

## International Forum – Women and Power

Bogotá Chamber of Commerce Auditorium

Bogotá, May 24-25, 2007

Convened by Dilian Francisca Toro, President of the Colombian Congress, and the Women's Caucus of the Colombian Congress

### Agenda (V29)

#### Thursday, May 24, 2007

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| 7:30-10:00  | 150 | <b>Registration</b>  |
| 10:00-10:30 | 30  | <b>Opening Remarks</b><br>Dilian Francisca Toro, President of the Congress<br>Luis Eduardo Garzón, Mayor of Bogotá<br>Alvaro Uribe, President of Colombia  |
| 10:30-1:00  | 150 | <b>Panel 1: Women's Leadership in Political Parties</b><br>Moderator: Magdalena León, Investigator and International Consultant<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>Epsy Campbell, President, Citizens' Action Party, Costa Rica<br>Patricia Bullrich, President, Unity for All Party, Argentina<br>Balbina Herrera, Minister of Housing, First Under-Secretary of PRD, Panamá<br>Gloria Inés Ramírez, Senator, Board of Directors of Polo Democrático Alternativo, Colombia<br>Alexandra Moreno Piraquive, Senator and President of MIRA, Colombia  |
| 1:00-2:30   | 90  | Free Lunch   |
| 2:30-4:30   | 120 | <b>Panel 2: Threats, Achievements, and Opportunities of Women in Executive Power</b><br>Moderator: María Emma Wills, Director, Department of Political Science, Universidad de los Andes, Colombia<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>Fatemeh Vaez Javadi, Vice President of the Republic of Iran<br>Renuka Choudum, Minister of Women, India<br>Hong Tianhui, Vice President of the Foundation of Women, China<br>Martha Lucía Ramírez, Senator, former co-director of Partido de la U, Colombia<br>Cecilia María Vélez, Minister of Education, Colombia   |
| 4:30-5:00   | 30  | Coffee Break   |
| 5:00-7:30   | 150 | <b>Panel 3: Women Legislating</b><br>Moderator: Elizabeth Ungar, Director, Congreso Visible, Colombia<br><b>Panelists:</b><br>Aida Mirta Lazo de Hornoun, Senator, Perú<br>Erica Maria Brockman, Ex Deputy, Member of the Political Forum of Women, Bolivia<br>Celia Flores, President of the National Assembly, Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela*<br>Kim Sun Mi, Member of Parliament, South Korea<br>Suhiella Jelodar, Member of Parliament, Iran<br>Claudia Rodríguez de Castellanos, Senator, Radical Change<br>Mvriam Paredes, Chamber of Representatives, Conservative Party, Colombia |

Shirley Barnes, The Shirley Barnes Foundation, Madagascar  
Clara Inés Vargas, Magistrate of the Constitutional Court, Colombia  
Piedad Córdoba, Senator, former director of the Liberal Party, Colombia  
Gina Parody, Senator, Partido de la U.

- 0:30-11:00 30 Coffee Break
- 1:00-1:00 120 **Panel 5: Women and Economics**  
Moderador: Martha Juliana Silva, President, Bogotá Fiduciary  
**Panelists:**  
Wu Xiaoling, President of the People's Bank, China  
Margot Dofman, President of the United States Women's Chamber of  
Commerce, USA  
Maria Fernanda Campo, Bogotá Chamber of Commerce, Colombia  
Cecilia López, Senator, Liberal Party, former Minister of Agriculture, Colombia  
Martha Lucía Vásquez, Presidential Adviser for Women's Equality, Colombia,  
and Vice President of the Inter-American Commission of Women of  
the OAS
- :00-2:30 90 Free Lunch
- 2:30-4:30 120 **Panel 6: Mechanisms to further women's political participation**  
Moderador: Isabel Londoño Polo, Ed.D, Director of the foundation Women for  
Colombia  
**Panelists:**  
Beatriz Paredes, President, PRI, Mexico  
Zaida Arguedas, International Vice President, League of Women Voters, USA  
Marcela del Mar Suazo, Director, Latin America and the Caribbean, UNFPA,  
USA  
Dilian Francisca Toro, Senator, Partido de la U, President of the Congress,  
Colombia  
Liliana Ayalde, Director of USAID Colombia, Advice Assessor, Campaign for  
More Political Women
- 4:30-5:00 30 Coffee Break
- 5:00-7:00 120 **Panel 7: Women and the Media**  
Moderador: María Jimena Dussán, Journalist, Colombia  
**Panelists:**  
Gabriela Saba, Journalist, Diario de la República, Italy  
Roberto Pombo, Editor, El Tiempo  
Florance Thomas, Columnist  
Lucrecia Ramirez, Psychiatrist  
Gustavo Bell, Director, El Heraldo, Colombia  
Alvaro Garcia, News Director, RCN TV  
Paulo Lasserna, Director, Caracol TV
- 7:00-8:00 60 **Closing Ceremony:** Signing of Pact for Women