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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

New York and the United Nations are very busy in September, with the annual opening of the General Assembly. FES New York is pleased to partner this year with the Women's Major Group for an important discussion on Thursday, 19 September in the UN's Trusteeship Council Chamber on strengthening gender justice and human rights to achieve sustainable development. I hope this Newsbrief will make for informative reading and I look forward to receiving your feedback.

With best wishes from New York,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Michèle Auga'.

Michèle Auga

Director
Friedrich Ebert Stiftung - New York Office

Upcoming Event:

"Strengthening Gender Justice and Human Rights to Achieve Sustainable Development"

**Thursday, September 19
New York, UNHQ, Trusteeship Council Chamber
3:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

In the run-up to the opening of the 68th UN General Assembly, FES together with the Women's Major Group (WGM), the Government of Timor-Leste, UN Women and the Permanent Mission of Norway, have organized an event to highlight women's perspectives from around the world on sustainable development themes including

gender equality, food sovereignty, decent work, sustainable energy, and climate change. Women's Major Group speakers will present perspectives from the Global South and share analyses and key recommendations for the Post 2015 sustainable development agenda. Brief responses will be followed by a moderated discussion with all participants. (Event is open to those with UN grounds passes.)

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Upcoming Event (By Invitation Only):

"How Can the High- Level Meeting Contribute to Progress in Nuclear Disarmament?"

Thursday, September 26

**New York, UNHQ, Trusteeship Council Chamber, Conference Room A
1:15 pm - 2:30 pm**

This discussion event will be co- hosted by the United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) and the Friedrich- Ebert Stiftung (FES) New York office, with the support of the Indonesian Permanent Mission to the United Nations. It is a side event organized during the High- Level Meeting (HLM) of the United Nations General Assembly on Nuclear Disarmament. Speakers and discussants of the side event will address how the High- Level Meeting and other initiatives, such as the recently established Open Ended Working Group (OEWG) on Taking Forward Multilateral Nuclear Disarmament Negotiations can reinvigorate the global quest for denuclearization. In particular, non- governmental organizations that have not been able to register with the HLM are encouraged to attend and should register by Thursday, 19 September 2013 with Mr. Anindityo Adi Primasto, Permanent Mission of the Republic of Indonesia to the United Nations in New York by email at aprimasto@yahoo.com.

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