What's New, Webby?



By Ramya Rajagopalan (ramya.rajagopalan@ gmail.com), Programme Associate, ICSF

The 2015 Beijing +20 Review Process

The fifty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) will take place at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 9 to 20 March 2015.

The main focus of the session will be on the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, including the current challenges that affect its implementation and the achievement of gender equality and the empowerment of women. The Commission will undertake a review of progress made in the implementation of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action, 20 years after its adoption at the Fourth World Conference on Women in 1995. The review (Beijing +20) will also include the outcomes of the 23rd special session of the General Assembly, the first five-year assessment conducted after

the adoption of the Platform for Action, which highlighted further actions and initiatives. The regional commissions of the United Nations will undertake regional reviews. Both the national and regional review processes will feed into the global review.

The critical areas of concern include women and the environment; women in power and decision-making; the girl child; women and the economy; women and poverty; violence against women; the human rights of women; education and training of women; institutional mechanisms for the advancement of women; women and health; women and the media and women and armed conflict.

www.unwomen.org/en/csw/csw59-2015. 🛂