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International Processes
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**Commission on the Status of
Women – March 14-24 in NY**

About the CSW

- = The principal global intergovernmental body exclusively dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and the empowerment of women since
- = consisting of 45 members
- = a leading role in monitoring and reviewing progress and problems in the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action
- = mainstreaming a gender perspective in UN activities

About the CSW proces

- = Negotiations take place from Jan-March on the draft Agreed Conclusions & the Multi-Year Program of Work (MYPOW) 2017-2019 between Member States
- = Negotiations end in March during CSW in NY

Role of NGOs

- = Give input on zero draft and MYPow towards government delegations
 - Present Dutch Civil Society Priorities towards Dutch delegation
- = Presence in NY during negotiations – coordination
WO=MEN, Atria and NVR
- = NGO/CSO forum – parallel events during the CSW

CSW60: theme

- = Priority theme: Women's empowerment and the link to sustainable development
- = Review theme: The elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls (agreed conclusions from the fifty-seventh session)

Zero draft CSW

- = Language needs to be consistent and inclusive
- = Very important 'gender equality, human rights and the empowerment of all women and girls' is included in the document
- = Reference to male involvement/role of men and boys
- = Reference to SRHR
- = And many other key terms...

MYPOW 2017-2019

- = Multi-Year Programme of Work (MYPOW)
- = Determines how CSW will function in coming years & what will be discussed...
- = Determines possibilities for Civil society participation
- = Last year's (CSW59) agreed conclusion guaranteed CSO participation without restrictions

Two-pager NGO/CSO CSW60

- = Focus on Reaffirmation of previous conventions, agreements, Beijing Platform for Action...
- = Dutch CSOs decided to focus within SDGs on:
 - = Climate
 - = Migration

See Facebook WO=MEN for pictures



New proces NGO/CSO

=Through Parliament...

=AO Emancipation Feb 10 – minister Bussemaker

=AO Inclusive development in development cooperation
March 9 – minister Ploumen

Challenges

- =CSW59 experienced a setback. Mainly because the link between gender equality and human rights was not reflected in the Political Declaration
- =Unholy Alliance (Russia, Qatar, Iran) but now also China
- =The Netherlands being chair of EU, can't be as progressive

Questions?



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