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## **CONCEPT NOTE**

### **Launch of Stockholm+50 Thailand National Consultations and Roundtable Discussion on Gender Perspectives Towards a Healthy Planet for the Prosperity of All**

**Date: Tuesday 5 April 2022 (13:30-17:00)**

**Webinar Meeting (English-Thai and Thai-English Interpretation)**

#### **Objective**

In preparation for the Stockholm+50 international meeting convened by the United Nations General Assembly to be held in Stockholm, Sweden from 2-3 June 2022, the Embassy of Sweden in Thailand and UNDP in Thailand are hosting a launch event and a roundtable discussion intended to inform key actors and the general public about Stockholm+50, set in motion the multifaceted process of national consultations, and facilitate the sharing of women's views and expectations that can be taken forward in the High-level Leadership Dialogue discussions at the Stockholm+50 international meeting.

#### **Background**

To enhance action and sustainable transformation agenda launched at the United Nations Conference on the Human Environment held in Stockholm in 1972, the Government of Sweden with support of the Government of Kenya will host a crucial international meeting under the theme “Stockholm+50: a healthy planet for the prosperity of all – our responsibility, our opportunity.” Leading up to the international meeting, national level consultations will be held under UNDP’s leadership in a number of countries, including Thailand. The objective of the national consultations is to stimulate an inclusive whole-of-society and whole-of-government dialogue on the main themes of Stockholm+50 and the Leadership Dialogues as they relate to the national context. To achieve this, it’s crucial to include the voices of women and vulnerable groups in the consultations.

Advancing gender equality in the context of climate actions, nature-based solutions, and sustainable development is one of the greatest global challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The issues of climate change, biodiversity, and sustainability have had and will continue to have, severe and lasting impacts on our environment, as well as economic and social development. Those who are amongst the most vulnerable and marginalized experience the deepest impacts are men and women living on the edge of poverty and instability. Women are increasingly being recognized as more vulnerable to climate change impacts, as they constitute the majority of the world’s poor and are more dependent on the natural resources which climate change threatens the most.

At the same time, women and girls are effective and powerful leaders and change-makers for climate action and environmental management. They are involved in sustainability initiatives around the world, and their participation and leadership results in more effective climate action and nature-based solutions. Continuing to examine the opportunities, as well as the constraints, to empower women and girls to have a voice and be equal players in decision-making related to climate change and sustainability is essential for sustainable development and greater gender equality.

### **Purpose of Roundtable Discussion**

Against this background, with overall objective of Stockholm+50, the roundtable discussion will be an opportunity to acknowledge the contribution of the participants, as well as to highlight gendered areas of concern. The outcome of the roundtable discussion will reiterate and emphasize the importance of gender perspectives, which will be included into the national consultation report. The discussion will focus on gender perspectives around the three of Leadership Dialogues expecting to contribute to the outcome of Stockholm+50.

Leadership Dialogue 1: *Reflecting on the urgent need for actions to achieve a healthy planet and prosperity of all*, where aspirations and rights can be fulfilled and which focus on the need to live in harmony with nature, ecosystems restoration, including how we measure and define wealth and prosperity, and integrate human development and planetary pressures with a focus on gender equality, social equity, ecological security, innovation, lifestyles and youth.

Leadership dialogue 2: *Achieving a sustainable and inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic*, with a focus on actions needed to recover and build forward from the pandemic and its adverse impacts on people, planet and prosperity; and to put the world back on track to deliver on the 2030 Agenda. This could be through a focus on sectors most affected by COVID-19, through rethinking financing, social protection schemes for the informal sector, policies for circularity and sustainable consumption and production, digitalization, where job creation, skills building, and capacity enhancement form a central part of the just transition for all countries and in particular for the poorest and most vulnerable.

Leadership dialogue 3: *Accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of Sustainable Development in the context of the Decade of Action*, with a focus on the means (i.e., multi-level governance, institutions, multilateral frameworks, and commitments highlighting accountability, accessibility, and incentives) necessary to implement commitments and actions, ensuring delivery on the 2030 Agenda (SDGs), the Nationally Determined Contributions (NDCs) under the Paris Agreement, and the national implementation plans of the emerging Global Biodiversity Framework.

