



On the occasion of the 59th session of the Commission on the Status of Women

The Permanent Mission of Australia to the United Nations
in association with
Women's Services Network (WESNET)

invite you to attend

Preventing Violence Against Women and Girls in the Digital and Technological Age

**Tuesday 10 March 2015, from 1.15pm to 2.30pm
Conference Room 7
UN Headquarters, New York**

This side event will explore the intersection between technology and gender-based violence against women and girls, highlighting a trending issue across the globe. The panel will promote the use of technology as a safety and empowerment tool for women and girls, and discuss how technology can be used to gather evidence for police and courts. This side event will also contribute to understanding and preventing violence against women, one of the core focus areas of the Beijing Platform of Action.

Remarks by:

Senator the Hon. Michaelia Cash, Minister Assisting the Prime Minister for Women, Australia

Natasha Stott Despoja, Australia's Ambassador for Women and Girls

Julie Oberin, Women's Services Network (WESNET), Australian Women Against Violence Alliance, Australia

Cindy Southworth, National Network to End Domestic Violence, USA

Bandana Rana, Executive Chair, Saathi, Nepal

Concept note and agenda to follow.

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