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HIGH LEVEL DIALOGUE - GENDER EQUALITY AND EDUCATION

When:26 January, 2017

Where: Economic Commission for Africa (ECA) Headquarters, Addis Ababa

Time: 09:00 am – 5:00pm

Theme: Gender Equality and Education

Who: The meeting will be hosted by the AU International Center for Girls' and Women's Education in Africa (AU CIEFFA), Royal Norwegian Embassy in Ethiopia, UNESCO-IICBA, UNICEF, Save the Children, Plan International

Participants: AUC Chairperson or her Representative, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Norway, AU Ministers of Higher Education, Ministers of Education, Ministers Responsible for Gender & Women's Affairs; Regional Economic Communities, civil society organizations, as well as activists for girls 'education. Private sector/ foundations and representatives of international organizations.

Objectives:

This Consultation aims to

- (i) Revitalize the momentum on gender equality and women's rights with a view to promoting internationally agreed development goals including Agenda 2063, the SDGs, as well as the Continental Education Strategy for Africa (CESA 2016-2025);
- (ii) Ensure the rights to education for girls and young women, as central to the implementation of Agenda 2063 and the SDGs;
- (iii) Encourage greater inclusion of all advocates for education, women's rights, gender equality and the empowerment of women in national and international policy dialogue and decision-making processes.

Journalists are invited to cover the High Level Dialogue on Gender, Equality and Education on 26th January, 2017 as well as the Press Conference at 10:30 am.

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