

Please Join Us for a Two-Panel Event!

Linking Gender Perspectives and UN Security and Participation Priorities

in celebration of and in preparation for the

Commission on the Status of Women (CSW)

and the

General Assembly Debate on the “Third Pillar” of the Responsibility to Protect

Tuesday, 21 February 2012

**Baha’i Conference Room, 866 United Nations Plaza
10am-1pm**

With the CSW deliberations on issues and needs impacting rural women fast approaching this February and with the GA's ‘Responsibility to Protect Third Pillar’ debate scheduled for this summer, we invite you to a two-panel discussion focused on these critical discussions with serious consequences for women's security and opportunities for full participation.

10:15- 11:30: Panel 1: *From the Philippines to Indigenous Communities in the US: Participation and Security Sector Barriers for Rural Women*

Featuring Donna Chavis, director, Native Americans in Philanthropy and Mavic Cabrera Balleza, director, Global Network of Women Peacebuilders

11:45-1:00: Panel 2: *Incorporating a Gender lens into the Responsibility to Protect Framework for Addressing Mass Atrocities*

Featuring Naomi Kikoler, director of policy and advocacy, Global Center for RtoP and Maria Butler, PeaceWomen Project Director, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom

Light refreshments will be served

**For further information, please contact Melina Lito, melina@globalactionpw.org
Kindly RSVP before 13 February 2012**