

**FIFTY-SIXTH SESSION OF CSW: ORGANIZATION OF WORK**  
**27 February - 9 March 2012**

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>Monday, 27 February 2012</b>	<b>Tuesday, 28 February 2012</b>	<b>Wednesday, 29 February 2012</b>	<b>Thursday, 1 March 2012</b>	<b>Friday, 2 March 2012</b>
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<p><b>- Opening of the session</b>            - Election of officers (Item 1)            - Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters (Item 2)            - Introduction of documents (Item 3 as a whole)</p> <p><b>General discussion (Item 3)</b>  <i>(opens)</i>            Review of the implementation of: the BPfA and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the GA - sharing of experiences and good practices on implementation of the Platform for Action, with a view to overcoming remaining obstacles and new challenges</p> <p><i>1 p.m.: deadline for inscription on list of speakers</i></p>	<p><b>Panel 1</b>  <b>Priority theme</b></p> <p>The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges</p> <p>Focus: economic empowerment of rural women</p>	<p><b>General discussion (Item 3)</b>  <i>(continued)</i></p>	<p><b>Panel 3</b>  <b>Review theme</b></p> <p>Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of CSW 52 on “Financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women”</p> <p>Focus: national experiences in implementing the agreed conclusions of CSW 52</p>	<p><b>General discussion (Item 3)</b>  <i>(continued)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b>            Informal consultations</p>
1 – 3 p.m.			<p><b>Preparatory panel for 2013:</b>            Elimination and prevention of all forms of violence against women and girls</p>		
3 – 6 p.m.	<p><b>High-level round table on the priority theme (in two parallel meetings)</b></p> <p>The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges (Item 3 (a) (i))</p>	<p><b>General discussion (Item 3)</b>  <i>(continued)</i></p>	<p><b>Panel 2</b>  <b>Priority theme</b></p> <p>The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges</p> <p>Focus: the role of gender-responsive governance and institutions for the empowerment of rural women</p>	<p><b>Panel 4</b>  <b>Review theme</b></p> <p>Evaluation of progress in the implementation of the agreed conclusions of CSW 52 on “Financing for gender equality and the empowerment of women”</p> <p>Focus: progress in financing for gender equality from the perspective of international organizations and multilateral development partners</p>	<p><b>General discussion (Item 3)</b>  <i>(continued)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b>            Informal consultations</p>

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WEEK 2	Monday, 5 March 2012	Tuesday, 6 March 2012	Wednesday, 7 March 2012	Thursday, 8 March 2012	Friday, 9 March 2012
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.	<p><b>General discussion</b> (Item 3) <i>(continued)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Panel 5: Emerging issue</b></p> <p>Engaging young women and men, girls and boys, to advance gender equality</p> <p><i>3 p.m.: deadline for submission of draft proposals</i></p>	<p><b>International Women’s Day</b> [10 a.m. to 12 p.m.]</p> <p>followed by:</p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Follow-up to the Economic and Social Council resolutions and decisions</b> (Item 5) - <i>introduction and discussion</i></p> <p><b>Introduction of draft proposals</b></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Action on draft proposals</b></p>
1 – 3 p.m.					
3 – 6 p.m.	<p><b>General discussion</b> (Item 3) <i>(concludes)</i></p> <p><i>in parallel with</i></p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Closed meeting to consider the report of the Working Group on Communications</b> (Item 4)</p> <p>followed by</p> <p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Agreed conclusions:</b> Informal consultations</p>	<p><b>Action on draft proposals and other outstanding issues</b></p> <p>Provisional agenda for the 57th session of CSW (Item 6)</p> <p>Adoption of the report of the CSW on its 56th session (Item 7)</p> <p>Closure of the 56th session</p>