Events

**UN Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) 56th session**
*When:* Feb 27 - Mar 9  
*Where:* UN Headquarters  
New York

See website for full list of events, speakers, panels, side events and more.

**The 2012 Women's Economic Opportunity Index Launch: Engaging Women in the Workforce – An Economic and Business Imperative**
*When:* Tues, March 6 | 5:30pm-7:30pm  
*Where:* Vital Voices Global Partnership, Suite 300  
1625 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

A study by the Economist Intelligence Unit, Women's Economic Opportunity 2012 presents this year’s global economic landscape facing women and analyzes laws, practices and attitudes that affect women workers and entrepreneurs, and points to key steps to improve opportunities and economic performance worldwide. More info.

**Women and Children at Risk**
*When:* Tues, March 6 | 6:00pm  
*Where:* GW’s Jack Morton Auditorium  
805 21st St, NW

How can journalists, writers, and public interest groups best shed light on issues facing women and children around the world while remaining sensitive to individual needs and concerns? More info.

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International Women's Day 2012 at the Elliott School

In honor of International Women's Day the [Global Gender Program](http://us2.campaign-archive1.com/?u=7b2632136230b212de30b9018&... is hosting a series of lectures and panels on women in peacemaking, peace, and war; women's empowerment in the Middle East; and women in U.S. foreign policy. Please join us to celebrate this important day and engage with experts on critical issues facing
International Women's Day Celebration and Technical Exchange Plenary Meeting

When: Wed, March 7 | 8:30am-11:00am
Where: The International Student House
1825 R St, NW

Join the Interagency Gender Working Group (IGWG) for a series of events starting with a light breakfast/meet & greet, followed by the launch of a new multimedia presentation on family planning and gender equality, and finishing with brief reports from IGWG members on innovative work focusing on gender and reproductive health issues. If you would like to attend the plenary, please RSVP to Emily Sullivan at esullivan@prb.org by March 3.

Status of Women and Human Rights in Afghanistan

When: Wed, March 7 | 12:00pm
Where: Bloomberg Room, The National Press Club
529 14th St, NW

Sima Samar, an outspoken advocate for women's rights, will address the issues faced by Afghan women and human rights situation in Afghanistan especially with international forces including U.S. announcing their imminent departure.

More info.

The Bottom Line: How Big Business is Empowering Women & Girls Around the World

When: Wed, March 7 | 6:00pm-8:30pm
Where: The National Press Club
529 14th St, NW

Panelists include Darlene Daggett, former CEO of QVC and now an impact investor heading Ikatu International; Mary Ellen Iskenderian, CEO of Women's World Banking; Charlotte Oades, Global Director of Women's Economic Empowerment, The Coca-Cola Company; and Jackie VanderBrug, Managing Director, Criterion Ventures and Women Effect Investment. More info.

Film Screening: Pray the Devil Back to Hell

When: Wed, March 7 | 7:30pm
Where: The Renaissance Hotel
999 9th St, NW

Pray the Devil Back to Hell is the astonishing and inspiring story of a group of Liberian women who united to take on Liberia's violent dictator and warlords during their country's brutal civil war. The film will be followed by a dynamic
Paula Kerger, and CARE President and CEO Helene Gayle, where they will discuss the role that women have in changing our world. More info.

**Women, Innovation and Aerospace**
*When:* Thurs, March 8 | 9:00am-3:00pm  
*Where:* Jack Morton Auditorium and Marvin Center, 805 21st St, NW

To celebrate Women’s History Month, the day-long event will help to foster a discussion for students and early career professionals about how to continue to encourage women to enter and succeed in the field of aerospace. More info.

**A Woman’s Work: Gender and the World of Work**
*When:* Thurs, March 8 | 10:30am–12:00pm  
*Where:* Center for American Progress, 10th floor, 1333 H St, NW

In connection with International Women’s Day, please join the Just Jobs Network and the Norwegian Ministry of Trade and Industry for a conversation on women in the workforce. RSVP. For more information, call 202-682-1611.

**International Women's Day Celebration**
*When:* Thurs, March 8 | 6:00pm-8:00pm  
*Where:* The Ambassador’s Residence, 2324 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

To honor female ambassadors from all over the world in recognition of their contributions to the advancement of global trade relations. More info.

**Gender Equality => Healthy Women, Healthy Children!**
*When:* Fri, March 9 | 10:30am-12:30pm  
*Where:* PAHO Headquarters, Room A, 525 23rd St, NW


**Women’s Empowerment: The State of Affairs at the 101st International Women’s Day**
*When:* Mon, March 12 | 12:00pm-1:30pm  
*Where:* Millennium Challenge Corporation, Second Floor
Speakers: Karen Sherman, Executive Director of Global Programs, Women for Women International; Alyse Nelson, President and CEO, Vital Voices Global Partnership; Gina Reiss-Wilchins, Director, Girl Up, United Nations Foundation; and Ambassador Melanne Verveer, Ambassador-At-Large for Global Women’s Issues, U.S. Department of State (invited).

