On the way to Biarritz:
Women’s Rights at the heart of the G7 Summit
The G7 Summit as a booster to tackle gender inequality worldwide

— CSW63 side event —
Organised by the NGOs CARE France and Equipop
Sponsored by France and Canada

Tuesday, 12 March 2019, 11.30am to 12.45pm
United Nations Building, NYC, Room CR4-CR2

High-level panelists include:

- **Ms Marlène SCHIAPPA**, Secretary of State for Gender Equality, France
- **Ms Maryam MONSEF**, Minister of International Development and Minister for Women and Gender Equality, Canada
- **Ms Hélène Marie Laurence ILBOUDO**, Minister for Women, National solidarity and Family, Burkina Faso (tbc)
- **Ms N’Tchim Ephrasie COULIBALY**, President of the Young Ambassadors’ Network for Reproductive Health and Family Planning, Ivory Coast
- **Ms Katja IVERSEN**, Director of Women Deliver, Member of the G7 Gender Equality Advisory Council
- **Ms Lyric THOMPSON**, Director of Policy and Advocacy, International Center for Research on Women (ICRW)

Moderation by **Ms Sophie CHASSOT**, Advocacy officer on Women’s rights, CARE France

**Background**

Following the 2018 G7 Summit in Canada, which led to key commitments to advance women’s and girls’ rights, France has chosen the fight for gender equality as a key priority theme under the French G7 presidency in 2019. The 2019 G7 Summit offers a tremendous opportunity to adopt new ambitious commitments, both political and financial, to promote women’s and girls’ rights within G7 countries and beyond.

The stakes are high because all over the world, and particularly in developing countries, women and girls face a wide range of inequalities and different types of discrimination regarding their access to and control over resources and power, and their rights are often violated. G7 leaders have a responsibility to take into account women’s and girls’ voices and to take action to fight such inequalities globally.

Organised by CARE France and Equipop, and sponsored by France and Canada, this event will contribute to initiate a dialogue between international civil society and G7 countries on priority issues related to women’s and girls’ rights across the globe. It will aim at discussing over the commitments to be made during the 2019 G7 Summit to fight gender inequality and at enshrining them in the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

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