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Dear IAW members,

In this News Flash you will find the latest information about regional activities in preparation for **Beijing + 10**, which will be held at the Commission on the Status of Women in March 2005 in New York. This handy frame, compiled by WEDO, is well worth displaying on your information board. At CSW 2004 the following text was adopted:

'The draft Resolution on the 49th session adopted at the 48th CSW, on the 49th session (document E/CN.6/2004/L.12) would have the Commission decide to focus on the **implementation** of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcome of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly through the expanded use of **interactive dialogue**, and with broad-based participation of government delegations at the highest level of responsibility and expertise, and of **civil society** and organisations within the United Nations system, bearing in mind the need to integrate a gender perspective in the implementation and review of the Millennium Declaration'.

## Beijing+10 Regional and Global Processes

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Region	When and Where?	Issues/Targets/	Outcome
<b>ESCWA</b> www.escwa.org.lb/ (Economic & Social Commission for West Asia)	<b>West Asia Regional Meeting</b> December 1-7, 2003 Beirut, Lebanon	<b>Regional Preparatory Meetings for Beijing +10</b> Review progress and obstacles encountered at the national and regional levels in the Implementation of the Arab Plan of Action for the Advancement of Women adopted in Amman in 1994, and the Beijing Platform of Action	<b>View Press Release</b> <a href="http://www.escwa.org.lb/information/press/escwa/2003/dec/4.html">http://www.escwa.org.lb/information/press/escwa/2003/dec/4.html</a>
<b>ECLAC</b> www.eclac.org (Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean)	<b>9th Regional Conference on Women in LAC</b> June 10-12, 2004 Mexico City, Mexico <b>Mexico and Central America</b> Date TBA, Honduras <b>South America</b> March 23-24, 2004 Brasilia, Brazil <b>Caribbean</b> February 12-13, 2004 St. Vincent and the Grenadines	<b>9th Regional Conference on Women in LAC</b> Reviewing the implementation of international and regional agreements. <b>Sub regional Conference on Women in LAC</b> Analysis of the two thematic areas and the issue of sexual and reproductive health, with particular emphasis on HIV/AIDS The ECLAC secretariat is to prepare a list of the specific issues to be addressed under each of the thematic areas and produce a position paper reflecting the inputs received from countries	<b>View Press Release</b> <a href="http://www.eclac.org/cgi-bin/getProd.asp?xml=/portofspain/noticias/noticias/7/13937/P13937.xml&amp;xsl=/portofspain/tpl-i/p1f.xsl&amp;base=/tpl-iltop-bottom.xsl">http://www.eclac.org/cgi-bin/getProd.asp?xml=/portofspain/noticias/noticias/7/13937/P13937.xml&amp;xsl=/portofspain/tpl-i/p1f.xsl&amp;base=/tpl-iltop-bottom.xsl</a>
<b>ECA</b> www.uneca.org	<b>West Africa</b> April 13-15, 2004	<b>10-Year Review of the Dakar and Beijing</b>	<b>View Press Release</b> <a href="http://www.uneca.org">www.uneca.org</a>

(Economic Commission for Africa)	<p>Abuja, Nigeria  <b>North Africa</b>  April 14-16, 2004  Tangiers, Morocco  <b>Central Africa</b>  April 19-21, 2004,  Brazzaville, Congo  <b>Southern Africa</b>  April 26-29, 2004  Lusaka, Zambia  <b>Africa Regional</b>  November 2004</p>	<p><b>Platforms for Action</b>  Formulation of the next policy framework document to guide gender-related work in the continent. The review will seek consensus on the gender-related priority areas in the sub-regions  <b>Sub-regional meetings</b> will be organized to review and endorse national evaluation reports into sub-regional evaluation.</p>	
<p><b>ECE/NA</b>  <a href="http://www.unece.org">www.unece.org</a>  (Economic Commission for Europe/North America)</p>	<p><b>Europe and North America</b>  December 5-8, 2004  Geneva, Switzerland  5-6 for NGO's  7-8 for Govt's</p>	<p>Priority areas include:  Women and the Economy,  Institutional Mechanisms  Trafficking as well as  Violence and Poverty as  cross –cutting issues as they relate to the above priority areas.</p>	
<p><b>ESCAP</b>  (Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific)</p>	<p><b>Gender Equality in the A/P Region</b>  Seoul, South Korea  November 12-13, 2003  <b>East Asia Forum</b>  Hong Kong  December 2003  <b>Meeting</b>  <b>Commonwealth Secretariat</b>  May 2004  <b>Asia Pacific NGO Forum</b>  July 1-3, 2004  <b>High Level Meeting</b>  September 6-9, 2004</p>	<p><b>Review of the Beijing Platform for Action - High Level Intergovernmental Meeting</b>  Evaluate best practices, review the 12 critical areas of concern of the BPFA, with a focus on institutional mechanisms and focus on 'emerging issues' of the region such as conflict and HIV/AIDS. ESCAP does not envisage any renegotiation of BPFA</p>	
<p><b>DAW</b>  <a href="http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/">http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/</a>  (Division for the Advancement of Women)</p>	<p><b>Questionnaires sent to governments</b>  November 2003  <b>Questionnaires Due:</b>  April 30, 2004  <b>48<sup>th</sup> Session of CSW</b>  March 1-12 2004  New York, NY  <b>Beijing +10 Review</b>  March 2005  New York, NY</p>	<p><b>Beijing +10: Review of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action</b>  And review current challenges and forward looking strategies.</p>	<p><b>View Questionnaire</b>  <a href="http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/2005Review/index.html">http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/2005Review/index.html</a></p>
<p><b>UNGA</b>  <a href="http://www.un.org/ga/58/">http://www.un.org/ga/58/</a>  (United National General Assembly)</p>	<p><b>MDG Review</b>  Fall 2005  New York, NY</p>	<p><b>5 year review of the Millennium Declaration and the MDGs</b></p>	

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