





The United Nations presents

WARRIORS

Directed by Barney Douglas & Michael Elson

The screening will be followed by a panel discussion with:



BARNEY DOUGLAS

Barney is the Director of Warriors. It is his debut feature documentary, having previously worked extensively across the globe with the England cricket team. He now runs Heavy Soul Films and is developing his second feature. Barney also co-wrote the score with Ali Gavan.

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DAGMAR SCHUMACHER

Dagmar is Director of UN Women, Brussels. The office is responsible for liaising with EU institutions on joint advocacy, policy dialogue and joint programming. She previously worked at UN Volunteers as well as with UNDP and the UN in Latin America, Vietnam and New York.

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IMALI NGUSALE

Imali is a mentor and youth advocate with over seven years experience in designing and implementing programmes with a focus on adolescent and youth sexual and reproductive health rights in Kenya. She currently works at DSW, an international development and advocacy organisation.

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SIETSKE STENEKER

Sietske is Director of UN Population Fund, Brussels. She has worked as UNFPA Representative in the Russian Federation, Honduras and El Salvador. She holds Masters Degrees in International Law and Public Health in Developing Countries.

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The panel will be moderated by CAROLINE PETIT.

Caroline is Deputy Director of the UN Regional Information Centre (UNRIC). Before joining UNRIC, she worked as the Head of the Strategic Partnerships Unit at UN Headquarters for 12 years. She has also worked within the European Commission, film institutions in London and Copenhagen, and has over 25 years of international experience in communications, strategic partnerships and public information campaigns.

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ENDING FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION (FGM)

In September 2015, the United Nations adopted the **Sustainable Development Goals** (SDGs) which will shape international development priorities for the next 15 years. Whilst gender equality and women's empowerment targets are reflected across the goals, they also have a stand-alone SDG: Goal 5. The elimination of FGM is a key target under Goal 5 and is recognised internationally as a violation of the human rights of girls and women. Globally, it is estimated that 200 million girls and women alive today have undergone some form of FGM, and, if current trends continue, 15 million additional girls between ages 15 and 19 will be subjected to it by 2030.

ENGAGING MEN FOR GENDER EQUALITY



HeForShe

Gender equality is not only a women's issue, but a human rights issue that requires the participation and commitment of men. This involves challenging notions of masculinity and requiring men to question power dynamics in their words and actions. In 2014, UN Women created the HeForShe solidarity movement which provides a platform for men and boys to become engaged in achieving gender equality. Since its launch by UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon and UN Women Global Goodwill Ambassador Emma Watson, hundreds of thousands of men from all walks of life have committed to the movement. Their individual actions will collectively create the sustainable social and systematic change we need to achieve equality.

THE POWER OF SPORTS

Sport has a unique power to attract, mobilise and inspire. By its very nature, sport is about participation, inclusion and citizenship. It stands for human values such as respect for the opponent, acceptance of binding rules, teamwork and fairness, all of which are principles which are also contained in the Charter of the United Nations. Sport also has a vital power to transcend differences of sex, race, religion and nationality. Sport and the pursuit of gender equality can be mutually reinforcing — through the role models they create, the values they promote, and their potential for outreach. They are similar in essence in their capacity to generate a dream and drive individuals to bring about change and success, in their own lives and in society at large.





