



GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM

Mexico: 7 – 8 May 2020

Paris: 7 – 10 July 2020



Generation Equality Forum Why?



- 2020 will mark the 25th anniversary of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action (Beijing Declaration) – the most progressive blueprint for advancing women’s rights.
- It will also commemorate 20 years of Security Council Resolution 1325, 5 years of the Sustainable Development Goals, 10 years of UN Women and 75 years of the United Nations.
- These anniversaries come at a challenging time for multilateralism and women’s human rights. At this time, the equal enjoyment of the human rights of women and girls, in all their diversities, and in particular, those from marginalized communities, is at risk.
- The Generation Equality Forum serves as an opportunity to galvanize action towards gender equality. It will gather advocates from around the world to call for action and accountability for the full realization of the gender equality agenda.



Generation Equality Forum

What? Where? When?



- The Generation Equality Forum will be an **intergenerational and intersectional gathering for gender equality** convened by UN Women and co-chaired by France and Mexico, in partnership with civil society.
- Discussions will focus on action and accountability for the full implementation of the Beijing Declaration and intersecting, emerging issues for gender equality.
- Dates:
 - Mexico: 7-8 May 2020
 - Mobilizing
 - Action Coalition blueprint developed
 - France: 7-10 July 2020
 - Action Coalitions announced and roadmap launched
 - Connected to satellite sessions across the world through technology



A moment to reaffirm multilateralism, strengthen movement building, support youth and multi-stakeholder engagement for gender equality

Action Coalitions



The Generation Equality Forum will launch a set of Action Coalitions.

- Action Coalitions are innovative partnerships among civil society, Member States and business, as well as other stakeholders, that share common goals to accelerate action on critical thematic areas of concern.
- Each Action Coalition will develop a set of concrete, ambitious and transformative actions that Coalition members will take between 2020 - 2025 in order to achieve immediate and irreversible progress towards gender equality.
- Thematic areas for the Action Coalitions will be identified in consultation with civil society and other stakeholders and based on the outcomes of the Beijing+25 review processes.
- All stakeholders involved will be champions for gender equality, ready to provide financial support within time deadlines.



Satellite Sessions



- Satellite sessions will be held in specific countries in each region.
- Satellite sessions will bring together gender equality activists, youth champions, government representatives, private sector and other stakeholders in a call for action alongside the Generation Equality Forum.
- They will be convened by host countries together with civil society in each region and connected to the Generation Equality Forum via satellite technology.

Member States convening satellite sessions should:

- Join an Action Coalition
- Support funding for the satellite session
- Ensure intergenerational and intersectional representation of civil society
- Ensure minimum 25% of civil society representatives are youth from youth-led networks, and organizations
- Ensure connectivity and technology arrangements in accordance with Generation Equality Forum specifications
- Mobilize other Member States for the Forum

