



PROGRAMME 2.0

Know the GAP Lecture Series

Talking Gender, Equality and Diversity

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Wednesday, May 6



The untapped potential of gender equality in the water realm



Mr Laurens Thuy
Gender & Communication Consultant
UNESCO World Water Assessment Programme

This lecture explores the intrinsic connection between water and gender, and gives insight into how it is crucial for sustainable development, thereby touching upon the aspect of health and Covid19. It provides an introduction to the UNESCO WWAP 'Water and Gender Toolkit', that offers - with its 105 gender-responsive indicators - a methodology for the collection of scarce but much-needed sex-disaggregated data from the field, on a wide range of related topics.



Podcast

Wednesday, May 13



Progress in and challenges to the rights of women to non-discrimination and gender equality



Dr Patricia Schulz
Former Director of the Federal Office for Gender Equality (FOGE) and Swiss Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (2011–2018)

The presentation will focus on the international legal framework on women's human rights (including to non discrimination and gender equality) and will link it to the political objectives contained in the UN Sustainable Development Goals adopted in 2015. It will show progress made at national level with the adoption of laws conforming to international human rights standards, mainly the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) and its double requirements of formal and substantive equality. It will illustrate challenges towards the implementation of the principles of non-discrimination and gender equality, including insufficient resources, regressive policies, lack of political will and attacks against women human rights defenders. It will also present the role of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women in defining international standards and supporting a progressive interpretation of women's human rights, based on the CEDAW Convention.



Podcast

Interactive Q&A: Our speakers are available for one week after their presentation date to answer your questions! All your questions can be submitted in German, English, French, and Italian directly to the **Gender Coordinator, Prof. Elisa Fornalé** (elisa.fornale@wti.org)