“We are all here to celebrate International Women’s Day – the achievements of women. What better achievement than supporting others.

The SWC is unique in bringing women together. We use your voices to influence public policy and decisions which affect your daily lives.

Enjoy the day; talk to others; celebrate with us.”

Agnes Tolmie, Chair of the Scottish Women’s Convention
Elaine Smith MSP, Deputy Presiding Officer
“The Scottish Parliament is delighted to be involved in this International Women’s Day celebration organised by the Scottish Women’s Convention.

“This year’s event will celebrate women from various spheres of life coming together to tell their story about what woman want and need. We have a diverse and inspirational line-up of speakers including an ambassador, parliamentarian, actor, volunteer and comedian. This event will allow each of them to tell their own story and articulate what they needed to overcome any barriers in their respective lives.”

Nicola Sturgeon MSP
Deputy First Minister (Government Strategy and the Constitution) and Cabinet Secretary for Infrastructure, Investment and Cities

Alicia Castro
Argentine Ambassador to the UK
Agnes Tolmie, Chair, Scottish Women’s Convention

“There is a feeling that in many ways, women ‘have it all’. The reality is far from that ideal. Significant obstacles still exist across a number of areas such as education, employment and representation in political and public life. One of the most important ways of breaking down these barriers is to listen to women and take on board what they really want and what they really need. This will not only improve their lives, but the lives of their families and communities as a whole.”
If you would like emailed copies of the photographs please contact:

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