Ensuring Equal Cultural Rights for Women and Girls

Discussion over the report presented by the UN Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights

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Friday, 2 November 2012
Conference room E, North Lawn Building, UN Headquarters
1:15 to 2:45 pm

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Panellists (7 minutes presentations):

♦ Ms. Lakshmi Puri, Deputy Executive Director, UN Women programmes
  *Opening remarks*

♦ Ms. Farida Shaheed, UN Special Rapporteur in the field of cultural rights
  *Introduction*

♦ Ms. Radhika Balakrishnan, Executive Director of the Center for Global Leadership and Professor of Women’s and Gender Studies; Head of the Women’s Center, Rutgers University
  *Undertaking further research on practices that can catalyse transformative equality*

  *Case study of a successful intervention to end FGM*

♦ Dr. Marsha Freeman, Director, International Women’s Rights Action Watch, University of Minnesota Human Rights Center; Adjunct Professor, University of Minnesota Law School
  *Addressing the issue before the UN human rights machinery*

Moderator: Ms. Charlotte Bunch, Founding Director and Senior scholar at the Center for Women’s Global Leadership and Distinguished Professor in Women’s and Gender Studies, Rutgers University

The Panel will be followed by questions and answers.

The report of the Special Rapporteur on the enjoyment of cultural rights by women on an equal basis with men (A/67/287) is available in all United Nations languages at:
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/SP/Pages/GA67session.aspx

For more information about the work of the Special Rapporteur, please see:
http://www.ohchr.org/EN/Issues/CulturalRights/Pages/SRCulturalRightsIndex.aspx