**Women Leaders at the Forefront of Change in the DRC**
*When:* Tues, March 13 | 10:30am-12:00pm  
*Where:* Vital Voices Global Partnership, 3rd Floor  
1625 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

A roundtable discussion featuring Chouchou Namegabe-Dubuisson and Annie Rashidi-Mulumbu. [More info.](#)

**The Global Health Initiative, Gender, and Integration: How GHI is Meeting the Broader Health Needs of Women and Girls**
*When:* Tues, Mar 13 | 1:00pm-3:00pm  
*Where:* CSIS, B1 Conference Room  
1800 K St, NW

Please join us for an event to explore how the GHI approach on gender is meeting the broader health needs of women and girls. The keynote address will be followed by a panel discussion on GHI implementation of gender programing at the country level, including access to essential health services and linkages between HIV/AIDS and family planning/reproductive health. [More info.](#)

**International Women’s Day Luncheon**
*When:* Wed, March 14 | 12pm - 2pm  
*Where:* The Omni Shoreham  
2500 Calvert St

The UN Foundation and Women's Foreign Policy group will hosts its annual International Women's Day luncheon featuring the director general of UNESCO and the secretary-general of UN Women. Tickets are $55. For advance registration, click [here.](#)

**Assisted Reproductive Technologies and Cross Border Perspectives on Developing Donor Registries**
*When:* Thurs, March 15 | 11:30am - 1:00pm  
*Where:* Georgetown University Law Center
This presentation and panel discussion will explore a number of questions focused on Assisted Reproduction and the people who contribute their own gametes to enable contraception for others. More info.

Opportunities

Call For Applications: Women’s Rights And Sustainable Livelihoods
Who: ActionAid
Deadline: March 8

ActionAid will implement a project that aims to build sustainable livelihoods for women smallholder farmers in Ghana and Rwanda. ActionAid is looking for a dynamic project manager with considerable experience working with rural women’s organisations in Africa. More info.

Legal Internship Positions (Spring & Summer 2012)
Who: The Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice
Where: The Hague, the Netherlands
Closing date: March 16 (Spring internship), March 30 (summer internship)

The Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice is seeking law or graduate students with a strong background in international law and strong legal research skills, and a good knowledge of the International Criminal Court (ICC), for Spring and Summer 2012 legal internships. More info.

Women’s Protection and Empowerment (WPE)
Senior Technical Advisor
Who: International Rescue Committee
Where: New York

The strategic priorities currently include, but are not limited to: GBV information management, caring for child survivors, economic and social empowerment for women and girls. This position will utilize different methods to pilot, evaluate, develop and disseminate technical resources and learning to WPE Technical Advisors and the field programs. More info.

Senior Gender Advisor
Who: Futures Group
Where: Washington, DC, or North Carolina
Futures Group is seeking a Senior Gender Advisor who will provide leadership, direction, and content to gender programs including gender equity, gender-based violence, male engagement in reproductive health and HIV, and programs for women and girls. More info.

**Women Deliver: Vote to determine the top 50 inspiring ideas and solutions that deliver for girls and women**

Out of hundreds of submissions, a selection committee of experts and advocates from leading global NGOs and foundations chose 25 inspiring idea and solutions that deliver for girls and women. Voters may choose their 10 favorites per category. More info. Go to the Women Deliver Facebook Page and vote for your top pick.

**Consultant**

*Who:* Lutheran World Relief

The project, Learning for Gender Integration (LGI) includes three phases as part of an organization-wide initiative to improve our understanding and application of gender sensitive programming in our domestic and international work. Email Whitney Kippes at wkippes@lwr.org for Terms of Reference.

**Resources**

**Media Statement: WHO Announcement on HIV and Injectable Contraception a Responsible Step**

*Forward*  
(WHO) announced the results of a technical consultation examining the potential link between hormonal contraception and HIV risk. On the advice of its Guidelines Review Committee, WHO concluded that current medical eligibility criteria recommendations should remain—that women at high risk of HIV infection can continue to use all existing hormonal contraceptive methods (oral contraceptives, injectables, patches, rings, and implants) without restriction. More info.

**Brookings "Women in Development" Videos**

The Brookings Global Economy and Development Program has put together short videos on the theme of "Women in Development" in honor of International Women's Day. One video will be posted a day until March 8th (videos).

**Women In Politics 2012 Report**

The Women in Politics 2012 report, produced by UN Women in conjunction with the Inter-Parliamentary Union (IPU),
Book notes

**Hypersexuality and Headscarves: Race, Sex, and Citizenship in the New Germany**
*By Damani J. Partridge*
Focuses on controversies over Muslim students and teachers wearing headscarves: images of hypersexualized black bodies in the German media; and the situation of Vietnamese guest workers in what was East Germany.

**Families Apart: Migrant Mothers and the Conflicts of Labor and Love**
*By Geraldine Pratt*
Draws on fieldwork in Vancouver in a study of what family separation means for Filipina women working as domestic labor in Canada.

**Women in Iraq: Past Meets Present**
*By Noga Efrati*
A social and political history of Iraqi women during the periods of British occupation and the British-backed Hashemite monarch (1917 - 1958), with some discussion of post-Sadam Iraq.

**Women's Movements and the Filipina**
*By Mina Rocess*
A study of how women's organizations have refashioned the image of the Filipina woman.

**People's Pornography: Sex and Surveillance on the Chinese Internet**
*By Katrien Jacobs*
A study of sexual and civil rebellion among Chinese "netizens," both on the mainland and the looser cyberculture of Hong Kong.

**Pink and Blue: Telling the Boys From the Girls in America**
*By Jo B. Paoletti*
Documents shifts in color as a marker of gender in children's clothes since the 19th century.

**Troubling Sex: Towards a Legal Theory of Sexual Integrity**
*By Elaine Craig*
Combines feminist and queer theory in a study of the