

# HIGH-LEVEL GROUP ON JUSTICE FOR WOMEN



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### HIGH-LEVEL GROUP TO PROMOTE JUSTICE FOR WOMEN

*The Hague, May 25, 2018* – The newly established High-level Group on Justice for Women will meet for the first time on Monday, May 28, and Tuesday, May 29, 2018 in The Hague to discuss strategies to tackle the unmet need for justice of women in all countries.

The event will be opened by Sigrid Kaag, Minister for Foreign Trade and Development Cooperation of the Netherlands, who will be joined by members of the High-level Group including:

- Hon. Abubacarr Murie Tamedou, Attorney General and Minister of Justice of the Republic of The Gambia;
- Hon. María Fernanda Rodríguez, Deputy Minister of Justice of Argentina;
- Hon. Nathalie G. Drouin, Deputy Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada;
- Irene Khan, Director-General, IDLO;
- Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka, United Nations Under-Secretary-General and Executive Director, UN Women;
- Sandie Okoro, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, World Bank;
- Dubravka Šimonovic, United Nations Special Rapporteur on ending violence against women.

Women and girls play a critical role in the creation and maintenance of peaceful, just and inclusive societies. In turn, having peaceful, just and inclusive societies is an essential prerequisite for gender equality.

The High-level Group will advocate for the prioritization of women's justice concerns as part of the Sustainable Development Goals.

At the two-day inaugural meeting, organized by IDLO, the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies, and UN Women, the High-level Group will begin its work by developing concrete recommendations on access to justice for women and girls. The recommendations will feed into the work of the Task Force on Justice, established by the Pathfinders for Peaceful, Just and Inclusive Societies (co-chaired by Minister Kaag) with a view to advancing the successful implementation of SDG 16.3 and related targets of the 2030 Agenda.

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