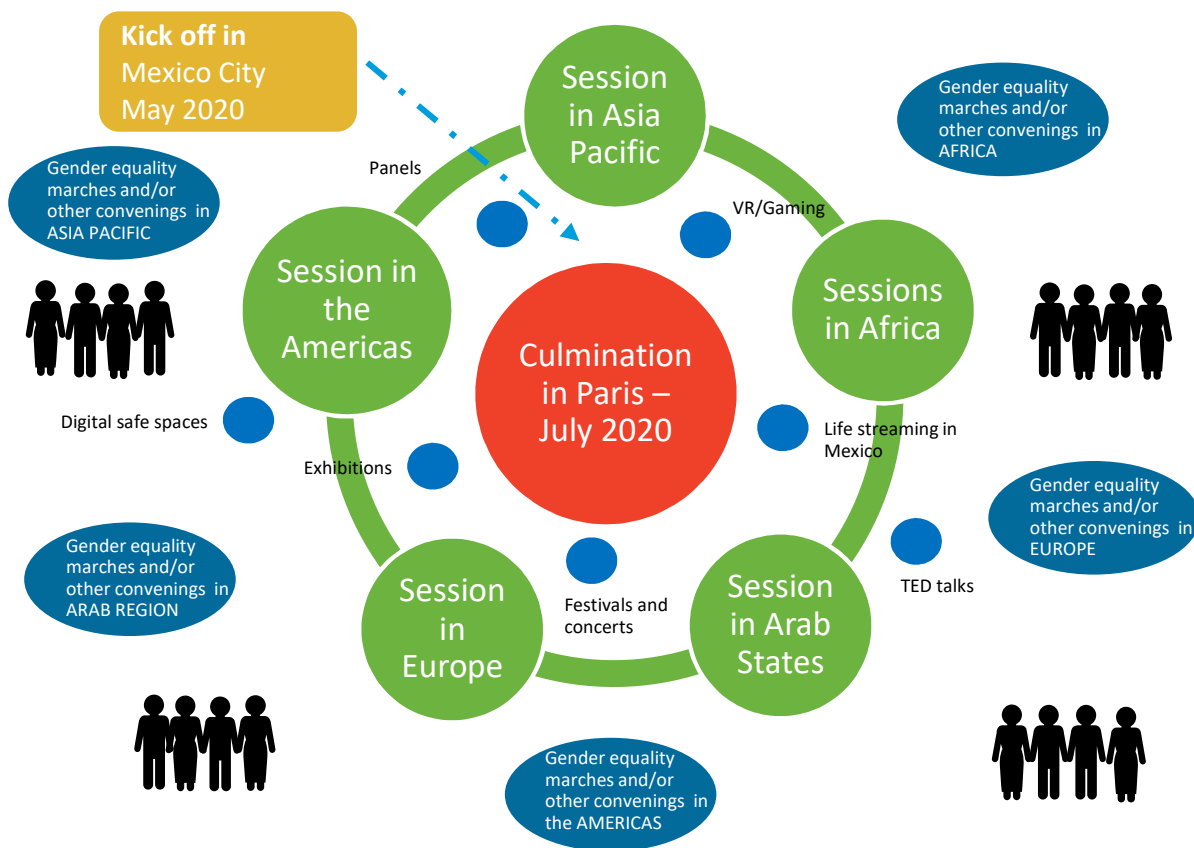


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Kick-off in Mexico City 7-8 May 2020
Culmination in Paris 7-10 July 2020



Mobilization of coalitions for accelerated implementation and accountability



Innovative approaches to engaging audiences

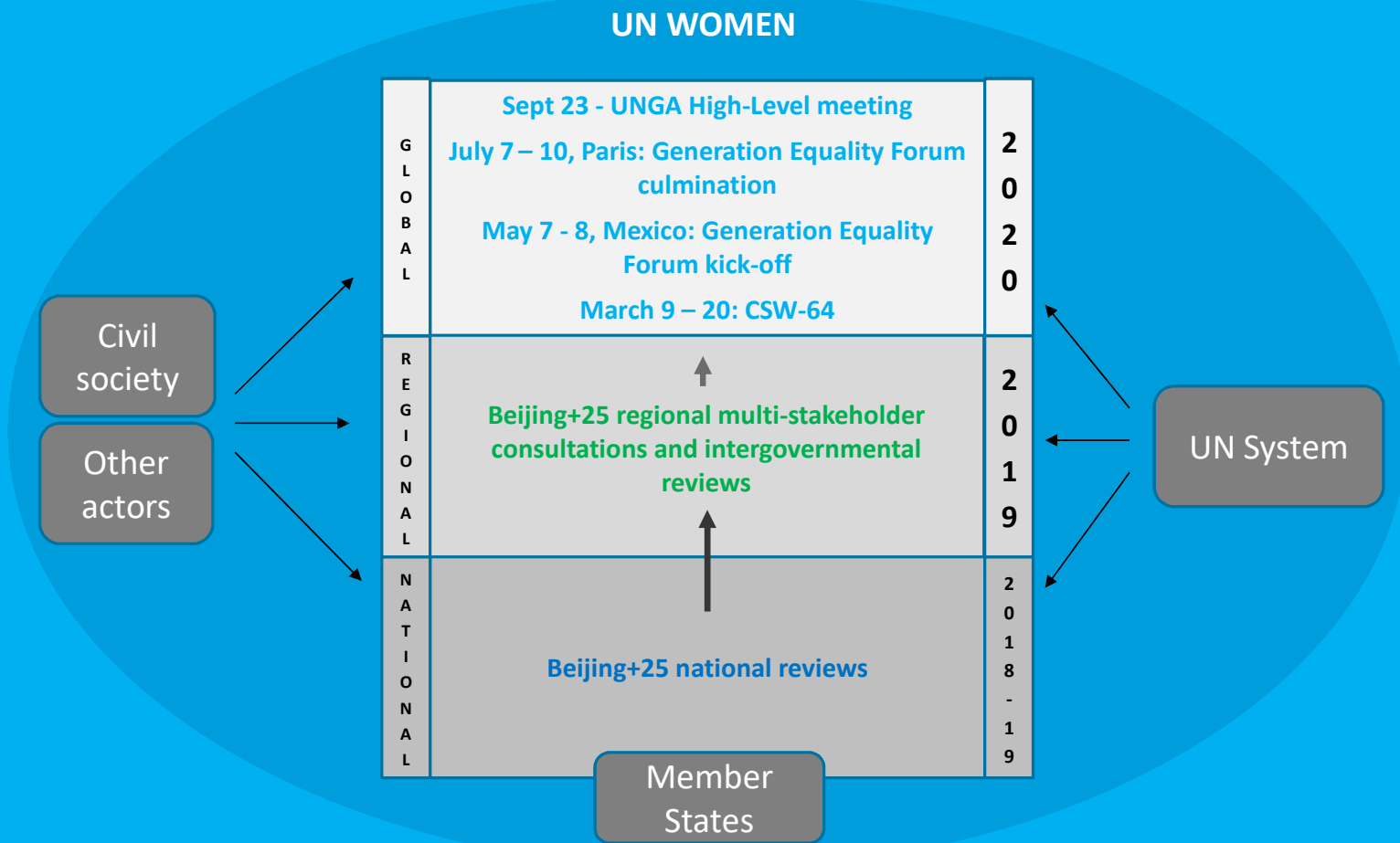
- TED talks, VR/gaming, digital safe spaces, marches, art/concerts/festival.
- Working groups/brainstorming sessions on key challenges, sharing good practices, highlighting the work of activists, building solidarity and strengthening networks, especially youth mobilization.

