

## **Women and Economic Change in Rural Arid Lands**

**Convener, Dr. Sarab Abu-Rabia, Ben-Gurion University, Israel**

**Thursday, Nov. 20 10:00-11:30 Evens**

Dr. Sarab Abu-Rabia, Ben-Gurion University, and Dr. Avigail Morris, Dead Sea and Arava Science Center, Israel, *“Transforming Economies and Roles: Bedouin Women Recreate Economic Change.”*

Ms. Priscilla Achakpa, Women Environmental Programme, Nigeria, *“Rural women energy security project as a social entrepreneurs approach to checking desertification in rural-arid regions.”*

Ms. Heidi Paredes, Sidreh, Israel, *“Bedouin Women at the Forefront of Development through Innovative Approaches: Sidreh’s Desert Gardens”.*

Ms. Jane Mutune, The Greenbelt Movement, Kenya, *“Women in the arid land of Kenya: Challenges and interventions.”*