

**Ownership, Partnerships and Results – Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment  
Make the Accra Agenda for Action a Reality**

Background and objectives:

The objective would be to have a clear message and commitment at the Accra HLF that only through working to achieve gender equality and women's empowerment will we reach the overarching goals of the Paris Declaration of "...reducing poverty and inequality, increasing growth, building capacity and accelerating achievement of the MDGs" . The ultimate aim of both Paris and Accra is to improve development results and impacts for poor women, men and children.

The event will be in 3 parts:

- Keynote speakers will briefly address ownership, partnerships and results - the themes of the Accra Agenda for Action.
- \_ the European Commission and UNIFEM will briefly "showcase" the EC/UN Partnership on Gender Equality for Development and Peace - a practical example of partnership in action, and
- the Danish Minister for Development Co-operation will present MDG3 torches to Ministers who are prepared "to do something extra" to achieve MDG3 - gender equality and women's empowerment.