

Taiwan Gender Equality Week 2023

The Commission on the Status of Women (CSW) is the United Nations' principal intergovernmental body dedicated to the promotion of gender equality and women's empowerment. It is the highest women's human rights commission in the United Nations. The annual meeting of the CSW has been held at UN headquarters in New York since 1987.

The 67th session of the CSW (CSW67) will be held in person this year from March 6 to 17. The priority theme will be “innovation and technological change, and education in the digital age for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls.”

Taiwan is internationally recognized for advancing gender equality. During CSW67, Taiwan nongovernmental organizations will promote gender equality initiatives. At side events, they will share Taiwan's gender equality achievements. These actions will continue to elevate Taiwan's image.

Alongside the CSW67, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Foundation of Women's Rights Promotion and Development will hold several events to celebrate Taiwan Gender Equality Week.

1. Taiwan Night – Celebrating Women in Tech

Taiwan Night will be held at the Taipei Economic and Cultural Office (TECO) in New York at 19:00 (EST) on March 7. Attendees will include distinguished guests from Taiwan's diplomatic allies, overseas Taiwanese, NGOs, and Taiwan's CSW67 delegation.

Featuring thematic films and a hybrid “multiverse” fashion show, the event will underscore Taiwan's commitment to gender equality and showcase the successes achieved by its public and private sectors working jointly to

further technological development and gender equality.

Taiwan Night – Celebrating Women in Tech TECO in New York March 7 at 19:00 (EST)	
19:00~19:02	TGEW Thematic Video
19:02~19:12	Opening: - James K. J. Lee , Director-General, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York / Head of UN Affairs Task Force in New York - <i>The Hon. Themba Masuku, Deputy Prime Minister of Eswatini</i>
19:12~19:15	Remarks: Tsau Saiou Yue , Professor, The Department of Interaction Design, National Taipei University of Technology
19:15~19:18	Taiwan Women’s Innovation Power Video
19:18~19:40	Multiverse Fashion Show
19:40~19:45	Group Photo
19:45~	Reception

2. Taiwan Main Stage: Promoting Gender Equality in the Digital Age

Taiwan Main Stage: Promoting Gender Equality in the Digital Age will be held at TECO in New York at 18:30 (EST) on March 9. In line with the theme of the CSW67, it will highlight the initiatives of Taiwan NGOs, as well as gendered innovations in science and technology.

Distinguished guests from Taiwan’s diplomatic allies and international NGOs will be invited to speak on such topics as the integration of technology and gender equality, improving women’s participation in decision-making in the digital era, and the urgent need for inclusiveness in science and technology.

Taiwan Main Stage: Promoting Gender Equality in the Digital Age TECO in New York March 9 at 18:30 (EST)	
18:30~18:33	Opening: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • James K. J. Lee, Director-General, Taipei Economic and Cultural Office in New York / Head of UN Affairs Task Force in New York
18:33~18:38	Group Photo
18:38~18:45	Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Betül Yürük, Vice President, The U.N. Correspondents Association (UNCA) Executive Committee Pre-recorded Keynote Address: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>H. E. Uduch Sengebau Senior, Vice President of the Republic of Palau</u>
18:45~19:05	Panel Discussion 1 Moderator: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Betül Yürük, Vice President, The U.N. Correspondents Association (UNCA) Executive Committee Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Hon. Alvina Reynolds, President of the Senate of Saint Lucia • Yi-Juang Chern, Deputy Minister, National Science and Technology Council, Taiwan

19:05~19:35	<p>Panel Discussion 2</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Betül Yürük, Vice President, The U.N. Correspondents Association (UNCA) Executive Committee <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u><i>Carolien Demey, President, Soroptimist International of Europe (SIE)</i></u> • <u><i>Nai-Ying Monica Ko, Vice Chairperson of the Committee on International Affairs, Taiwan Nurses Association</i></u> • <u><i>Vivi Lin, Founder & CEO, With Red & Period Museum</i></u>
19:35~19:45	Q&A

3. NGO CSW67 Forum

In this year's NGO CSW67, from March 6 to March 17, there will be 31 parallel events from Taiwan's NGOs, with 16 in-person events and 15 virtual events.

Taiwan's NGOs will share their practical experiences and suggestions about freeing women from technology-facilitated GBV and making them reach their full potential through technology.