LET'S CLOSE THE GENDER GAP ON THE INTERNET

WIKIGap

Peace Hotel in Mogadishu, Somalia - by invitation only
Thursday, 8 March 2018, 10:00-12:00, followed by lunch

The Ambassador of Sweden to Somalia, Andreas von Uexkull, with International Media Support (IMS) and Fojo Media Institute, invite you to the first ever WikiGap event in Mogadishu, Somalia on 8 March 2018.

WikiGap is an initiative by Swedish embassies and Wikimedia to gather people around the world to increase the representation of articles about women on Wikipedia - and also highlight the need for articles written by women.

PROGRAMME

09:00-10:00	Registration & welcome
10:00-10:15	Opening by the Swedish Ambassador, Andreas von Uexkull
10:15-10:30	Mayor of Mogadishu and Governor of Banadir Region, Abdirahman Omar Osman
10:30-10:35	Introduction to WikiGap
10:35-11:30	Panel discussion
11:30-12:00	Q & A with the audience
12:00-12:10	Launch of Baseline Study on Working Conditions of Somali Women Journalists
12:10-13:00	Lunch

Wikipedia is the world's largest online and user-generated encyclopaedia. Its content has the potential to colour our view of the world. But there is great imbalance on Wikipedia, like in society at large. Ninety per cent of those who add content are men. There are more than four times as many articles about men as there are about women. The figures vary regionally, but the picture is clear: information about women is less extensive than that about men.

We want to help change this on 8 March. Fresh content about Somali women produced by Somali women uploaded onto Somali Wikipedia will be presented during the event and there will be a panel discussion on the impact of women in society and the importance of making influential women in Somalia more visible. Come and meet some of the women portrayed for Somali Wikipedia, the women who made the portraits, and many others during the event on 8 March.

RSVP latest 6 March at 12:00 due to security clearance to mjk@mediasupport.org

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