

Saturday - IFUW Plenary 4 UN Panel
Kathleen Laurila

NYC Rep. Catherine Moore

- What influenced her:

Mary Purcell, her predecessor - Use networking and intervention

IFUW Presidents with whom she worked - different approaches

- recommends finding a niche and focusing on that for in-depth information and connections

- network with other NGOs - example: Project 5-O group

Geneva Rep. Hillevi Perraudin

- network among the NGOs remains strong

- focus on Human Rights

- participate on NGO committees - become known among them

- role of NFAs in their own countries is critical to success at UN centers, including monitoring of UN Meetings and CEDAW country reports

Paris Rep. Elaine Didier

- UNESCO/NGO Liaison Committee

- Conducted study related to 1) environment & ethics; 2) biomedical ethics

- for next three years: Collective Consultation of NGO/EFA (Education for All)

Vienna Rep. Nesrin Goker

- participate at CSW

- UN agencies for narcotic drugs, and trafficking

- Forums: women's rights, ageing, crime prevention - trafficking, femicide

Vienna Rep. Jeanne Sarson

- Non-State Torture - UN language for person doing the act, not police, military, gov't,

- 2011 law applies equally to men and women

Eileen Focke-Bakker, VVAO

- attended CSW for first time: excellent experience

- recommendations: need to communicate UN information in additional methods; need a final report from IFUW; approach every CSW as a project using project management system

Beatrice Kapindula-Simposa, Tunisia

- attended SW for first time: excellent experience

- encouraged by the number of men in attendance as well as diversity

- good for knowledge-sharing

- Limitations: inadequate orientation by IFUW; limited access badges; inadequate time to interact among IFUW delegates - meet every day; disappointed by lack of attention by UN GA members during the sessions

- Role of NFAs: process the information they receive about UN issues and teach members, discuss theses, collaborate with other NGOs + ***work with governments ahead of time; ***learn about the MDGs and the outcomes

Audience suggestion: IFUW should assign mentors for first-time participants at CSW