

UN Commission on the Status of Women 12-23 March 2018

A curated schedule of events on the review theme “Participation in and access of women to the media”

The 62nd session of the [Commission on the Status of Women](#) (CSW) will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 12 to 23 March 2018. This year, the review theme is “*Participation in and access of women to the media, and information and communications technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women,*” a review theme from the conclusions of the 47th session of the CSW in 2003.

The following is a **curated schedule** of both UN side events as well as parallel events taking place as part of the [NGO CSW Forum](#) related to the review theme, which will be of particular interest to the free expression community.

A number of IFEX members are hosting and participating in sessions including the Committee to Protect Journalists, International Federation of Journalists, Karisma and Reporters Without Borders, so be sure to check out these events and promote them among your networks.

*Sessions sponsored or co-sponsored by IFEX members are marked with **

Note: Since times and venues may change, please check the official websites frequently

- Calendar of UN Side events: <http://www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw62-2018/side-events/calendar-of-side-events>
- Calendar of NGO CSW Forum events: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1S1ZoLunoFRYZyE191O-JA8eEFGy41guVIJPr9lzBQ4/edit?ts=5a872527#gid=0>

If you know of an event that is not listed here but should be, please let us know at [campaigns\[at\]ifex.org](mailto:campaigns[at]ifex.org)

MONDAY 12 MARCH 2018

The Role of Media in Promoting Women's Rights to Freedom of Religion and Expression

8:30am

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Salvation Army

Sponsor: NGO Committee on Freedom of Religion or Belief

Women as Subjects, Consumers and Thought Leaders of Media

4:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: 4 W 43rd Street

Sponsor: Sigma Theta Tau International, Inc.

TUESDAY 13 MARCH 2018**Women and Media**

11:30am-12:45pm

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: Conference Room 1 - Conference BuildingSponsor: Mexico**Women/Girls and Media: Power, Storytelling and #MeToo**

2:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: 4 W 43rd StreetSponsor: Pathways to PeaceCo-Sponsor: The Representation Project, GWEN Network, Heart Ambassadors**Violence Against Women Journalists**

4:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: The Armenian Convention Center, Vantar Hall.Sponsors: International Network of Journalists with a Gender Perspective & GAMAG**Violencia Contra Mujeres Periodistas**

4:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Armenian Convention CenterSponsors: Red Internacional De Periodistas Con Visión De Género (RIPVG)Co-Sponsor: Comunicación e Información de la Mujer, A.C. (CIMAC), Red Nacional de Periodistas de México (RNP), GAMAG**WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH 2018****Violence Against Women Journalists Online and Offline: Violence against women in media and digital contents; and gender and media & ICT policy**

9:30am

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: UN Headquarters, Conference Room 11Sponsors: Mexican government & GAMAG**Dangerous Assignments: Safety of Women Journalists***

10:00am -11:15am

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: UN HeadquartersSponsors: Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ), Reporters Without Borders (RSF), Article19, and International Women's Media Foundation (IWMF) as well as the Permanent Missions of France, Greece and Lithuania to the UN on behalf of the Group of Friends for the Protection of Journalists. Participation by Karisma.Contact: bsantawood[at]cpj.org

Media and Information Technologies: A Double-edged Sword for Women's Advancement*

4:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Salvation ArmySponsor: Reporters Without Borders (RSF)Co-Sponsor: Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ), International Women's Media Foundation (IWMF)**Challenging Impunity and GBV against Women Journalists and Media Workers***

6:15pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Armenian Convention CenterSponsor: International Federation of Journalists**THURSDAY 15 MARCH 2018****Freedom of Communication and Gender Equality**

10:00am

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: UN Headquarters Room CR 12, GA BuildingSponsors: Morocco Permanent Mission to the UN & the inter-network platform for African regulators (RIARC), Mediterranean (RIRM) and French-speaking media regulatory authorities (REFRAM) & GAMAG**The Role of Media in Advancing Gender Equality**

10:30am

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United NationsSponsor: Baha'i International Community**Gender and Media: Policy dimensions and a research agenda**