The roundtable will seek to achieve three primary goals:

- Communications and discussions – The roundtable will give an opportunity to hear from the speakers and the participants their perspectives and views, including concerns and recommendations for achieving sustainability in line with the three of Leadership Dialogues;

- Identification of issues and responses to challenges – The roundtable will attempt to map out the primary issues relating to the links between women and environmental sustainability in the context of Stockholm+50 (i.e., climate change, nature and biodiversity, pollution, COVID-19, and SDGs), examining both positive and negative effects of these links, and to identify possible responses to challenges identified; and,
- Avenues for cooperation – The roundtable will explore possible avenues for future cooperation between and among various partners and stakeholders (i.e., public, private, CSOs, IOs, and academic sectors) and women and gender groups on the topic of women and Stockholm+50.

### Structure of the Launch and Roundtable

The entire event will take place virtually on Zoom meeting with remote simultaneous translation live streaming to UNDP Thailand Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/UNDPThailand>. The roundtable will last over three hours, consisting of three sessions. In each session, three speakers will make short presentations (up to 10 minutes each) at the beginning of the session to introduce and stimulate the discussion. This will be followed by a session discussion facilitated by a moderator (20 minutes).

### Participants

Participants will include professionals whose work and experience involve gender equality, environmental conservation and management, and sustainable development; as well as representatives from government, civil society, private, women, youth, academia, international organizations, relevant networks and associations.

### Program and Agenda

| Time               | Agenda                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>13:30-17:00</b> | Master of Ceremonies – Ms. Kirke Kyander, UNDP Thailand                                                                                 |
| <b>13:30-14:10</b> | <b>Inaugural Session – Launch of Stockholm+50 Thailand National Consultations</b>                                                       |
| 13:30-13:40        | Keynote Address by H.E. Mr. Jon Åström Gröndahl, the Ambassador of Sweden to Thailand                                                   |
| 13:40-13:50        | Keynote Address by H.E. Mr. Kiptiness Lindsay Kimwole, the Ambassador of Kenya to Thailand                                              |
| 13:50-14:00        | Keynote Address by Mr. Renaud Meyer, UNDP Resident Representative in Thailand                                                           |
| 14:00-14:10        | Video Keynote Address by Mr. Jatuporn Buruspat, Permanent Secretary of Thailand's Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment (MoNRE) |

| Time                      | Agenda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>14:15-15:05</b>        | <b>Roundtable Discussion Session I: <i>Panel Discussion on Reflecting on Actions to Achieve a Healthy Planet and Prosperity of All</i></b><br><u>Moderator</u> : Ms. Anchidtha Roonguthai, UNDP Thailand                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 14:15-14:20               | Welcome and Introduction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 14:20-14:30               | <i>Restoring and Regenerating a Positive Relationship with Nature</i> : How can we restore and regenerate a positive relationship with nature? What actions are needed to scale up the change towards a healthy planet?<br><u>Speaker</u> : Ms. Kobkarn Wattanavrangkul, Former Minister of Tourism and Sports of Thailand and Chairperson of the Board, KasikornBank PCL                                         |
| 14:30-14:40<br>(w/slides) | <i>Building and Restoring Sustainable and Resilient Relationship with Nature for Marginalized and Vulnerable Groups</i> : How could marginalized and vulnerable groups benefit from policies and initiatives designed to restore a more sustainable and resilient relationship with nature (that mitigates nature risks)?<br><u>Speaker</u> : Ms. Pirawan Wongnithisathaporn, Asia Indigenous Peoples Pact (AIPP) |
| 14:40-14:50               | <i>Measuring the Progress Towards a Healthier and More Prosperous Planet</i> : What are the prioritized set of metrics and indicators needed for tracking our progress towards a healthier and more prosperous planet?<br><u>Speaker</u> : Ms. Kanjana Phumelee, Director of Statistical System Management Division, National Statistical Office (NSO)                                                            |
| 14:50-15:05               | <i>Session Discussion I</i> : How can we safeguard or protect the rights of people and nature? What policies or measures are needed to be in place for safeguarding the nature and the people who depend on it? What kind of follow-up activities would you like to see from Stockholm+50?                                                                                                                        |
| <b>15:05-15:55</b>        | <b>Roundtable Discussion Session II: <i>Panel Discussion on Achieving a sustainable and inclusive recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic</i></b><br><u>Moderator</u> : Dr. Anuk Serechetapongse, UNDP Thailand                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 15:05-15:10               | Welcome and Introduction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| 15:10-15:20               | <i>Shaping an Equitable, Inclusive and Sustainable Recovery</i> : What are the most promising equitable, sustainable and inclusive recovery practices currently being applied by Thailand? And how could we scale them up?<br><u>Speaker</u> : Ms. Patricia Mongkhonvanit, Director-General, Public Debt Management Office                                                                                        |

