







On the occasion of the 60th session of the Commission on the status of Women

The Ministry of Solidarity, Women, Family and Social Development,

The Union For Mediterranean & UN WOMEN

Invite you to attend

"Enhancing laws implementation to end violence against women in the Mediterranean region, Morocco's experience"

Monday, 14 March 2016/11:30AM-12:45 PM

Conference Room 9

UN Headquarters, New York

Speakers

- Mrs Bassima Hakkaoui, Minister of Solidarity, Women, Family and Social Development;
- Mr. Mohammad Naciri, regional director of UN WOMEN Arab States;
- Mrs Delphine Borione, Deputy Secretary General for Social and Civil Affairs in the Secretariat of the Union for the Mediterranean:
- Mrs Mervat Tallawy, General Director of Arab Women Organization;
- Mr. Jamal Chahdi: Coordinator of the National Observatory on Violence against Women;
- Mrs Farida El Khamlichi, President of the National Commission of International Humanitarian Law.

Background

Every year around the world, violence against women devastates the lives of millions of women. Even when laws exist, this does not mean they are always compliant with international and regional commitments or well implemented.

Morocco is one among the Mediterranean countries that have effectively created, particularly over the last decade, an enabling legislative and institutional environment for promoting gender equality and women empowerment.

The Moroccan experience presents a new generation of political, social and economic reforms, which has earned the country its distinctive sub-regional and regional status as a country that advances on the path of consolidating democracy in all its manifestations. This unwavering reformist drive has been instrumental in reaching, general national consensus on the provisions of the new Constitution in 2011 which are informed by the principles of human rights and the rule of law, including the obligation to promote women's rights and providing all institutional and legislative guarantees to reach this end.

The speakers will share challenges and experiences related to the theme of this high level panel.

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