



Justice
Coalition of
Religious

WELCOME GATHERING for the 69th

COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN

7 MARCH 2025

Review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcomes of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly





JUSTICE COALITION OF RELIGIOUS

This gathering was organised by the [Justice Coalition of Religious](#) (JCoR), a coalition of 23 non-governmental organizations that are accredited to collectively represent over 200 congregations of Roman Catholic women and men Religious at the United Nations (UN). Congregations of Religious sustain the long-standing tradition of serving people who experience the marginalisation, oppression, and vulnerability resulting from unjust global systems. At the grassroots, Sisters, Brothers, priests, and their mission partners are leaders in the provision of essential services. While these efforts offer vital temporary assistance, our common home cries out for lasting global transformation, a transformation that requires addressing the root causes of human and environmental suffering. We are thereby called to the work of advocacy.

JCoR coordinates the efforts of Religious and their ministry partners - across more than 100 countries - in pursuit of our common mission: ***To facilitate collaboration among members and partners of Catholic Religious congregations working at the grassroots and at the United Nations in order to: (1) strengthen one another's capacity for advocacy and (2) advocate collectively for social, economic, and environmental justice and peace in international, regional, and national fora.***

Guided by Catholic Social Teaching and the Universal Human Rights Framework, JCoR envisions a just and peaceful world where the dignity of every person, particularly the most marginalized, and the sanctity of all creation are upheld. In this world, all people can fully participate in the social, economic, political, and cultural life of society, working together to foster the common good. We strive to realise this future world by coordinating the efforts of Religious to call on political leaders to take action for a just, equitable, and rights-based implementation of the [Sustainable Development Goals](#) (SDGs), the United Nations' Agenda for 2015-2030.

We hope these pages will help empower you join us in this mission!

CSW69 DETAILS

When & Where

10-21 March 2025, United Nations Headquarters in New York

Watch

Join online to follow the proceedings of CSW69 at webtv.un.org (streamed in multiple languages)

Official Website

Click on the following link to access the [CSW69 website](#)

Schedule

Click on the following links to view the [official meetings](#) of the Annual Session and a list of official [side events](#)

Current drafts of CSW69 outcome documents

[Click here](#) to access the draft political declaration and multi-year programme of work

NGO CSW Forum

During CSW, the NGO Committee on the Status of Women (NGO CSW/NY) hosts the NGO CSW Forum, a program encompassing numerous events that prioritize civil society engagement. Please see the next page for more information.

The CSW schedule is composed of the following three types of events:



Annual Session

The official gathering of the Commission that convenes high-level government representatives and registered civil society actors to discuss and set policies on gender equality and the rights of women and girls



Side Events

Side events coincide with the Annual Session. They are official events organized by UN agencies and Member States, in collaboration with civil society, to raise awareness and influence policy dialogues



Parallel Events

Parallel events take place outside the official United Nations CSW space. They are organized by civil society and provide a space for the public to engage in open dialogues

