

**UNESCO Intergovernmental Conference on Cultural Policies for Development  
The Power of Culture**

Agora Session 20 - "Women, Equality and Cultural Policies"  
31 March 1998, 15h00 to 18h00

**Conference Programme**

**15h00 Introduction and Outlook: Women in the Arts and in Cultural Policies**

Chair: Overview and Policy Options, Dr. Ritva Mitchell, President, ERICarts

Keynote Address: President Vigdis Sinnbogadottir, Iceland

**15h45 Debate I: Gender Issues in Cultural Decision-Making**

Chair: Ms. Ingrid Eide, UNESCO Culture and Development Steering Committee, Norway

Ms. Marita Ulvskog, Minister for Culture, Sweden

Ms. Eileene Parsons, Minister of Education and Culture, British Virgin Islands

Dr. Patricia Adkins Chiti, Commissioner, Italian National Commission for Equal Opportunities for Men and Women, Privy Council, Italy.

**16h45 Debate II: Political Action, Networking and Research: Stockholm and Beyond**

Chair: Prof. Dr. Andreas Wiesand, Secretary General, ERICarts

Dr. Margarita Dalton, Director of the Oaxaqueño de las Culturas, Oaxaqueño, Mexico

Ms. Gail Smith, SANGO NET, South Africa

Ms. Monique Dental, Service des Droits des Femmes, Ministère de l'emploi et de la Solidarité, France

**17h30 Discussion: Recommendations for Conference Action Plan**