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## Council of Europe event on equal political participation of women and men at the UN in New York

**Date:** 3 March 2009

**Time:** 13.15 h – 14.30 h

**Location:** Conference Room 4, United Nations Headquarters in New York

**Description:** The Council of Europe, the Ministry for Equality of Spain and the Permanent Representation of Spain to the United Nations are organising a side event during the 53rd Session of the UN Commission on the Status of Women.

The title of the meeting is *"Equal participation of women and men in political and public decision making: a fundamental criterion of democracy"*. The keynote speakers will be Maud de Boer Buquicchio, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe, and Bibiana Aído, Minister for Gender Equality of Spain.

**Practical information:** The meeting is open to the press. Journalists interested in attending the meeting or in interviews with the speakers should contact the press officer below.

### Programme

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