



Federal Democratic
Republic of Ethiopia



Government Offices of Sweden



INVITATION TO CSW63 SIDE-EVENT

Changing Social Norms and Delivering Justice

- Towards a "culture of consent" and sustainable infrastructure to combat sexual violence.

TIME: Monday, March 11th, 2019. 1.15 – 2.30 pm.

PLACE: United Nations Headquarters, Ex-Press Bar

HIGH LEVEL PANEL DISCUSSION

The Governments of Sweden and the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia together with UN Women invites you to a panel discussion on **social norms** and **legislation** on **sexual violence**. The panelists will bring different perspectives and experiences of working on social norms as well as "consent-based" sexual violence legislation in providing justice for survivors/victims of sexual violence.

What roles do governments have in changing norms or promoting a culture of consent, and what constitutes effective legislation? Sweden's new sexual offence law and public information campaigns will be discussed. Sex must be an act of free will, otherwise it is illegal. Violence or threats are not pre-requisites for a person to be convicted of, for example, rape.

Keynote Speakers

H.E. Åsa Lindhagen, Minister for Gender Equality, Sweden.

H.E. Yalem Tsegaye, Minister for Women, Children and Youth, Ethiopia.

Panelists

Ms. Purna Sen, Executive Coordinator and Spokesperson on Sexual Harassment and other forms of discrimination. UN Women.

Mr. Ulf Hjerpe, Director of Knowledge Centre, Swedish Crime Victim Compensation and Support Authority.

Mr. Seleshi Tadesse, Director, Women and mobilization and participation enhancement Directorate Ministry of Women and Children (MOWCA). Ethiopia

Moderator

Ms. Lena Ag, Director General, Swedish Gender Equality Agency.