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Accelerating Women’s Inclusion in Water

Water insecurity has a disproportionate effect on women and girls, in terms of likelihood of food insecurity, personal safety concerns, vulnerability to disasters, and water-borne disease risks. Similarly, women are significantly underrepresented in water leadership roles, where critical decisions on water investments and allocation of water resources are made. This session will address these inequalities, including access to safely managed water supply and sanitation, decision-making on water resources, and representation in roles of leadership as policymakers and professionals.

Wednesday, 22 March 2023
2:00 - 3:15 p.m. (GMT-5)
Side Event Room B
UN Headquarters, New York

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