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**REGIONAL PREPARATORY MEETING ON THE 10-YEAR REVIEW
OF THE BEIJING PLATFORM FOR ACTION**

PROGRAMME

DAY 1	14 December 2004
8:00	Registration of Participants
9:45 10:30	Welcome by the UNECE Executive Secretary Opening statement of the Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues and Advancement of Women
10:30 12:00	Regional overview of progress and challenges High-level Panel <i>Chair: Canada</i> Ms. Tamar Beruchashvili, State Minister of Georgia on European Integration and Head of Gender Equality, Georgia Ms. Aiticul Samakova, Minister, Ministry of Environment, Kazakhstan Ms. Valentine Dovzhenko, Minister, Family, Children and Youth Affairs, Ukraine Ms. Magdalena Sroda, Undersecretary of State, Plenipotentiary for Gender Equality, the Chancellery of the Prime Minister, Poland Mr. Rimantas Kairelis, State Secretary, Ministry of Social Security and Labour and Head of Gender Equality, Lithuania Ms. Eugenia Tsoumani, General Secretary for Gender Equality, Greece
12:00 13:00	International support to the implementation of the Beijing Platform <i>Chair: UNECE Executive Secretary</i> Ms. Gilda Farrell, Head of Equality Division, Council of Europe Ms. Luisa Pavan-Wolfe, Director, European Commission Mr. Jafar Javan, Head of the Policy Support and Programme, UNDP Regional Center, Bratislava

	<p>Ms. Joanne Sandler, Deputy Director, UNIFEM Ms. Ndioro Ndiaye, Deputy Director, OIM Mr. Goran Svilanovic, Chair Table I, Stability Pact OSCE representative</p>
<p>13:00 15:00</p>	<p><i>Lunch Break</i></p>
<p>13:30 15:00</p>	<p><i>Parallel side-events:</i></p> <p><i>“Building national gender machineries in the South Caucasus”</i> <i>organized by OSCE/ODHIR</i> <i>Room XX</i></p> <p><i>UNECE Gender Statistics Website</i> <i>Side-event organized by UNECE and UNDP</i> <i>Room XXI</i></p>
<p>15:00 16:30</p>	<p>Women in the economy: employability</p> <p><i>Chair: Switzerland</i></p> <p>Ms. Marta Turk, President, Economic Commission of the National Council of the Republic of Slovenia NGO representative Ms. Jill Rubery, Professor, Manchester Business School, University of Manchester, UK Ms. Eva Fodor, Professor, Central European University, Hungary</p>
<p>16:30 18:00</p>	<p>Women in the economy: social protection and pensions</p> <p><i>Chair: Azerbaijan</i></p> <p>Ms. Olga Sharapova, Director, Medical and Social Problems of Family, Maternity and Childhood, Russian Federation NGO representative Ms. Silke Steinhilber, Expert, Germany</p>
<p>18:15</p>	<p><i>Welcome reception</i> <i>hosted by the Swiss Government, the canton and the city of Geneva</i></p> <p><i>Special Address by Mr. Pascal Couchepin,</i> <i>Federal Councillor, Minister of Home Affairs of Switzerland</i></p>

DAY 2	15 December 2004
9:00 12:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Institutional mechanism to promote gender equality</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair: Turkey</i></p> <p>Ms. Florence Richard, Adviser to the Minister on Equal Opportunities, France NGO representative Ms. Ruth Halperin-Kaddari, Professor, Bar-Illan University, Israel</p>
12:00 13:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Trafficking of women in the context of migratory movements</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair: Netherlands</i></p> <p>Mr. Mark Lagon, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of International Organization Affairs, US State Department Ms. Gunilla Ekberg, Special Adviser to the Government on Trafficking, Sweden NGO representative Ms. Larissa Kapitsa, Professor, Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Russian Federation</p>
13:00 15:00	<i>Lunch Break</i>
13:30 15:00	<i>Side-event organized by UNDP: Human Trafficking in the CIS</i>
15:00 16:00	Trafficking of women in the context of migratory movements (cont.)
16:00 17:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Round Table on Emerging Issues</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Chair: Switzerland</i></p> <p>Ms. Diane Elson, Professor, University of Essex, UK Ms. Charlotte Bunch, Director of the Center for Women's Global Leadership, USA</p>
17:00 18:00	<p style="text-align: center;">Chairperson's conclusions and closing session</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Co-chairs: Canada and UNECE Executive Secretary</i></p>