

Commission on the Status of Women



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Panel discussion on:

The empowerment of rural women and their role in poverty and hunger eradication, development and current challenges

Thursday, 24 February 2011, 1.15 – 2.45 p.m., Conference Room 3, North Lawn Building

A short video will be screened before the panel at 1 p.m.

Opening remarks by **Michelle Bachelet**
Executive Director, UN Women

Moderated by **María Luz Melon**
Vice Chair, CSW

Panellists:

Emma Siliprandi, Researcher, Center for Food Research (NEPA), Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Brazil

Marzia Fontana, Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex, UK

Godavari Dange, Shakti Federation, India

Marcela Villarreal, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)

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