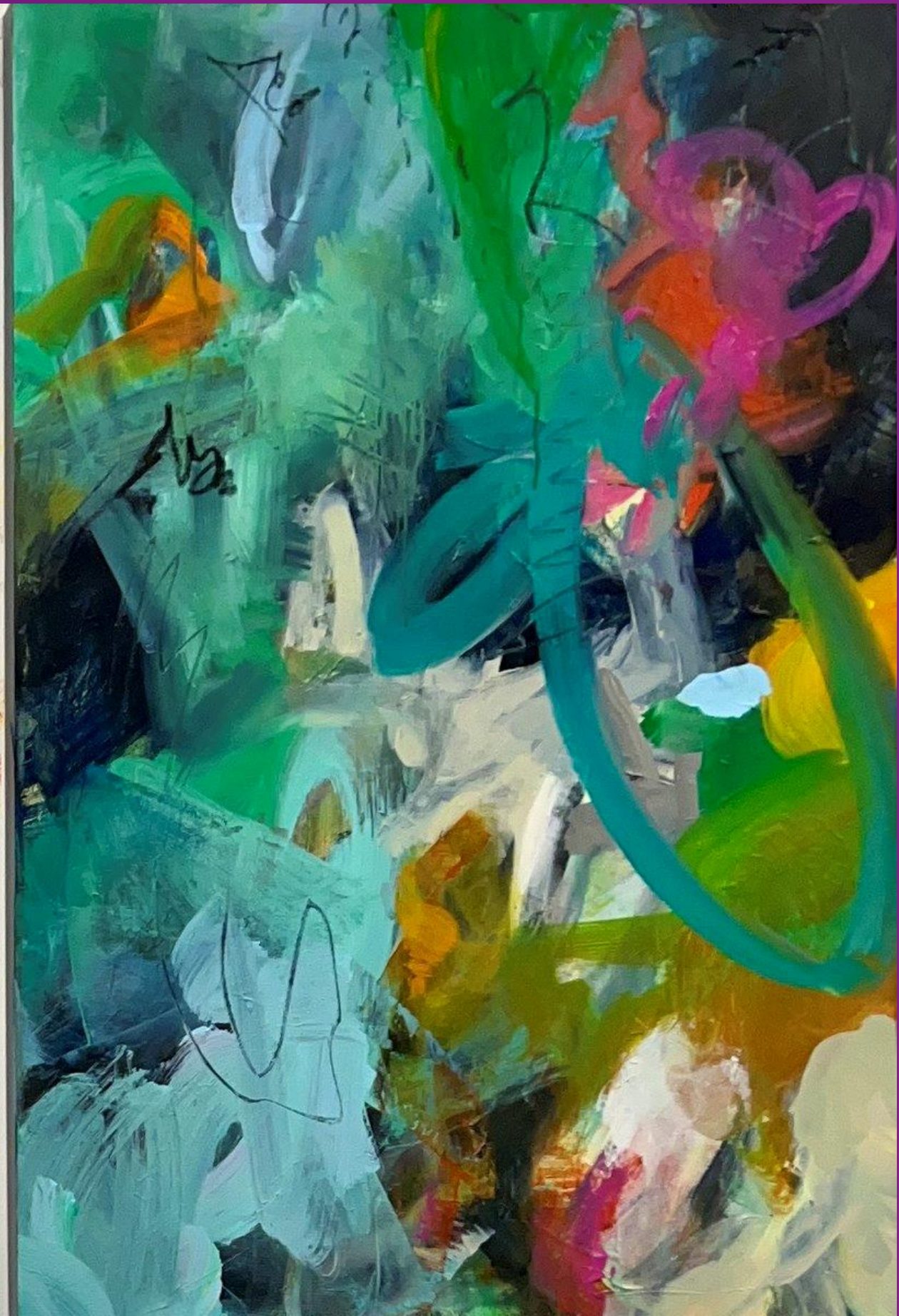
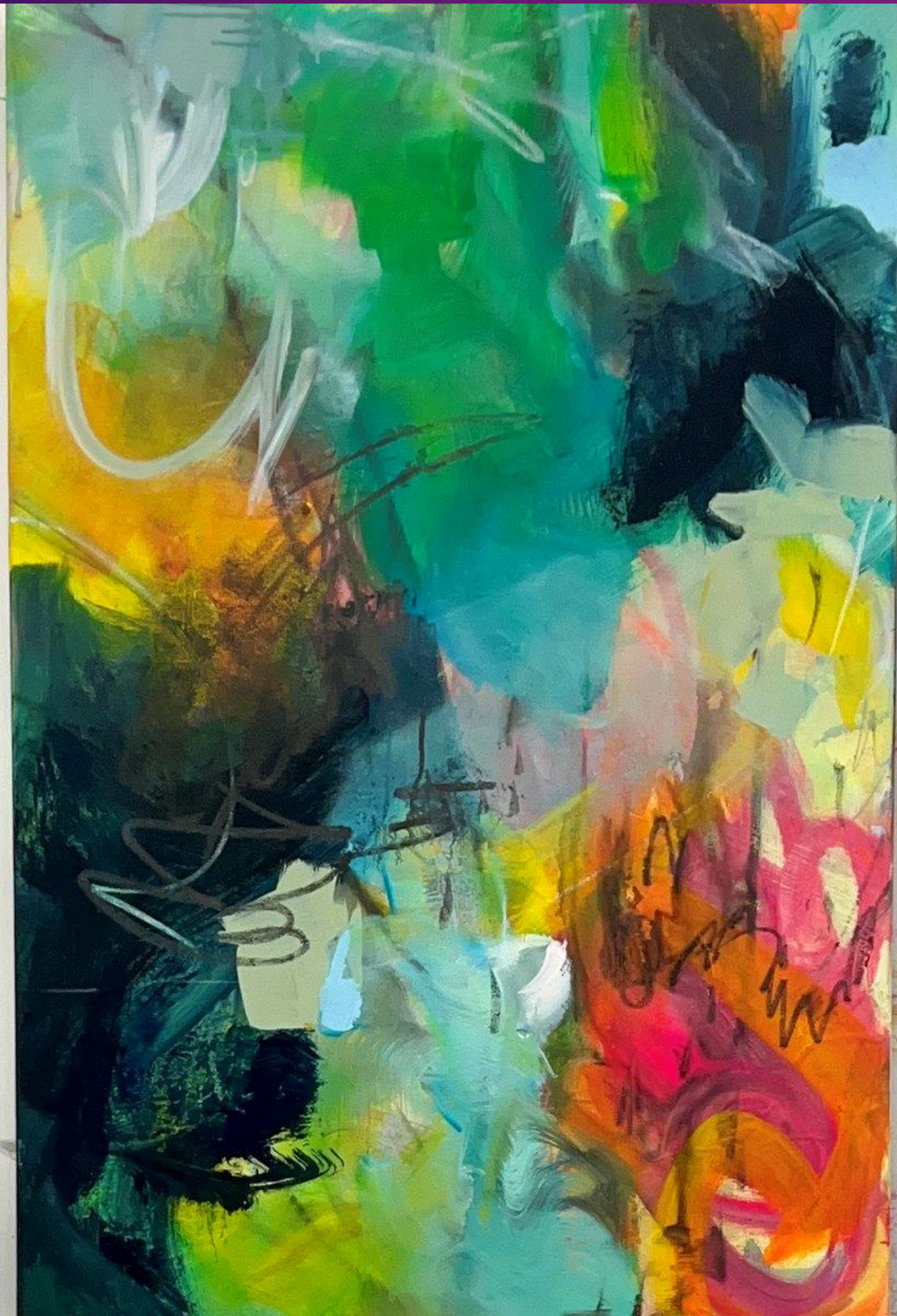
