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Program for the Policy Dialogue on the Rationale/Need for Mainstreaming the Gender Variable into Social/Public Policymaking

Date: Tuesday 21st May 2024:

Time: 01:00-05:00PM

Venue: School of Public Health Building Auditorium [Opposite the Estate and Works Directorate, Makerere University, Eastern Gate]

Overview. The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development calls for a new and transformative vision. It establishes a set of 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) which are integrated and indivisible, with gender equality as a central priority. Gender equality and women's empowerment are, addressed as explicit priorities through the stand-alone Goal 5 and by mainstreaming gender equality across the SDGs. In recognizing multi-dimensional inequality within and between countries, the 2030 Agenda is a commitment to "leaving no one behind".

Africa's Agenda 2063 has the following aspirations: (i) A prosperous Africa based on inclusive growth and sustainable development, (ii) An integrated continent, politically united and based on the ideals of Pan-Africanism and the vision of Africa's Renaissance, (iii) An Africa of good governance, democracy, respect for human rights, justice and the rule of law, (iv) A peaceful and secure Africa, (v) An Africa with a strong cultural identity, common heritage, shared values and ethics, (vi) **An Africa whose development is people-driven, relying on the potential of African people, especially its women and youth, and caring for children**, (vii) Africa as a strong, united and influential global player and partner.

Gender and SDGs. Sustainable Development Goal 5 aims to achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls. Gender equality is a human right. **It is also a precondition for realizing all goals in the 2030 Sustainable Development Agenda.** Although girls and boys on average face similar challenges in early childhood, gender disparities become, more pronounced as children grow. Adolescent girls, due to expected gender roles, may face a disproportionate

burden of domestic work, expectations to be married, risks of early pregnancy, as well as sexual and gender-based violence.

Gender mainstreaming has, been embraced internationally as a strategy towards realizing gender equality. It involves the integration of a gender perspective into the preparation, design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation of policies, regulatory measures and spending programmes, with a view to promoting equality between women and men, and combating discrimination.

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#	Time	Activity	Responsible Person
	01:00-02:00PM	Arrival of Participants	
1	2:00-2:10PM	Singing of Anthems -National Anthem -East African Anthem -Makerere University Anthem	Master of Ceremonies
		Introduction of Guests	Bruno L. Yawe
2	2:10-2:20PM	Welcome Remarks by Principal, COBAMS	Deputy Principal
3	2:21-2:30PM	Welcome Remarks by the Vice Chancellor	Principal
	2:31-2:45PM	Remarks by HE Susan Ngongi- Namondo UN Resident Coordinator	
4	2:45-3:45PM	Key-Note Address by Dr. Muvawala, Executive Director National Planning Authority	Vice Chancellor
5	3:45-4:44PM	First Session of Policy Dialogue: Need for Mainstreaming the Gender Variable for Social/Public Policymaking Panelists 1. Dr. Muvawala, Executive Director National Planning Authority 2. Hon. Safia Nalule, Equal Opportunities Commission 3. Assoc. Prof. Sarah Ssali, School of Women and Gender Studies	Master of Ceremonies
6	04:45-05:00PM	Plenary	Master of Ceremonies

#	Time	Activity	Responsible Person
7	05:00-05:30PM	<p>Second Session of Policy Dialogue: Gender-Based Violence</p> <p>Panelists</p> <p>1. Dr. Jamela B. Hoveni, Institute for Economic Justice, South Africa.</p> <p>2. Ms. Elizabeth Kemigisha, Advocacy Manager, FIDA Uganda.</p> <p>3. Ms. Essie Adeke, Deputy Commissioner, Child and Family Protection Unit, Uganda Police Force.</p>	Master of Ceremonies
	05:01:-05:10PM	Plenary	Master of Ceremonies
8	05:11-05:15	Closing Remarks by UWOPA [Hon. Sarah Opendi]	Master of Ceremonies
	05:15-onwards	Tea/Coffee and Social Networking	