## You are cordially invited to attend CSW60 Side Event

# Time for Action: Women Mobilizing Against Noncommunicable Diseases

Wednesday 23rd March 2016 11.30am - 12.45pm Ex. Press Bar, GA Building, UN HQ

Organised by the Permanent Mission of Ghana to the UN







Cancers, diabetes, heart- and respiratory- diseases are the biggest causes of death and disability worldwide. These noncommunicable diseases (NCDs) challenge development potential and human rights for everyone, but women face additional barriers in preventing and treating them.

Join us to hear from keynote speakers and panellist experts about the urgent need for women to mobilize against NCDs and add your voice to the plenary debate on how to advance the NCD agenda.

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Please note that to attend this event you must hold a UN Grounds Pass or register for a Special Event Ticket.

### Draft Programme

This side event seeks inputs from women's movements and other stakeholders on three questions:

o <u>To mobilize or not</u>: should NCDs be a priority for women's movements?

If so,

- o <u>A compelling story that works for women</u>: What kind of 'NCD narrative' do women need in order to mobilize on NCDs?
- o <u>Inclusive approaches that work for NCDs</u>: how can NCD prevention and control be included in ongoing successful women's movements and agendas? How can we work together best?

#### Format:

Introduction by the Co-Chairs and welcome from WHO representative, followed by short interventions by speakers, a moderated plenary debate with the audience, and concluding remarks by the facilitator and Co-Chairs.

#### Chair:

• H.E. Martha Pobee, Permanent Representative of Ghana to the UN

#### Welcome Remarks:

• Dr Natela Menabde, Executive Director, World Health Organisation

#### Keynote speakers:

- Dr Bente Mikkelsen, Head a.i. GCM/NCD Secretariat, World Health Organisation
- Dr Nana Kuo, Senior Manager, Every Woman Every Child

#### **Facilitator:**

• Dr Veronica Magar, Team Leader, Gender Equity and Human Rights, World Health Organisation

#### **Panellists:**

- Ms Maria Noel Vaeza, Director, UN Women
- Ms Krishanti Dharmaraj, Director for Center for Women's Global Leadership
- Mr Oscar Cabrera, Executive Director, O'Neill Institute for National and Global Health
- Others TBC