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Agenda for The 68th Session of the United Nations Commission on the Status of Women (CSW68):

Empowering Women to Use the Potential of Artificial Intelligence for Achieving Food Security and Alleviating Poverty

Date: Monday 18th March 2024

Venue: Ballroom 21st Fl

The Permanent Mission of Nigeria to The United Nations

828 Second Avenue New York, N.Y. 10017

Time: 1:00 pm – 4:30 pm ET

1.00PM – 2.03PM	Opening Segment
1.00PM – 1.10PM	Welcome Remarks by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E. George Ehidiemen Edokpa, Esq Ambassador /Deputy Permanent Representative of Nigeria to the United Nations (TBC) -1.00PM-1.05PM • Dr. Ugoji Adanma Eze, Esq, CEO and President, Renew Our Earth -1.05PM-1.10PM
1.10PM - 1.25 PM	Opening Statements by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E.Mr. Omar Hilale, Permanent Representative of the kingdom of Morocco to the United Nations - 1.10PM-1.15PM • Under -Secretary -General Cristina Duarte, Special Adviser on Africa to the United Nations Secretary-General -1.15PM-1.25PM
1.25-PM - 1.45PM	Keynote Address by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • H.E.Mr. Antolio Ndong Mba, Permanent Representative of Equatorial Guinea to the United Nations -1.25PM -1.35PM

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Edward Mermelstein, Commissioner, Mayors Office for International Affairs -1.35PM-1.45PM
	<p>Moderator: Dr. Ugoji Eze, Esq. CEO and President, Renew Our Earth Member of The New York City Bar Association, United Nations Committee. Secretary, Human Rights and Rule of Law Committee, African Bar Association, Lay Adviser, New York Board of Rabbis</p>
1.45PM -1.50 PM	Musical Interlude: Christina and Peter Edwards, Ontario Canada -1.45PM -1.50PM
1.50PM - 2.03 PM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Pragna Nidumolu, CEO Ecoteens-1.50PM -1.57PM • Mr. Rajiv Jadhav, CEO Rsquare Media, Inc -1.57PM -2.03PM
2.03PM – 3.25PM	Panel Discussions
	<p>Panelists:</p> <p><u>Panel 1:</u> Women hold up half the sky (2.03PM – 2.24PM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms. Ida Jallow, Senior Liasion Officer, ITU- 2.03PM -2.10PM • Ms. Pragna Nidumolu, CEO Ecoteens -2.10PM-2.17PM • Ms. Maya Kong, AI Pioneer -2.17PM-2.24PM <p style="text-align: center;">Question and Answer session (2.24PM – 2.44PM)</p> <p><u>Panel 2:</u> Men at the table (2.44PM – 3.05PM)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. Thabo Steven Kawana, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Information and Media, Zambia - 2.44PM-2.51PM • Dr. Muritala Sambo, Esq Special Legal Adviser Legal Affairs to the Executive Governor of Kwara State of Nigeria – VIA ZOOM- 2.51-2.58PM • Mr. Rajiv Jadhav CEO Rsquare Media Inc -2.58PM -3.05 PM <p style="text-align: center;">Question and Answer session (3.05PM – 3.25PM)</p>
3.25PM – 3.35 PM	Musical Interlude – Christine and Peter Edwards, Ontario Canada
3.35PM - 4.00PM	<p>Interactive Session- Open floor Moderator: Dr. Ugoji A. Eze, Esq</p>
	<p>Guiding Questions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> What are the major drivers which are leading to food insecurity and malnutrition before the COVID 19 pandemic unfolded? How can we take advantage of the opportunities presented by AI to support small-scale farmers and eradicate poverty, enhance rural development and improve food security? How can Research and Development (R&D) through Public-Private-Producer Partnership (PPPP) improve the use of novel technologies and make them appropriate to developing countries conditions? How can AI uplift existing practices and strategies in order to achieve productivity and sustainability goals effectively and efficiently? How might we use Artificial Intelligence to design resilient food systems that better adapt to, anticipate and / or mitigate shocks? How can we address the inextricable nexus between food security, migration, and climate action?

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> g. What policies and programs can countries implement to utilize Artificial Intelligence in food security, improved nutrition, and affordable healthy diets for all? h. What practical steps can countries undertake to ensure that pre-existing negative indicators to Sustainable Development Goals are curbed to pave way for the new ideas and opportunities offered by the COVID-19 situation? i. What examples of good practices are available in food security, improved nutrition, and affordable diets for all?
4.10 – 4.15 PM	Closing Segment
	Closing Remarks by Dr. Ugoji Adamma Eze, Esq