



**MEETING OF THE GROUP OF WOMEN PARLIAMENTARIANS OF THE AMERICAS
INTER-PARLIAMENTARY FORUM OF THE AMERICAS**

“WOMEN IN POWER: CHALLENGES FOR THE 21ST CENTURY”

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF ECUADOR
QUITO, ECUADOR
AUGUST 11-12, 2010**

A G E N D A

TUESDAY, AUGUST 10

Afternoon & Evening Transfer of delegates from the Quito Mariscal Sucre International Airport to Hotel Swissôtel

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11

8:20am Meeting in the lobby of Hotel Swissôtel and transfer to the Headquarters of the National Assembly

9:00am 10:30am **Opening Ceremony**
Plenary Chamber of the National Assembly of Ecuador

- **Rafael Correa Delgado**
Constitutional President of the Republic of Ecuador
- **Fernando Cordero Cueva**
President of the National Assembly of Ecuador
- **Céline Hervieux-Payette**
Senator of Canada and Member of the Executive Committee of the Inter-Parliamentary Forum of the Americas (FIPA)
- **Silvia Vega**
National Program Coordinator, United Nations Development Funds for Women (UNIFEM) – Andean Region
- **Linda Machuca Moscoso**
Member of the National Assembly of Ecuador and Chair of the Group of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas

10:30am 11am Registration of participants and distribution of documents



11am	11:30am	Presentation of the methodology for the event and establishment of the Committee in charge of drafting the Final Declaration Salón de los Presidentes (Coffee break)
11:30am	12:30pm	Session 1: Presentation – The Situation of Women’s Rights in the Hemisphere: A Critical Look at National Legislations Salón de los Presidentes <i>Moderator: Gladys Sofía Azcona, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Dominican Republic)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Dr. Roxana Arroyo, Researcher at the United Nations Latin American Institute for the Prevention of Crime and Treatment of Offenders (ILANUD) & Associate Professor, Latin American Faculty of Social Sciences (FLASCO)▪ Question and answer period
12:30pm	1pm	Discussion
1pm	2:15pm	Lunch Dining room, second floor
2:15pm	3:30pm	Session 2: Panel – Women, Politics and Diversity Salón de los Presidentes <i>Moderator: Nivea Velez, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Aluki Rojas, Deputy Minister for Inter-Governmental Affairs, Government of the Territory of Nunavut (Canada)▪ Angela Guimarães, Counselor, National Youth Council (Brazil)▪ Otilia Lux, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Guatemala)▪ Question and answer period
3:30pm	4pm	Discussion
4pm	4:45pm	Session 3: Sharing Best Practices – Assessing the Application of Positive Actions to Improve Women’s Participation: The Cases of Ecuador and Bolivia Salón de los Presidentes <i>Moderator: Rosana Alvarado, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Anunziatta Valdéz, President of the Foundation Equity and Development and Regional Sub-Director of Participación Ciudadana (Ecuador)▪ Gina Godoy, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)▪ Marianela Paco Durán, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Bolivia)▪ Question and answer period
4:45pm	5:30pm	Discussion (Coffee break)
5:30pm		Transfer of delegates from the National Assembly of Ecuador to the <i>Museo de la Ciudad</i>



6:00pm 7pm Tour of the museum and art exhibit
Museo de la Ciudad

7pm 8:30pm Cocktail
Museo de la Ciudad

THURSDAY, AUGUST 12

8:20am Meeting in the lobby of Hotel Swissôtel and transfer to the Headquarters of the National Assembly

9am 9:45am **Session 4: Sharing Experiences – Exercising Power: The Experience of a Woman Politician**
Salón del ex Senado
Moderator: María Paula Romo, Member of the National Assembly (Ecuador)

- Enoé Uranga, Member of the Chamber of Deputies (Mexico)
- Question and answer period

9:45am 10:30am Discussion

10:30am 10:45am Coffee break

10:45am 12:00pm **Session 5: Panel – Women in Politics and the Media: A Troubled Relation?**
Salón de los Presidentes
Moderator: Hon. Rosemary Mathurin, Speaker of the House of Assembly (Saint Lucia)

- Introduction – Cecilia Medina, Professor, Faculty of Social Communication, Universidad Central del Ecuador
- Panel – Constructing the Image of Women (speakers TBC)
- Question and answer period

12:00pm 12:45pm Discussion

12:45pm 1:45pm **Reading and signature of the Final Declaration
Challenges of the Group of Women Parliamentarians & Next Steps
Closing**

- Linda Machuca Moscoso, President of the Group of Women Parliamentarians of the Americas

1:45pm 3:15pm Lunch
Dining room, Second floor

3:30pm 6:30pm Tour of the Historical Downtown



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