–2035): proposed road map and country reports on plans for implementation of the Tlatelolco Commitment<br>Presented by:<br>• Citlalli Hernández Mora, Minister for Women of Mexico (virtual)<br>Statements by delegations |
| 1–2 p.m. | Break |

2–3.30 p.m. Briefing on draft general recommendation No. 41 on gender stereotypes, of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Presented by:

- Rhoda Reddock, Vice-Chair of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women, representing the Latin American and Caribbean Group (GRULAC)

Comments:

- Patsilí Toledo, Expert with the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Statements by delegations

3.30–4.15 p.m. Initiative for a Bi-regional Pact on Care between Latin America and the Caribbean and the European Union

- Tamara Ospina, Vice-Minister for Women of the Ministry of Equality and Equity of Colombia (virtual)
- Claudia Gintersdorfer, Ambassador of the European Union in Chile
- Anna Barrera, representative of the EU-LAC Foundation (virtual)
- Leire Pajín, Member of the European Parliament, Vice-Chair of the Euro-Latin American Parliamentary Assembly (virtual)
- Lucy Garrido, Communication and Campaigns Coordinator for Articulación Feminista Marcosur (AFM) (virtual)

Statements by delegations

**Tuesday, 2 December**

9.45–10 a.m. Welcome (coffee will be served)

10–10.30 a.m. Special session: regional consultation prior to the seventieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women, under the priority theme "Ensuring and strengthening access to justice for all women and girls, including by promoting inclusive and equitable legal systems, eliminating discriminatory laws, policies, and practices, and addressing structural barriers"

Introductory remarks:

- Maritza Chan Valverde, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Costa Rica to the United Nations and Chair of the Bureau of the seventieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women designated by the Latin American and Caribbean Group (video link)

Presented by:

- Bibiana Aido Almagro, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
- Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC

10.30 a.m.–12.20 p.m. **Panel 1: Overcoming barriers and discrimination through regulatory frameworks and justice systems**

Moderator: Jennifer Feller Enríquez, Director General for Human Rights and Democracy of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Mexico

- Antonia Orellana, Minister for Women's Affairs and Gender Equity of Chile
- Luz Patricia Mejía, Technical Secretary of the Follow-up Mechanism to the Belém do Pará Convention (MESECVI) (virtual)
- Julissa Mantilla Falcón, Lecturer at the Pontifical Catholic University of Peru
- Paola Yáñez, General Coordinator of the Network of Afro-Latin American, Afro-Caribbean and Diaspora Women

Discussion and statements by delegations

12.20–12.30 p.m. Statement by the Committee of Non-Governmental Organizations on the Condition of Women from Latin America and the Caribbean (CoNGO CSW LAC)

12.30–1.30 p.m. Break

1.30–3.15 p.m. Special session: regional consultation prior to the seventieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (continued)

**Panel 2: Drivers of change to ensure access to justice for women, adolescents and girls**

Moderator: Carolina Alvarado, Director of Women's Comprehensive Rights, Ministry of Women's Affairs of the Dominican Republic (virtual)

- Mónica Xavier, Director of the National Women's Institute of the Ministry of Social Development of Uruguay
- Gloria Ann Thomas, Senator and Minister for Social and Community Development, Housing and Gender Affairs of Grenada (virtual)
- Roberta Clarke, Commissioner of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights (IACHR) (virtual)
- Norma Don Juan Pérez, member of Coordinadora Nacional de Mujeres Indígenas (CONAMI) of Mexico, representing the Continental Network of Indigenous Women of the Americas (ECMIA)
- Mónica Soto, Magistrate with the Electoral Tribunal of the Federal Judiciary of Mexico and Chair of the Observatory on Gender Equality of the Global Network on Electoral Justice (virtual)

Discussion and statements by delegations

3.15–3.45 p.m. Report on the Regional Fund in Support of Women's and Feminist Organizations and Movements

- Report of the Chair of the Board of Directors of the Regional Fund, presented by Gabriela Rivadeneira, Director General of Technical Cooperation, Ministry for Women of Mexico

- Report of the Americas and the Caribbean Regional Office of UN-Women, in its capacity as administrative body, presented by Bibiana Aido Almagro, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
- Mariana Iacono, Communications Officer, International Community of Women Living with HIV (ICW), representing women's and feminist organizations that are members of the Regional Fund

Discussion and statements by delegations

3.45–4 p.m. Other matters

4–4.15 p.m. Consideration and adoption of agreements

4.15–4.45 p.m. Closing session

- Ana Güezmes García, Chief of the Division for Gender Affairs of ECLAC
- Bibiana Aido Almagro, Regional Director for the Americas and the Caribbean of UN-Women
- Gabriela Rivadeneira, Director General of Technical Cooperation, Ministry for Women of Mexico