

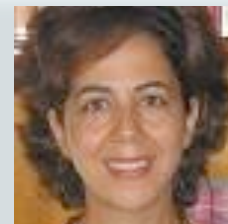
FREE ADMISSION  
**Friday, July 9th, 2010**  
**12:15 - 14:00**  
**Palais des Nations,**  
Pregny Gate  
Room IX, Building A (the  
old building), 3rd Floor



**Moderator:**  
**Dr. Sarah Cook**  
Director, the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD)



**Speaker:**  
**Prof Elisabeth Prügl**  
Political Science unit of the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva



**Speaker:**  
**Dr Shahra Razavi**  
Research Coordinator at the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD)

## UNCTAD's Gender Lecture Series

# Gender in the 21st Century: Looking back, Moving forward

### Panel of Speakers:

**Sarah Cook, Moderator:** Dr. Cook is a widely published development economist and social policy expert whose recent work has included research on social protection in Asia, social welfare in rural China, the informalization of employment and the gender impacts of economic reform

**Prof Elisabeth Prügl, Speaker:** Prof Prügl's research focuses on global governance, international relations, and international political economy from a feminist perspective. She has written numerous journal articles on these topics and is the author of *Transforming Masculine Rule; Agriculture and Rural Development in the European Union* (University of Michigan Press, forthcoming) and of *The Global Construction of Gender: Home-based Work in the Political Economy of the 20th Century* (Columbia University Press, 1999). Her current research focuses on the relationship between gender expertise and feminist knowledge, in particular in the context of gender mainstreaming.

**Dr Shahra Razavi, Speaker:** Dr. Razavi specializes in the gender dimensions of social development, with a particular focus on livelihoods and social policies. She has led the Institute's research projects on the following topics: Gender, Poverty and Well-Being; Agrarian Change, Gender and Land Rights; Globalization, Export-Oriented Employment for Women and Social Policy; as well as the work on Gender Justice, Development and Rights which was carried out as part of the Institute's contribution to the Beijing Plus 5 Review Process. Dr Razavi's current research includes a focus on the rise of Islamic-based politics and gender equality.

### Specific focus of the lecture:

#### *In developed countries:*

- A theoretical overview of gender with a special emphasis on issues of justice.
- A critical look at the main milestones of the feminist movement in Europe and North America.
- A look back at the UN decade for women that led to the 1995 Beijing Conference.
- The gendered nature of key institutions and discourses that shape global governance and at the status of gender mainstreaming in international organisations.
- The contemporary gender agenda: what next?

#### *In developing countries:*

- Gender in the context of developing countries.
- An overview of gender inequalities in access to resources, welfare and opportunities in developing countries.
- Examples of successful initiatives (at the national, regional and international levels) that have addressed gender inequalities.
- Reflections based on the integration of gender in the work of a UN organisation.