

A girl's right to learn without fear:

Working to end gender-based violence at school

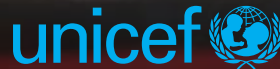
March 5th, 2013 6pm - 8pm (refreshments will be served)

UNICEF House, Danny Kaye Visitors' Centre

Three UN Plaza, 44th Street (Between 1st and 2nd Avenues) New York, NY 10017

Space is limited. Please RSVP to Andrew Adams at andrew.adams@plan-international.org

Presented by Plan International, UN Girl's Education Initiative (UNGEI), UNICEF (Education) and 10x10





LAUNCH OF NEW REPORT

Please join us as we launch a call to action to end violence against children, particularly girls, based on the findings of Plan International's new global report¹, *A girl's right to learn without fear: Working to end gender-based violence at school*.

Education is a foundational issue for Plan International's *Because I am a Girl* campaign, yet 66 million girls are presently denied their right to an education. The report looks at a key barrier preventing girls from realizing these gains: the persistence of school-related gender-based violence.

Up to 1.5 billion children experience violence every year,² many within schools³



10X10 FILM PREVIEW

Holly Gordon, Executive Director, 10x10 and Executive Producer, *Girl Rising* will introduce a special advance preview of their new documentary film. *Girl Rising* chronicles the lives of nine girls in nine developing countries, and puts a face on the millions of girls around the world who only dream of going to school – and what happens when that dream comes true.

The full-length film will be released world-wide on March 7th, 2013. Watch the trailer: <http://10x10act.org/girl-rising/>



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1 A Canadian version was launched in Ottawa on December 4th 2012
2 UNICEF (2009). Child Protection from Violence, Exploitation, and Abuse. Available from http://www.unicef.org/media/media_45451.html Accessed 27 June 2012.
3 Plan estimates that at least 246 million boys and girls suffer from school-related violence every year.

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The event will include opening remarks from **Geeta Rao Gupta**, Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF, and Minister **Paavo Arhinmäki**, Minister of Culture and Sport Finland, followed by a moderated panel discussion to explore how partners, including governments, can support girls to learn free from fear.

Speakers will include:

- A member of the *Because I am a Girl* Youth Speakers Bureau
- **Rosemary McCarney**, President and CEO, Plan International Canada
- **Robert Prouty**, Lead Education Specialist, World Bank
- **Seodi White**, Lawyer and National Coordinator, Women in Law in Southern Africa