Beyond 1325:  
A Feminist Roadmap for Sustainable Peace

October 2015 sets the 15th Anniversary of UNSCR1325, an unprecedented resolution that settled the Women, Peace and Security Agenda. A High Level Review took place in the Security Council in order to assess implementation progress at the global, regional and national levels of UNSCR1325. Also, Member States had the chance to renew commitments and to address obstacles and constraints. With the aim to commemorate achievements and to strategize on strengthening and mobilizing women and men for effective implementation of the Women, Peace and Security agenda, the civil society is organizing the Peace Forum. Taking advantage of this opportunity, this workshop aims to provide a space to radically rethink, broaden and deepen the current Women, Peace and Security Agenda. The main question that will be asked is if we aim to be truly transformative in creating a more just, gender-equitable and sustainable peace, what is the WPS agenda missing, and how can we bring it in? To go deep into this big question, the workshop will examine key questions such as:

- Why are areas typically outside the WPS Agenda – such as the rebuilding of infrastructure, or public finance – so crucial for us to address?
- What are some expectable post-war issues and dynamics that impede the realization of gender equality, even when it is written into constitutional provisions?
- How might analysis of the root causes of conflict and inequality transform the agenda for peace negotiations?

The workshop will be led by Carol Cohn, the Director of the Consortium on Gender, Security and Human Rights, an organization which works to produce cutting edge gender analysis of war and peace building; transform gender and security research and policy agendas; and foster innovative education, activism and practice. She has written widely on WPS issues, including the recent book, Women and Wars, from Polity Press.

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3:00 – 4:30 pm
VENUE: Church Center at 777 UN Plaza, 10th Floor