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| 15:20-15:30               | <p><i>Decent Green Jobs and Skills of the Future:</i> What are the decent green jobs of the future? What are the new skills needed from business, government, and academic?</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Ms. Sakuna Saranand, Member of the Committee on Science, Technology, Research and Innovation, House of Representatives</p>                                        |
| 15:30-15:40               | <p><i>Better Performing Industries and Supply Chains for a Just Transition:</i> How can we create better performing industries and supply chains for a just transition to more sustainable economies? which sectors are most critical?</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Ms. Salinla Seehaphan, Chief Sustainability Officer, Lotus's</p>                                       |
| 15:40-15:55               | <p><i>Session Discussion II:</i> How do we ensure that all communities can benefit from opportunities stemming from a sustainable and just transition? What kind of follow-up activities would you like to see from Stockholm+50?</p>                                                                                                                                |
| 15:55-16:50               | <p><b>Roundtable Discussion Session III: Panel Discussion on Accelerating the implementation of the environmental dimension of Sustainable Development in the context of the Decade of Action</b></p> <p><u>Moderator:</u> Ms. Nitchakan Daramatat, UNDP Thailand</p>                                                                                                |
| 15:55-16:00               | Welcome and Introduction                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 16:00-16:10               | <p><i>Challenges in the Decade of Action:</i> What are the biggest challenges we are facing in implementing the commitments to the 2030 Agenda and other environmental commitments (MEAs)?</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Dr. Kannika Thampanichvong, Senior Research Fellow, Thailand Development Research Institute (TDRI)</p>                                             |
| 16:10-16:20               | <p><i>An Enabling Environment for Delivery on the Ground:</i> How do we create an enabling environment for delivery environmentally sustainable development on the ground?</p> <p><u>Open to Participants' Opinions</u></p>                                                                                                                                          |
| 16:20-16:30<br>(w/slides) | <p><i>Partnership for a Green, Inclusive and Sustainable Economic Transformation:</i> What type of partnerships from a private sector perspective are needed to accelerate a green and sustainable economic transformation that leaves no one behind?</p> <p><u>Speaker:</u> Ms. Thanyaporn Krichtitayawuth, Executive Director, Global Compact Network Thailand</p> |
| 16:30-16:50               | <p><i>Session Discussion III:</i> What capacities and technologies are needed to improve human wellbeing in harmony with nature? What kind of follow-up activities would you like to see from Stockholm+50?</p>                                                                                                                                                      |

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| 16:50-17:00 | <b>Closing:</b> Remarks by Ms. Lovita Ramguttee, UNDP Deputy Resident Representative in Thailand |

### Online Registration

To register for the Stockholm+50 National Consultation Launch and Roundtable Discussions, please complete the on-line registration form at:

[https://undp.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlocOivgikiEtLBPFegXQng6iW9U6d-Ok\\_9](https://undp.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlocOivgikiEtLBPFegXQng6iW9U6d-Ok_9)

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

### Online Survey

Please participate in an online survey (in Thai language) by scanning the QR code below, or clicking here: <https://forms.gle/dNzZ2FoGqTfKC2PQ7>. Thank you for completing the survey by 15 April 2022.

For more information on the Stockholm+50 Thailand National Consultations and related activities, we are on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and LinkedIn, or please send us an email at [undp.thailand@undp.org](mailto:undp.thailand@undp.org) as well as visit the Stockholm+50 websites at: [Stockholm website](#) or [the sparkblue channel](#).