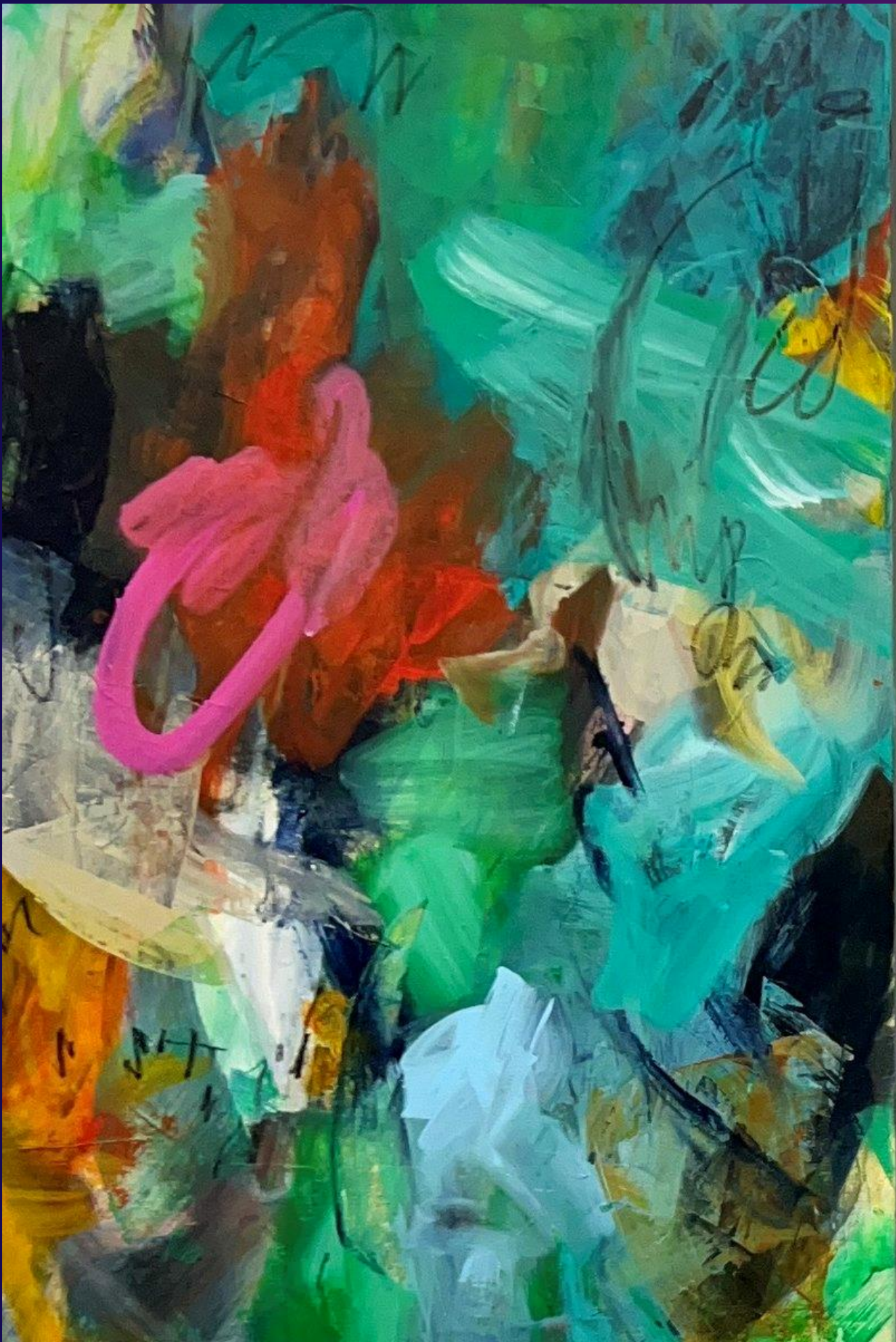
A PRAYERFUL REFLECTION

