You are cordially invited to attend a Side Event at the 61st Commission on the Status of Women organized by the Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the UN and the United Nations Development Programme

Gender-based violence, health and well-being:
Addressing the needs of women and girls living in crisis affected contexts
20 March 2017 from 1:15 to 2:45 PM
Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the UN in New York, 335 E. 45th St.

Gender-based violence has devastating health consequences including injury and death, poor mental health, and vulnerability to HIV. This is particularly true in crisis affected countries such as those in conflict, recovering from disasters, or hosting refugees. In such contexts, vulnerability to gender-based violence is heightened because of the breakdown of security, stressors on the social fabric and family dynamics, and displacement. Consequences are also exacerbated by inadequate services related to health, access to justice, and more. Drawing on lessons from work in different countries, this side-event will explore obstacles and successes in meeting the particular needs of women and girls in crisis affected contexts, including violence prevention and quality services for survivors.

Welcome: Ambassador OH Youngju, Deputy Permanent Representative of the Republic of Korea to the United Nations
Chair: Dr. Mandeep Dhaliwal, Director, HIV, Health, and Development, UNDP
Panel Discussion: Ms. Spoghmai Wardak, Deputy Minister of Women Affairs of Afghanistan
Ms. Gayle Tatsi, Executive Director Office for the Development of Women, Papua New Guinea
Ms. Jocelyn Kelly, Director for Harvard Humanitarian Initiative's (HHI) Women in War Initiative
Ms. Upala Devi, Gender-Based Violence Advisor, UNFPA (discussant)

***Light refreshments will be served***
As space is limited please RSVP by March 16 to natalia.linou@undp.org