



THE PERMANENT MISSION OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT TO THE UNITED NATIONS

CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO ATTEND AN EVENT ON THE SIDELINES OF

THE 63RD SESSION OF THE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN (CSW):

Achieving the SDGs through Women's Empowerment

The Kuwait National Development Plan (KNDP) for the period 2015-2020 has established a set of goals and targets to empower women politically, economically and socially. UNDP Kuwait and the UN Women Regional Office for the Arab States have collaborated with the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development and the Kuwait University Women's Research and Studies Center to support a national program to accelerate the implementation of SDG 5 in the State of Kuwait. This project has set in motion longer-term transformative changes that will enable Kuwait to achieve the ambitious goals set under the women's empowerment agenda of the SDGs.

The project focuses on three key areas including:

- 1) Enhancing women's participation in political and public life;
- 2) Promoting women's participation in all economic sectors through increased awareness and application of gender-positive policies;
- 3) Making data available to support elaboration of a comprehensive national plan to address violence against women.

During this event, speakers will shed light on the successful delivery of those outcomes within the context of Kuwait National Development Plan, aligned with the implementation of the SDGs. The event will celebrate achievements in building women's capacity politically and economically, as well as the engagement of private corporations with WEP, strategies around eliminating violence against women (VAW), the first reproductive health survey, and active participation in the Kuwait National Voluntary Report with gender sensitive data and statistics.

DATE:

TUESDAY, 12 MARCH

TIME:

4:45 – 6:00 PM

PLACE:

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PROGRAM

- **Opening Remarks**
H.E. Mariam AlAqeel, Minister of State for Economic Affairs
- **Presentation on Women's Empowerment Policies in the Kuwait National Development Plan**
H.E. Dr. Khaled Mahdi, Secretary-General of the General Secretariat of the Supreme Council for Planning and Development
- **Presentation on the Implementation of SDG 5 in the State of Kuwait**
Dr. Lubna Al-Kazi, Director of the Women's Research and Studies Center, Kuwait University
- **Q&A**