

Statement of Ireland

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Interactive Dialogue with the Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls, its causes and consequences

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Chair,

Ireland thanks the Special Rapporteur for her report and aligns with the statement of the European Union.

Ireland is working to play its role in addressing the climate crisis and to ensure that no one is left behind.

Promoting gender equality is a key priority for us and we are acutely aware of the importance of an intersectional approach to this. We thank the Special Rapporteur in particular for highlighting the ways in which certain groups are particularly at risk due to multiple and intersecting forms of discrimination and structural inequalities.

Madam Special Rapporteur, Ireland welcomes your call for a "whole-of-society" approach to ending sexual and gender-based violence, including men and boys, and strongly supports your call to ensure that women and girls are seen as resilient change makers. Could you provide any practical advice, or examples of best practice, to inform this approach?