

Dear All,

On the occasion of the 63rd session of the Commission on the Status of Women, we are pleased to invite you to a high-level side event on **"Accelerating the Elimination of Harmful Practices to Reap the Demographic Dividend in Africa"** which will take place on Wednesday, 13 March 2019 from 1:20pm – 3:00pm at UNICEF House, Labouisse Hall, New York.



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The event will be attended by heads of delegations, development partners and United Nations agencies and will aim to create a platform for member states and young people to dialogue on commitments and innovative measures to eliminate child, early and forced marriage and female genital mutilation as Africa's contribution to Sustainable Development Goal 5.3 by 2030 and Agenda 2063.

[Please RSVP](#) if you can join us.

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