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TO: ALL BRANCHES

Dear Colleagues,

TUC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE 2021 - REGISTRATION

This year the TUC Women's Conference will be held online. The conference is scheduled to take place from Wednesday 3rd March to Friday 5th March 2021 and is open to all Women trade unionists.

There will be three debates at Conference open to all attendees. The themes debated reflect the key issues emerging from the final agenda:

- The unequal impact of Covid-19 on women
- Ending gender-based violence and harassment
- Strengthening women's rights and representation at work.

The timetable for the event is as follows:

Wednesday 3 March 2021: *Unequal impact of Covid-19 on women*

Session	Conference debate
Time	10-11.30am
Title	Trade unions: Organising against unequal impact of Covid-19 on women
Speakers	Frances O'Grady, General Secretary TUC; Gail Cartmail, TUC President; Marsha de Cordova MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Women and Equalities

Session	Panel discussion
Time	12.15-1.30pm
Title	Working women: paying the price
Speakers	Professor Clare Wenham, LSE; Chidi King, Director of Equality ITUC; Charlotte Woodworth, Gender Director Business in the Community

Thursday 4 March 2021: *Ending gender-based violence and harassment*

Session	Conference debate
Time	10-10.45am
Title	Trade unions: Ending gender-based violence

Session	Panel discussion
Time	6.30-7.45pm
Title	Workplace support for survivors of domestic abuse

Friday 5 March 2021: *Strengthening women's rights and representation at work*

Session Conference debate
Time 10-10.45am
Title Trade Unions: Strengthening women's rights and representation at work

Session Panel discussion
Time 6.30-7.45pm
Title Our future. Our fight: Strengthening women's rights and representation at work
Speakers Speakers Karon Monaghan QC; Christina McAnea, General Secretary UNISON; Shavanah Taj, General Secretary Wales TUC; Lucila Granada, Director FLEX;

The CWU will have involvement in this conference. Those interested in attending the Women's Conference will need to pre-register but it is open to all. Once registered, attendees will be sent regular updates containing conference documents and links to sign up for the interactive workshops that will be running along with panel debates and fringe events.

Registration will be open until the day prior to the Conference, but attendees are encouraged to register before **22 February 2021** to ensure that they receive all communications and have enough time to secure their place at any breakout sessions.

To obtain as high attendance as possible we encourage you to circulate this information to your members. The link to register is as follows:

www.tuc.org.uk/WomensConference2021

Any further enquiries with regards this please contact conferences@cwu.org or Angela Niven on 020 8971 7256.

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