Creating the World Anew: Leaving No One Behind
A side event for the 63rd Commission on the Status of Women

Concept note

A theme as weighty as providing social protection to all, particularly the most vulnerable-- the majority of whom are women and children-- must be considered in the light of a greater truth: that all of humanity is one, and all of humanity must benefit from the plentiful resources of our shared homeland.

In this event, panelists will offer perspectives on how we can address some of the social forces that give rise to the inequalities that disadvantage women and girls to begin with: moving away from an economic system that favors the few to the detriment of the collective and the natural world; drawing on the resources within a local community to provide quality education to all girls and boys; and transforming the structures of society into ones that promote collective prosperity.

Format:

This event will be conducted as an interactive, moderated panel discussion. Time will be set aside for a lively conversation in which participants can pose questions to the panelists and offer their own insights on the rich themes under discussion.

Panelists:

- **Laura Musonye** is a public health professional, who specializes in women's health. In addition to her specialization in Public Health, Laura has also studied clinical cytology at John's Hopkins University. She has worked for over a decade as a consultant in women's health organizations across Africa and is currently the Principal consultant at MODE Health Management. Her primary role is to strengthen health systems in Low to Middle Income Countries (LMIC's), through capacity building, policy review and sensitization and awareness.

- **Augusto Lopez-Claros** is the director of Global Indicators Group at the World Bank Group. He was chief economist and director of the Global Competitiveness program at the World Economic Forum in Geneva, and is also a former Resident Representative of the International Monetary Fund in Russia. He is the author of several books, including his most recent publication *Equality for Women = Prosperity for All*.

- **Saba Detweiler** is a Representative of Office of External Affairs of the Bahá’í community of Germany. Saba focuses on issues of migration and the role of religion in the public sphere in Germany. Ms. Detweiler also serves as a board member of “Beyond eV” supporting projects in Papua New Guinea and China regarding primary education and women’s empowerment.