IAWRT’s participation at UN-CSW62

March 12 – 24, 2018 New York UN Headquarters

IAWRT is joining the #MeToo campaign to bring attention to women and governments around the world in addressing issues of online harassment and violence against women, particularly journalists, and to use this opportunity to publicise IAWRT’s “Safety Training Handbook for Women.”

Having a significant profile at this year’s Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) event, IAWRT will host and participate in 6 side events and parallel events in partnership with various international stakeholders and governments and joining with women from around the world gathering at United Nations Headquarters in New York. Three side event engagements within the UN HQ is directed toward world governments where policy is implemented; while parallel events held nearby are directed toward other participants.

This year’s theme will give IAWRT the opportunity to profile its action-oriented projects, such as safety training, and developing guidelines for media organizations to protect female journalists. IAWRT is calling for the making of industry-wide guidelines on how media organizations should protect their female employees from sexualized and/or gender cyber violence. IAWRT’s main event on March 16th: #METOOONLINE - WORKSHOPPING SOLUTIONS TO COUNTER CYBER VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN, aims to get the development of such guidelines started.

Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) will take place from 12-24 March 2018 at the United Nations, New York, USA

- **Priority theme:** Challenges and opportunities in achieving gender equality and the empowerment of rural women and girls;
- **Review theme:** Participation in and access of women to the media, and information and communications technologies and their impact on and use as an instrument for the advancement and empowerment of women

The Calendar of IAWRT & partner organizations events at CSW62:

**BEYOND A PRETTY FACE: TACKLING GENDER BIAS IN MEDIA INDUSTRIES**
**PARALLEL EVENT** with IAWRT’s Diana Nastasia & USA Chapter members
IAWRT – USA Chapter in partnership with Zonta International
14 March 4.30 PM
UN Church Center – 10th Floor
Rebecca Myles point person

**MEDIA AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES: A DOUBLE-EDGED SWORD FOR WOMEN’S ADVANCEMENT**
**PARALLEL EVENT** with IAWRT’s Sheila Katzman
Organised by IAWRT, Committee to Protect Journalists (CPJ), International Women's Media Foundation (IWMF), Reporters Sans Frontiers (RSF)
14 March 4.30 PM
Salvation Army Auditorium

MAIN IAWRT EVENT: #MeTooOnline (Makes this stands out more) - WORKSHOPPING SOLUTIONS TO COUNTER CYBER VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN
PARALLEL EVENT moderated by IAWRT’s Sheila Katzman.
16 March 10.30 AM
UN Church Center – 10th Floor

MAKING INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGY (ICT) WORK FOR GENDER JUSTICE
SIDE EVENT with IAWRT’s Violet Gonda
In partnership with IAWRT, Gender Links, SADC Protocol Alliance, UN Women and Malawi Government
22 March 10.00 AM
Conference Room A - Conference Building (max 53 persons)
RSVP at www.unwomen.org

SAFE JOURNALISTS, STRONG DEMOCRACIES: HOW ON AND OFFLINE ATTACKS ON WOMEN JOURNALISTS ARE HURTING US ALL
SIDE EVENT With IAWRT’s Abeer Saady
In partnership with the permanent mission of the Netherlands, the permanent mission of Sweden, UNESCO
22 March 10.00 AM
Conference Room 12 – GA (max 129 persons)
RSVP by 18 March

BRIEFING/NETWORKING SESSION: COMMUNITY MEDIA BROADCASTERS: BUILDING CAPACITIES FOR AMPLIFYING VOICES OF RURAL WOMEN
SIDE EVENT with IAWRT’s Grace Uddin, Archana Kapoor, Birgitte Jallov, and Sheila Katzman
In partnership with IAWRT and United Nations Department of Public Information (DPI)
23 March 11.30 AM – 2:30 PM
Briefing Session: 11:30 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.
Networking Session 1:15 - 2:30 p.m.
Conference Room 12 - GA Building (max 129 persons)

To RSVP for events go to www.unwomen.org (Commission on the Status of Women, CSW62 (2018) Side Events) For more details about CSW62 events kindly visit www.iawrt.org or follow the Facebook group.