CSM Side Event

The impact of extractivism on women’s right to food and the struggle for a just transition

Addressing root causes of violence against women and the way ahead for concrete solutions towards the achievement of the Agenda 2030

Panelists:
- Samantha Hargreaves, WoMin, South Africa
- Chaturika Sewwandi, Vikalpani National Women’s Federation, Sri Lanka
- Laura Hurtado, Country Director of ActionAid, Guatemala (over phone from Geneva)
- Dercy Teles de Carvalho Cunha, President of the Rural Workers’ Union of the municipality of Xapuri and President of the Association of Small Farmers, Amazon/Brazil

Moderator:
- Azra Sayeed, International Women’s Alliance, Pakistan

The side event wants to explore the different aspects of the extractivism industries (from monoculture plantations to mining) and intends to make a linkage on how the environmental and health impacts of this model of production are directly affecting women’s right to food and their empowerment. The event also wants to highlight what role can CFS play looking towards the upcoming CFS workstream on gender equality and women’s empowerment, to ensure a just transition towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda. Moreover, we will also address how violence against women is strictly linked to women’s food insecurity and malnutrition and often, how violence is worsened when women live in areas where extractives projects are taking place.

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