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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<td><strong>ECLAC</strong>&lt;br&gt;www.eclac.org (Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean)</td>
<td>9th Regional Conference on Women in LAC&lt;br&gt;June 10-12, 2004&lt;br&gt;Mexico City, Mexico&lt;br&gt;Mexico and Central America&lt;br&gt;Date TBA, Honduras&lt;br&gt;South America&lt;br&gt;March 23-24, 2004&lt;br&gt;Brasilia, Brazil&lt;br&gt;Caribbean&lt;br&gt;February 12-13, 2004&lt;br&gt;St. Vincent and the Grenadines</td>
<td>9th Regional Conference on Women in LAC&lt;br&gt;Reviewing the implementation of international and regional agreements.&lt;br&gt;Sub regional Conference on Women in LAC&lt;br&gt;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</td>
<td>View Press Release <a href="http://www.eclac.org/cgi-bin/getProd.asp?xml=/portofspain/noticias/noticias/7/13937/P13937.xml&amp;xsl=/portofspain/tpl-itop-bottom.xsl">http://www.eclac.org/cgi-bin/getProd.asp?xml=/portofspain/noticias/noticias/7/13937/P13937.xml&amp;xsl=/portofspain/tpl-itop-bottom.xsl</a></td>
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| (Economic Commission for Africa) | Abuja, Nigeria  
North Africa  
April 14-16, 2004  
Tangiers, Morocco  
Central Africa  
April 19-21, 2004,  
Brazzaville, Congo  
Southern Africa  
April 26-29, 2004  
Lusaka, Zambia  
Africa Regional  
November 2004 | Platforms for Action  
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  
Sub-regional meetings will be organized to review and endorse national evaluation reports into sub-regional evaluation. |
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| ECE/NA  
www.unece.org  
(Economic Commission for Europe/North America) | Europe and North America  
December 5-8, 2004  
Geneva, Switzerland  
5-6 for NGO’s  
7-8 for Govt’s | 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. |
| ESCAP  
(Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific) | Gender Equality in the A/P Region  
Seoul, South Korea  
November 12-13, 2003  
East Asia Forum  
Hong Kong  
December 2003  
Meeting Commonwealth Secretariat  
May 2004  
Asia Pacific NGO Forum  
July 1-3, 2004  
High Level Meeting  
September 6-9, 2004 | Review of the Beijing Platform for Action - High Level Intergovernmental Meeting  
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 |
| DAW  
http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/  
(Division for the Advancement of Women) | Questionnaires sent to governments  
November 2003  
Questionnaires Due:  
April 30, 2004  
48th Session of CSW  
March 1-12 2004  
New York, NY  
Beijing +10 Review  
March 2005  
New York, NY | Beijing +10: Review of the implementation of the Beijing Platform for Action  
And review current challenges and forward looking strategies.  
View Questionnaire  
| UNGA  
http://www.un.org/ga/58/  
(United National General Assembly) | MDG Review  
Fall 2005  
New York, NY | 5 year review of the Millennium Declaration and the MDGs |

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