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WELCOME

We have great pleasure in welcoming you to the Holyrood Policy "Women and COVID: Tackling Economic Inequality Through Recovery" event.

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WOMEN AND COVID: TACKLING ECONOMIC INEQUALITY THROUGH RECOVERY

5 March 2021 | 10:00 - 15:00

Women have borne the brunt of COVID-19's devastating economic impact, as the pandemic has exacerbated existing inequalities in the labour market, such as unpaid care and domestic work.

A recent UK Parliament Committee report reiterated this, noting that job protection schemes appear to have given little consideration to labour inequalities, and that investment is being focused on male-dominated sectors.

Join us as we discuss how equality can be placed at the heart of our economic recovery - through investment in a care economy; improved gender mainstreaming; and breaking down barriers to certain professions.

EVENT AGENDA

10:00 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION FROM THE CHAIR

Dr Angela O'Hagan
Commissioner, Commission on a Gender Equal Economy and Trustee, UK Women's Budget Group

10:05 SESSION ONE: CONTEXT: UNDERSTANDING THE NEED FOR CHANGE

10:05 Dr Clare Wenham
Assistant Professor of Global Health Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science

10:20 Dr Gemma Bone Dodds
Trustee, Wellbeing Economy Alliance Scotland

10:35 Q&A

10:50 COMFORT BREAK

11:00 SESSION TWO: INVESTING IN A CARE ECONOMY

11:00 Satwat Rehman
Director, One Parent Families Scotland

11:10 Professor Kirstein Rummery
Professor of Social Policy, University of Stirling

11:20 SESSION THREE: LEVELLING-UP: RETHINKING HOW WE VALUE THE WORKFORCE

11:20 Ruth Boyle
Policy and Parliamentary Officer, Close the Gap

11:30 Dr Davena Rankin
Chair of the Women's Committee, UNISON Scotland

11:40 Q&A

12:00 LUNCH

13:00 SESSION FOUR: MAKING THE BUDGET WORK FOR WOMEN

Sara Cowan
Coordinator, Scottish Women's Budget Group/Region and Growth Deals

13:15 SESSION FIVE: GENDER AS A DRIVER OF INNOVATION AND PRODUCTIVITY

Carolyn Currie
Chief Executive, Women's Enterprise Scotland

13:30 SESSION SIX: INDUSTRY RECOVERY: THE IMPORTANCE OF WOMEN IN STEM

Lesley Laird
Director, Equate Scotland

13:45 Q&A

14:00 SESSION SEVEN: IMPROVING GENDER MAINSTREAMING

14:00 Alys Mumford
Communications and Engagement Manager, Engender

14:15 Q&A with Ricarda Götz
Department for the Promotion and Coordination of Women's Issues, City of Vienna

14:30 SESSION EIGHT: CLOSING KEYNOTE - WITH Q&A

Jamie Hepburn MSP
Minister for Business, Fair Work and Skills, Scottish Government

14:55 CHAIR'S CLOSING REMARKS

Dr Angela O'Hagan
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15:00 END OF MEETING