

14:30 - 16:00 - Parallel Session 3 & 4



Session 3: Gender

About the Gender Study Group

This group aims to provide a forum for researchers, academics and NGOs with an interest in the relationship between gender and development. Gender inequality has been clearly identified as a barrier to achieving healthy, thriving, democratic societies. Building knowledge and understanding of the dynamics of gender at the intersection of various aspects of development work, including governance and security, gender based violence, HIV, economic empowerment, human rights, and more, is essential.

PRESENTATIONS

Chaired by Michelle Hesso

- **'Climate Change and Socio-Economic Development Among Rural Women: Implications for Developmental Social Work Practice in Zimbabwe'**

Dickson Machimbidza, University of Zimbabwe &

Dr. Vincent Mabvurira of Associate Professor (PhD), School of Psycho-social Health, North-West University, South Africa.

- **'Women, Climate Change and Sustainable Development in Africa'**

Ngunjiri Ndirangu, PhD Finance Student, University of Nairobi

- **'Empowerment of victims/survivors of human rights violations in Strategic Litigation, focus on women'**

Leigh Brady, Governance and Human Rights Advisor, Trocaire; Research supervisor