



Circular 2/2024

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To: NFA Presidents and Coordinators of International Relations, and GWI Members

From: GWI Headquarters

Subject: **Call for Delegates to the 69th Commission on the Status of Women (CSW69) in New York, 10 to 21 March 2025**

The CSW69 will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 10 to 21 March 2025.

The CSW69 priority theme is, “the review and appraisal of the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action and the outcomes of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly.”

The review theme is, “an assessment of current challenges that affect the implementation of the Platform for Action and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women and its contribution towards the full realization of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.”

GW I Call for Official United Nations Delegates – Deadline to submit application is Friday, 15 November 2024

Once again, GWI is pleased to invite National Federation and Association (NFA) members who are interested in participating to propose their candidacy. Accreditation for the United Nations (UN Women) portion of CSW69 is strictly limited to 20 in-person individual delegates who will be chosen by the GWI Board of Officers based on the following criteria:

- Each candidate is required to have the full endorsement of their NFA President or CIR for consideration be given. The CSW69 Candidate Endorsement Form signed by the President or CIR must accompany the delegate application.
- Formidable experience with the United Nations advocacy/lobbying process is a plus.
- Strong knowledge of GWI mission and vision and willingness to network on behalf of GWI.
- Preparedness to attend daily sessions.
- Readiness to participate in GWI briefings during CSW69.
- Willingness to prepare short report summaries of CSW69 sessions attended; photos and captions are encouraged as well.



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Please note: - Applicants can only be considered if their 2024 NFA dues have been paid in full before submitting application.

We encourage as many members as possible to participate in the CSW Forum, organized by the Committee on the Status of Women, that is the civil society session that will be held in-person and virtual alongside the UN Women CSW69. Further registration details will be provided in due course.

Please click [here](#) to download the CSW69 Delegate Application:

<https://graduatewomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/CSW69-Delegate-Application-Form-v1.docx>

Please click [here](#) to download the CSW69 Delegate Endorsement Form:

<https://graduatewomen.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/CSW69-Candidate-Endorsement-Form-v1.docx>

Some delegate spaces will be reserved for members of NFAs presenting CSW69 side or parallel events and/or for GWI visiting panel experts. Priority will be given to members who are willing to attend for at least five days and who indicate the highest level of motivation to participate on behalf of GWI.

Members who are interested in participating as part of GWI's delegation must submit an official delegate CSW69 Application Form and CSW69 Candidate Endorsement Form. Both forms must be emailed to the GWI Office to membership@graduatewomen.org no later than **Friday, 15 November 2024** at **midnight Central European Time (CET)**. This deadline will be strictly enforced as some selected candidates will need adequate time to complete the United States of America visa application process.

******Please include in the subject line of your email: GWI CSW69 Delegate Application******

Regretfully, GWI cannot fund delegate travel, accommodation, subsistence or other costs association the CSW69.

We look forward to receiving your application.