



Pathways of Women's Empowerment Research Programme and UN Women invite you to a CSW panel event

## Making Change Happen through Women's Collective Action

Tuesday 28 February, 3 – 4.15pm, Conference Room A, North Lawn Building.

Please email <u>progress@unwomen.org</u> to confirm your place (please write Pathways RSVP in the subject line)

This panel will bring together findings from a five-year, multi-country research programme in which UN Women has been a key partner.

In 2006, Pathways of Women's Empowerment set out to discover what works to change women's lives for the better. A key finding from the programme's 55 research projects in 15 countries is that women's organizing and collective action is vital for sustainable, transformative change.

The panel will share findings from collaborative and comparative research projects that have included studies of women's collective action in Bangladesh, Brazil, Ghana, Egypt, Nigeria, Palestine, Pakistan, Sierra Leone and Sudan. Panellists will include:

- **Cecilia Sardenberg**, former director of the Nucleus for Interdisciplinary Women's Studies at the Federal University of Bahia, who will talk about feminist organizing to monitor the implementation of domestic violence legislation in Brazil.
- Mariz Tadros, a Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies in the UK, who will share
  findings from the "Pathways into Politics" project, drawing in particular on her recent work on
  women's organizing in the context of the Egyptian revolution and the recent round of elections
  in Egypt
- Hussainatu Abdullah, a Sierra Leonean researcher, who will share findings from research in Sierra Leone on women's organizing for peace and security, within the context of efforts to strengthen the implementation of Resolution 1325, which was part of a project involving UN Women in Sierra Leone
- Maheen Sultan, Pathways South Asia Hub Convenor and member of the Bangladeshi feminist organization Naripokkho, who will talk about findings from a Pathways studies of the role of women's movements in shaping change for women in post-authoritarian contexts, drawing on work from Bangladesh

Anne Marie Goetz of UN Women will act as a discussant. The panel will be chaired by Andrea Cornwall, Director of the Pathways of Women's Empowerment programme.