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To All Members
Women, Peace and Security Focal Points Network

**INVITATION TO THE FOURTH CAPITAL-LEVEL MEETING OF THE
WOMEN, PEACE AND SECURITY FOCAL POINTS NETWORK**
18-19 MAY 2022, GENEVA, PALAIS des NATIONS, SWITZERLAND

Dear Colleagues,

Switzerland and South Africa are pleased to invite you to the fourth capital-level meeting of the Women, Peace and Security Focal Points Network, which will take place in Geneva, Switzerland from 18 to 19 May 2022.

The Network will be gathered under the co-chairship theme: “*Partnering for Change - Translating the Women, Peace and Security Agenda into Action.*” This theme embodies the objective of the Network as a global platform advancing the implementation of the WPS agenda through cooperation and captures the partnership between South Africa and Switzerland.

Building on the substantial work done by previous chairs and co-chairs, the meeting in Geneva will focus on two interrelated pillars of the WPS agenda, *participation of women in peace processes* and the *protection of women’s rights*.

The capital-level meeting will mark the resumption of in-person meetings for the Network after two years of virtual meetings due to the Covid-19 pandemic. We therefore cordially invite you to attend the meeting in-person. Having regard to current circumstances, however, the event will be held in hybrid format.

Please RSVP at [this registration link](#) until Friday, 1 April 2022. For any queries, contact the Network Secretariat at: WPSfocalpointsnetwork@unwomen.org

The concept and the programme of the event will be shared in due course.

Sincerely,

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