6:15pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Salvation Army Auditorium.Sponsors: Global Alliance for Media and Gender (GAMAG) and the International Association for Media and Communication Research (IAMCR)**FRIDAY 16 MARCH 2018****Women in Media and #MeToo**

11:30am-12:45pm

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: ECOSOC Chamber – Conference BuildingSponsors: Norway, UN Women and The Guardian

Contact: annemarta.mugaas[at]mfa.no

Media Space and Women Journalists as Human Rights Defenders

8:30am

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United NationsSponsor: World Federation of Ukrainian Women's OrganizationsCo-Sponsor: ICW**Innovating Use of the Media for Rural Women and Girls**

2:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: The Armenian Convention CenterSponsor: Pacific Rim Institute for Development EducationCo-Sponsor: NAWO, EBBF, Rozaria Memorial Trust, ADVANCE, Mothers Union, Justina Mutale Foundation, Practical Action, ODI**Making the Media Female: Action to Make the Face and Feeling of the Media Female**

4:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Salvation ArmySponsor: National Alliance of Women's OrganisationsCo-Sponsor: WAGGGS, Mothers Union, WYWCA, Justina Mutale Foundation, SIGBI ADVANCE, EBBF and Women in Journalism**MONDAY 19 MARCH 2018****Representation of Women in the Media**

4:45pm – 6:00pm

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: Conference Room D - Conference BuildingSponsors: United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland in collaboration with international civil society organisations and experts

Contact: aaron.holtz[at]fco.gov.uk

TUESDAY 20 MARCH 2018**The Anatomy of Technology-Related Violence against Women***

4:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United NationsSponsor: ARTICLE 19**The Role of HR Education and of the Media for Ensuring Access to Justice for Women**

6:15pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United NationsSponsor: Bulgarian Gender Research FoundationCo-Sponsor: Alliance for Protection from Gender-based violence, Advocates for Human Rights from Minnesota

WEDNESDAY 21 MARCH 2018**Utilizing Media as a Tool to Empower Women**

2:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United NationsSponsor: National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc.**THURSDAY 22 MARCH 2018****Focus on Section J: Taking stock, looking forward**

8:30am

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United Nations, Second Floor.Sponsor: World Association for Christian Communication (WACC)Co-Sponsor: Global Media Monitoring Project (GMMP) Network, Global Alliance for Media and Gender (GAMAG)**Safe Journalists, Strong Democracies: How on and offline attacks on women journalists are hurting us all**

10:00-11:15am

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: Conference Room 12 - GA BuildingSponsors: The Netherlands, Sweden, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) –GAMAG as panellistMandatory RSVP by March 17

Contact: d.kouta-lopatey[at]unesco.org

Advancing Women's Access to Information: Obstacles and the Way Forward

10:30am

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Salvation ArmySponsor: The Carter Center**Fundamentalismos en América Latina: Desafíos para una Comunicación Feminista**

2:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Salvation ArmySponsor: Asociación Civil Comunicación Para La IgualdadCo-Sponsor: Red PAR (Argentina), Alianza Global de Medios y Género (GAMAG) Capítulo América Latina, Articulación Feminista Marcosur

FRIDAY 23 MARCH 2018**Media Agenda: An analysis and key findings of the 2018 GAMAG position papers**

10.00am – 11:15 am

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: Headquarters Conference Room 12Sponsors: United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO),
IPDC & GAMAGMandatory RSVP by March 18

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Community Media Broadcasters: Building Capacities for Amplifying Voices of rural women

11:30am -12:45pm

UN SIDE EVENT

Location: Conference Room 12 - GA BuildingSponsors: United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI) in partnership with
International Association of Women in Radio and Television*No more reservations available***Break the Silence! MENA Media Platforms Negate Women's Narratives**

2:30pm

PARALLEL EVENT

Location: Church Center for the United NationsSponsor: Nazra For Feminist StudiesCo-Sponsor: The Regional Coalition for Women Human Rights Defenders in the Middle East
and North Africa, Wlaha Wogoh Okhra