Use of technology, social, digital and traditional media to ensure wide reach

- Comprehensive communications, outreach, mobilization strategy for wide impact through traditional media outreach, digital and social media engagement.
- Partnerships with media, technology companies, social media platforms and other partners.



INTER-LINKAGES BETWEEN BEIJING+25 AND GENERATION EQUALITY FORUM



Building Momentum



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| Beijing+25 Regional Timeline | | |
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| Regional Commission | Intergovernmental consultation | Multi-stakeholder consultations |
| ECA – Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | 31 Oct – 1 Nov 2019 | 27-29 Oct 2019 |
| ECE – Geneva, Switzerland | 29-30 Oct 2019 | 28 Oct 2019 |
| ESCAP – Bangkok, Thailand | 27 -29 Nov 2019 | 24-26 Nov 2019 |
| ESCWA- Amman, Jordan | 26-27 Nov 2019 | 28 Nov 2019 |
| ECLAC – Santiago, Chile | 27-31 Jan 2020 | 27-31 January 2020 |

Generation Equality Forum: outcome



Feminist agenda setting Action Coalitions

Voices of women and youth drive the gender equality agenda forward

Immediate actions for implementation:

Action Coalitions set up with funding in the period 2020-2025

2030 deadline
Expiration of gender inequality



**GENERATION
EQUALITY**
REALIZING
WOMEN'S
RIGHTS FOR AN
EQUAL FUTURE

Governance & Management Structure



UN Women's Beijing+ 25 mechanisms for civil society engagement

- Strategic Planning and Leadership Civil Society Group
- Beijing+25 Youth Task Force
- Existing UN Women civil society engagement structures

Workstreams

Overall execution, including agenda setting and satellite sessions

Partnerships and Action Coalitions

Media and Communications (including online platform)

UN System Coordination throughout



Measures of Success



- A new and inclusive model of hybrid partnerships for accelerating the achievement of women's rights and gender equality.
- Civil society provides the core impetus for action on gender equality, contributing to strategic priority-setting and to generating constituency support.
- Private sector actors leverage their capital and provide significant financial support.
- Technology enables broader, diverse and inclusive participation.

The process will include:

- A global public conversation on gender equality and accountability.
- A measurable 5-year work-plan (with concrete actions and investments) to create impact.
- Outcomes will be taken to the General Assembly in 2020.



Generation Equality Forum: Legacy



- Agenda for gender equality set by the women, youth and peoples of the world
- Establishing a new model of mobilizing and inclusion
- Mobilizing “the Movable Middle” for action on gender equality
- Reclaiming the best aspirations of the UN as the people’s agenda for equality, rights, peace and justice
- Generation Equality Forum - when the world “jumped together” to make gender equality a reality