on the
Beijing Platform for
Action



Beijing Platform for Action











For each of the Beijing Platform's 12 "critical areas" for action, reflect and record from your personal experience a person, place, or project through which you have witnessed or experienced the challenge or a positive response.



Poverty of women & girls

**Pobresa de las
mujeres y niñas**

*Pauvreté des
femmes et des filles*



Where—or through whom—have you witnessed the need for action in this area?

What positive responses have you witnessed that you could add to our canvas?



Education and training for
women & girls

**Educación y
formación por las
mujeres y niñas**

*Éducation et formation
pour les femmes et les
filles*



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Health of women & girls

**Salud de las
mujeres y niñas**

*Santé des femmes
et des filles*



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Violence against women
& girls

**Violencia contra
mujeres y niñas**

*Violence à l'encontre des
femmes et des filles*



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Women & girls in armed
conflict and
peacebuilding

**Mujeres y niñas en
conflicto armado y
consolidación de la paz**

*Les femmes et les filles en conflits
armés et consolidation de la paix*



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Economic empowerment
of women & girls

**Empoderamiento
económico de mujeres
y niñas**

*Autonomisation
économique des
femmes et des filles*



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Leadership & decision
making of women & girls

**Liderazgo y toma de
decisiones de
mujeres y niñas**

*Leadership et prise de décision
des femmes et des filles*



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Governance that attends to
women & girls

**Gobernanza que
atiende a mujeres y
niñas**

*Gouvernance qui
s'occupe de les
femmes et les filles*



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Gender equality in human rights

**Igualdad de genero
en derechos
humanos**

*L'égalité des sexes
dans les droits de
l'homme*



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Representation of women
& girls in media

**Representación de
mujeres y niñas en los
medios de comunicación**

*Représentation des femmes et
des filles dans les médias*



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Women's role in
environmental conservation

**El papel de la mujer
en la conservación
del medio ambiente**



*Le rôle des femmes dans la
conservation de l'environnement*

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Protection of girls from
harmful practices

**Protección de las
niñas de prácticas
nocivas**



*Protection des filles contre les
pratiques néfastes*

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Navigating CSW69

with Intention



Step 1: Name Your Hope

What do I want to learn (or who do I want to learn from)?

Who do I want to meet or engage in dialogue?

What message do I want to share?



Step 2: Select Priorities

Looking at the programming included in CSW69, which sessions are most likely to enable me to:

...learn what I hope to learn?

...meet who I hope to engage in dialogue?

...share the message that I hope to deliver?



Step 3: Reflect Daily

1. What did I learn today that can support my ministry or the community I serve?
2. What did I hear today that does *not* align with or accurately reflect the lived reality of the community I serve?
3. Who (person, government, or organization) did I meet or learn from today that I would like to communicate with further?





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Best wishes for a fruitful CSW69!

