LAUNCHING THE EQUAL PAY INTERNATIONAL COALITION (EPIC)

Equal pay for dynamic economies and inclusive societies

18 September 2017 • 15h00 to 17h30 • ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ, New York

15h00 WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

- Mr. Guy Ryder – Director-General, International Labour Organization (ILO);

15h05 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

- H.E. Mr. Luis Guillermo Solís Rivera – President, Costa Rica and Co-Chair, UN Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment;
- H.E. Mr. Mr. Bjarni Benediktsson – Prime Minister, Republic of Iceland;

15h15 GOVERNMENT DISCUSSION

The role of equal pay in unleashing the full potential of economic growth and social inclusion

Moderator: Mr. Matthew Bishop – U.S. Business Editor and New York Bureau Chief, The Economist;

- H.E. Mrs. Isabel de Saint Malo de Alvarado – Vice President, Republic of Panama;
- H.E. Dr. Aurelia Frick – Minister of Foreign Affairs, Principality of Liechtenstein;
- H.E. Mrs. Hala Lattouf – Minister of Social Development, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan;
- H.E. Ms. Meher Afroz Chumki – State Minister, Ministry of Women and Children Affairs People’s Republic of Bangladesh;
- Honorable Victoria Kalima, MP – Minister of Gender, Republic of Zambia;
- Mr. Frans Timmermans – First Vice-President, Better Regulation, Inter-Institutional Relations, the Rule of Law and the Charter of Fundamental Rights, European Commission;

16h00 INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Delivering on equal pay to reduce inequalities and drive SDG success

Moderator: Ms. Alison Smale – Under Secretary-General, UN Department of Public Information

- Ms. Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka – Executive Director, UN Women;
- Mr. Guy Ryder – Director-General, International Labour Organization (ILO);
- Mr. Angel Gurría – Secretary-General, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
16h45  ACTORS OF THE REAL ECONOMY

### Drawing top talent for innovation and growth at leading businesses through equal pay policies

**Moderator:** Ms. Michelle Fleury – New York Business Correspondent, BBC World News;
- Ms. Simona Scarpaleggia – CEO, IKEA Switzerland and Co-Chair, UN Panel on Women’s Economic Empowerment;
- Ms. Deborah Gillis – President and CEO, Catalyst;
- Ms. Julie Sweet – Chief Executive Officer for North America, Accenture;
- Mr. Peter Robinson – President, United States Council for International Business (USCIB) on behalf of the International Organization of Employers (IOE);
- Mr. Mark McLane – Global Head of Diversity and Inclusion, Barclays;
- Ms. Devon Pike – Senior Vice President, Global Merchandising, GAP;
- Ms. Marie Clarke Walker – Secretary-Treasurer, Canadian Labour Congress;

17h30  CLOSING COMMENTS

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*Reception in Delegates Dining Room South directly following event*