



On the occasion of the
the 63rd Commission on the Status of Women
 the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, UNICEF
 and the GAGE consortium coordinated by ODI invite you to attend

Gender- and Adolescent- Responsive Social Protection

Unleashing the Potential of Social Protection for
 Adolescent Girls and Women

Conference Room 1 (CR1),
 United Nations Headquarters,
 New York, NY 10017

Thursday 12th March 2019
 10.00 - 11.15am

Opening remarks

The Rt Hon Penny Mordaunt MP
 Secretary of State for International Development, the United Kingdom

Henrietta E Fore
 Executive Director, UNICEF

Moderated by
Femi Oke

Further details to be confirmed

Social protection can improve adolescent girls' lives today and transform their futures.

This event is a chance to hear from leading voices in social protection how programmes can better **address life course vulnerabilities and break inter-generational cycles of poverty**. It will demonstrate the need for **adolescent- and gender-responsive policy, programmes and research to build effective social protection systems**.

Over the last decade, the understanding of **adolescence as a critical window of opportunity** to accelerate development has increased, yet social protection systems still do not systematically target the needs of adolescents, especially the promotion of gender equality. A new approach will ensure no girl or woman is left behind.

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