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Excerpt: Message from Princess Lamia AlSaud, UN-Habitat Goodwill Ambassador for Arab States



"International Women's Day: In order for us to have a more sustainable future, we must first empower women to enable them to become positive change-makers in society."

As the world heals from the pandemic, global economic recovery efforts have brought to life how the most vulnerable individuals in society continue to be left behind. Women and children make up the majority of the world's poorest and are, as a result, increasingly recognized as more vulnerable to climate change impacts than men are. In order for our recovery plans to develop a more resilient and equal world, it is crucial that women become just as involved in the collective action leading to a more sustainable world as men are. To do this, we must recognize the crucial role that women can play in developing a sustainable economy and society, empowering them

Those who are among the most vulnerable and marginalized experience the deepest impacts, and their involvement in decision-making and engagement is pivotal to creating an enduring recovery plan that balances the disparities seen in current economic security efforts which lack of their contribution.

It is through Alwaleed Philanthropies and UN-Habitat's work that we are contributing to bridging this gap and empowering women and youth to build a sustainable future.

## EU visit to Mosul showcases progress in rehabilitation of houses and flood protection initiative in Matahin

UN-Habitat's Mosul team welcomed European Union's delegation from Baghdad for a site visit to the Matahin neighbourhood where we have completed the rehabilitation of

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