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**BUILDING GENDER JUST
SOCIETIES THROUGH
INTERGENERATIONAL
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**UN CSW65 Parallel Event
with Key Note Speech by Asa Regner,
UN Women Deputy Executive Director**



**GENERATION
EQUALITY**

**REALIZING
WOMEN'S
RIGHTS FOR AN
EQUAL FUTURE**

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The main challenges facing our societies today – from climate change to demographic change and globalisation– demand intergenerational solidarity. This solidarity should be based on a wide-ranging pact not just between generations, but between genders and people of all backgrounds who must look to the future with renewed confidence. It has been more than 25 years since the adoption of the most visionary agenda for the empowerment of women and girls called the Beijing Declaration. Moreover, we stand only 9 years before the milestone towards achieving the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals dedicating SDG 5 to achieving gender equality and empowering all women and girls. And yet, no single country has achieved gender equality. The experiences we made during what has probably been one of the most challenging year with the breakout of the pandemic offers a pivotal moment for the realization of gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls.

Therefore, UN Women Germany, PES Women, the Foundation for European Progressive Studies and Fondation Jean Jaurès join forces to discuss gender equality from a life-cycle and intersectional perspective, foster dialogue between women across generations and solidarity between feminists of all ages in an era where safeguarding and strengthening the accomplished rights are currently undermined.

WELCOME

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OPENING REMARKS

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UN Women Germany President

KEYNOTE SPEECH

ASA REGNER

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CONCLUDING REMARKS

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