

PSI in the Caribbean

Revised Draft 2017 SUBWOC agenda “Taking the bull by the horns”

9:00 am NETWORKING

9:15 am Call to order ~ Sis Jillian Bartlett, Caribbean Women’s Titular
Introduction of top table(s)
Welcome ~ Representative from host affiliates

9:40 am Remarks, Rosa Pavanelli, PSI general secretary
Excuses for absence, other announcements
Introductions
Minutes of the 2016 SUBWOC meeting and Matters arising (items not otherwise covered in the agenda)

10:30 am NETWORKING BREAK

11:00 am Priority areas of work: work in progress

- Working for an [ILO convention - Violence and Harassment against Women and Men in the World of Work](#)
Sis Jillian Bartlett (NUGFW TT), Sis Paula Robinson (ILO Caribbean), Sis Sandra Massiah (PSI)

We refer SUBWOC members to the recommendations and decisions made at PSI meetings on priority areas of work. SUBWOC members will note the work in progress as well as plans for future action in 2017.

This session pays particular attention to violence against women and men in the world of work and the global actions being taken; as well as PSI’s global sectoral focus. We invite SUBWOC members to discuss specific actions that they can take in their unions and countries to contribute to the trade union movement’s goal to have a convention supported by a recommendation.

12:15 pm Preparing for PSI World Congress 2017

Sis Rosa Pavanelli, Sis Jillian Bartlett

- Key points from 2016 extraordinary meeting of the World Women’s Committee (WOC)
- Gender analysis of the Draft Programme of Action 2018 – 2022
- WOC proposals for Congress 2017

We invite SUBWOC members to note the outcomes of the discussions and the gender analysis of the draft Programme of Action (PoA) for the new congress period. We also invite SUBWOC members to note the WOC’s specific actions for Congress 2017 and the new congress period.

[Please note that there will be a full and detailed discussion on Congress preparations during the SUBRAC.]

1:00 pm LUNCH

**2:15 pm Women's Economic Empowerment in the Changing World of Work;
[61st Session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women](#)**

Moderator: Sis Susan Hodge (ACSA)

*Presenters: Sis Jillian Bartlett (NUGFW TT), Sis Shirley Pryce
Jamaica Household Workers' Union*

We invite SUBWOC members to carefully note the PSI's main concerns regarding gender equality in the world of work in public services. We also invite SUBWOC members to note the outcomes of the preparatory meetings held in New York; as well as our plans to increase our influence on governments and United Nations bodies as well as the Agreed Conclusions. We especially invite SUBWOC members to contribute to the joint actions.

3:35 pm Labour and trade union rights for women - Promoting the Domestic Workers Convention

Moderator: Sis Susan Hodge

Presenters: Sis Shirley Pryce (JHWU); Sis Paula Robinson (ILO)

[ILO Convention 189](#) was adopted at the June 2011 ILC. Guyana and Jamaica have ratified the convention. Through national, regional and global solidarity, the convention was adopted and ratified in a number of countries. Much more work needs to be done.

We invite SUBWOC members to note the work of the JHWU as well as regional and global trade union efforts to ratify the convention. We also invite SUBWOC members to contribute ideas and actions to influence the ratification and implementation of the convention in their respective countries.

4:20 pm Promoting Gender Responsive Public Services (GRPS)

Sis Sandra Massiah

We invite SUBWOC members to note and learn more about the PSI's work, in collaboration with various partners, on promoting [gender responsive public services](#).(GRPS).

We also invite SUBWOC members to note of the current and planned actions and to contribute ideas for action in their own spaces.

5:00 pm Key dates and themes for gender equality actions in 2017/2018

We invite SUBWOC members to note important dates and events to promote gender equality and women's economic empowerment. These include opportunities to present papers and participate in discussions and panels.

Closing remarks

5:30 pm

END OF SUBWOC

There will be no formal afternoon break. SUBWOC members are free to get coffee, tea, juice, water at their leisure.