Participation of women from minorities in public life

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The Permanent Missions of the Czech Republic and partners have the honor to invite you to an open side event on the occasion of the 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women.

Panelists:

H.E. Karina Marconi
Deputy-Minister for Equal Opportunities, the Plurinational State of Bolivia

H.E. Martina Štěpánková
Deputy-Minister for Human Rights and Equal Opportunities, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic

Ms. Martina Horváthová
Slovo 21, Women’s Roma Group Manushe, Czech Republic

Ms. Yalila Castro and Ms. Barbora Jakobsen
Alternativ til vold (Alternative to Violence), Norway

Ms. Lola Martin Villalba
Inequalities and Social Inclusion Technical Specialist, UNFPA

Moderator:

H.E. Edita Hrdá, Permanent Representative of the Czech Republic to the UN

Women from minorities often face multiple forms of discrimination based on their gender, ethnicity, religion, migrant status, disability, age, or as a result of a violation of their human rights, such as gender-based violence, etc. This fact creates many obstacles which prevent their full participation in public life, civil society activities, economic or political decision making. At the same time participation of women from minorities in decision making processes is necessary for the realization of their human rights and the development of a participatory democracy.

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