

Popy Barua is a participant in the UN World Food Programme's Livelihoods programme, in Cox's Bazar, Bangladesh. Popy started a farming business which enables the Rohingya community to access fresh food from local farmers and traders. Photographer: WFP/Sayed Asif Mahmud.

Women in Crisis Settings transforming gaps into synergies

Welcome to a webinar on how to achieve gender equality and better outcomes for all across the humanitarian, development and peace nexus in the Decade of action.

Date: Monday, 22nd of March, 2021 **Time:** 15:00-16:45 CET (10:00-11:45 EST)

Organized by: The Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (Sida). This is also an official side-event at the 65th Commission of the Status of Women (CSW) sponsored by the Government offices of Sweden and OECD Development Assistance Committee (DAC).

Progress from recent decades is at risk given the challenges the world is currently facing: conflicts and humanitarian crisis, the climate crisis, covid-19, inequality including gender inequality, curtailed democracy and shrinking democratic space. Gender-based violence has increased up to 40% in some contexts. And in 2021 an additional 47 million women and girls risk being pushed into extreme poverty.

There is a need to better understand the linkages between **gender inequality**, **conflict** and fragility in different contexts. Women and girls and their agency, rights and needs are disproportionately affected. To succeed in accelerating our delivery on the 2030 Agenda, the specific challenges and opportunities for gender equality and women's and girls' empowerment in crisis settings need to be a priority.

The Decade of Action offers promises of turning the tide on gender equality and transform promises into action for a more gender equal, inclusive and more sustainable future for all. There is a momentum around emerging evidence on the humanitarian-development-peace nexus in which increased collaboration, coherence and complementarity should be based on shared risk-informed and gender sensitive analysis.

This virtual Development Talks will gather leaders and practitioners from global and local level to learn more about emerging evidence and on how to achieve results. The session will share insights into how the covid-19 pandemic can be an opportunity for igniting change in the Decade of Action, turning our attention to the role of local solutions to reverse the trend in the most challenging of crisis settings, and ensure we leave no one behind.

Welcome to join!

The event will be broadcasted on this livestream.

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Programme

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Moderator: Anders Rönquist, Head of Unit, Multilateral Coordination, Sida

Opening remarks

Carin Jämtin, Director General, Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, Sida

Key note address: Why gender equality matters in the humanitarian, development and peacebuilding nexus - an outlook on emerging evidence and opportunities

Susanna Moorhead, Chair, Development Assistance Committee, OECD

Panel discussion: Promising approaches, emerging evidence and opportunities for increased collaboration and coherence

Ulrika Modéer, Assistant Executive Director, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Valerie Guarnieri, Assistant Executive Director, World Food Programme (WFP) Anita Bhatia, Deputy Executive Director, UN WOMEN

Sharon Chikanya, Regional Adviser, Plan International, Uganda

Alessandro Rossi, Chargé d'Affaires, EU Delegation to the Republic of South Sudan Joachim Beijmo, Country Director, Swedish Embassy DRC

The webinar will include interactive elements and a short break. It's free of charge and registration is open until we go live.

This event contributes towards the global campaign <u>Generation Equality: Realizing</u> women's rights for an equal future and the Global action coalitions that were

developed in response to the call of the UN Secretary General's <u>Decade of Action</u>.





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