

# INVITATION

## Foundational event Focal Points Network on Women, Peace, and Security

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September, 2016

Ministerial segment: 9 am – 10 am  
Focal Points discussion: 10 am – 12 pm

CR-4 UNHQ

To inscribe your Minister in the Ministerial segment, to communicate the designation of a WPS National Focal Point, and for further details about the event, please contact [raquel.villodres@maec.es](mailto:raquel.villodres@maec.es)

If you do not hold a UN ground pass, please contact us  
by 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.

Spain, together with Canada, Chile, Japan, Namibia and the United Arab Emirates, are convening a foundational meeting to officially launch the WPS Focal Points Network, at the margins of the 2016 UNGA's General Debate.

The WPS Focal Points Network will assist Member States (and regional organizations) to improve and strengthen the implementation of the WPS agenda at the origin of the national decision-making process, by exchanging best practices in areas such as the drafting and implementation of 1325 National Action Plans, post-conflict recovery, women's leadership and participation, as well as by improving coordination of funding and assistance programs.

### 9 am-10 am MINISTERIAL SEGMENT\*

*A joint communiqué will be adopted*

*Keynote Speaker: Amb. Swanee Hunt, Founder and Chair, Inclusive Security*

**H.E. Mr. José Manuel García-Margallo**, Minister of Foreign Affairs and Cooperation, Spain

**Hon. Netumbo Nandi-Ndaitwah**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of International Relations and Corporation, Namibia (TBC)

**H.E. Ms. Reem Al Hashimy**, Minister of State for International Cooperation, UAE

**H.E. Mr. Marcos Robledo**, Vice Minister for Defense, Chile

**Canada**, Minister (TBC)

**Japan**, High Level Representative (TBC)

**Interventions from the podium by other Ministers** (3' interventions)

### 10 am-12pm FOCAL POINTS DISCUSSION

*Focal Points are expected to engage in an informal and interactive session*

\* Interpretation services to all UN official languages will be provided during the Ministerial segment.

\* Please inscribe your Minister by 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2016.