MEETING OF THE GROUP OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE AMERICAS
INTER-PARLIAMENTARY FORUM OF THE AMERICAS (FIPA)

“Political Leadership of Women: Action Plan for the Americas”
SANTO DOMINGO, DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
JUNE 30TH AND JULY 1ST, 2011

AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29

Afternoon and evening
Transfer of delegates from the International Airport Las Américas in Santo Domingo to the Hotel Intercontinental V Centenario

THURSDAY, JUNE 30

8:00
Meeting in the lobby of the hotel and transfer to the seat of the Chamber of Deputies

8:30 9:00
Registration of participants in the entrance of the National Assembly

9:00 10:00
Opening Ceremony
1. Welcome from Dr. Abel Martínez
   President of the Chamber of Deputies of the Dominican Republic
2. Greetings from M.P. Randy Hoback
   President of FIPA and Member of Parliament of Canada
3. Greetings from Magda Rodríguez
   President of the Gender and Equity Permanent Commission and Member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Dominican Republic
4. Opening by Linda Machuca
   Member of the National Assembly of Ecuador and Chair of the Group of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas - FIPA

10:00 10:30
Coffee Break

10:30 11:00
PANEL 1 - LEADERSHIP AND POLITICAL EMPOWERMENT
Presentation 1– “An agenda to position ourselves as women politicians”
Dr. Minou Tavarez Miraval
Member of the Chamber of Deputies of the Dominican Republic

11:00 11:30
Presentation 2– “Women’s economic empowerment and the role of Parliamentarians”
Dr. Almas Jiwani
President of UN Women Canada
Panel moderator: Mónica Zalaquett – Deputy of Chile
11:30  12:30  Discussion

12:30  13:30  Return to the hotel and lunch

14:00  14:30  PANEL 2 – LEADERSHIP AND POLITICAL EMPOWERMENT (Second part)
Hotel Intercontinental – meeting room to be confirmed
Presentation 3- “The advance of women’s political leadership and rights in the face of poor access to real equality. Where is the autonomy? A view from the south”
Liz Meléndez
National Coordinator of CLADEM
Peruvian Flora Tristan Women’s Centre - Peru

14:30  15:00  Presentation 4- “Building power: a Woman Politician’s point of view”
Dr. Milagros Ortiz Bosch
Former Vice President of the Dominican Republic, Secretary of State for Education, Professor at Pedro Henríquez Ureña University, and Lawyer
Panel moderator: Norma Esparza – Senator of Mexico

15:00  16:30  Discussion

16:30  17:00  Coffee Break

17:00  17:30  Presentation 5- “Challenges of the women’s agenda: from decreed rights to exercised rights, through political action”
Ms Lourdes Contreras
Executive Director of the Center of Gender Studies – INTEC University
Dominican Republic

17:30  18:00  PANEL 3 – MIGRATION AND AFRO-DESCENDANTS
Presentation 6- “Care and migration: a strategic area of intervention for the development of, and equality in the region”
Ms Mar García
Program Coordinator - UN Women of the Dominican Republic
Panel moderator: Linda Machuca – Member of the National Assembly of Ecuador

18:00  19:30  Discussion

20:30  Welcome Dinner
Folkloric Ballet – Vice Ministerio de Turismo
Trio de Trovadores

FRIDAY, JULY 1

08:30  09:00  PANEL 4 – CHALLENGES REGARDING GENDER EQUALITY AND POLITICAL PARTICIPATION IN THE DEMOCRATIC SYSTEM
Hotel Intercontinental – meeting room to be confirmed

Presentation 7- “Equality and the women’s agenda in legislative power”
Ms María Paula Romo
Coordinator of the Parliamentary Group for Women’s Rights
Member of the National Assembly of Ecuador

09:00 09:30 Presentation 8- “Dimensions to consider in a strategy aimed at empowering women with a political career”
Ms Evangelina García Prince
Former Senator and former Minister of State of Venezuela
Panel moderator: Magda Rodríguez – Deputy of the Dominican Republic

09:30 11:00 Discussion
11:00 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 12:30 PANEL 5 – THE SITUATION OF WOMEN POLITICIANS IN THE CARIBBEAN
Presentation 9- “The difficulties to be overcome to increase the participation of women in political activities in Haiti, in an unstable socio-economic context”
Ms. Edmonde Beauzile
Senator of Haiti
Moderator of the round-table: “The Haitian experience in the recent elections: the case of women politicians”
Haitian parliamentarians

12:30 13:00 Discussion – delegates and Haitian parliamentarians
13:00 14:00 Lunch
14:00 15:30 Conclusions, final document, and commitments
15:30 Guided city tour