Dear Multiplier Point Representatives,

I am pleased to draw your attention to the **Round Table on Gender and Economy**, which will be organized by the UNECE as part of the International Conference on Strengthening Sub-regional Economic Cooperation in Central Asia and the Future Role of the UN Special Programme for the Economies of Central Asia (SPECA), which will be held in Astana, Kazakhstan, on 25-27 May 2005.

The Round table will be held on May 26 in parallel to the plenary session. Its conclusions will be reported to the closing session of the Conference. Main objectives and themes of the Round Table are to discuss:

- Priority actions in the implementation of the Beijing +10 Review in the area of women and economy
- Experiences and good practices in selected areas, especially in relation to improving women’s employability
- Areas of cooperation among various international and regional organizations and donors
- Possibility of developing a new sub-programme on gender and economy within SPECA


Please do not hesitate to contact us, should you need additional information.

Best Regards,

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