

## PEACEWOMEN National Action Plan (NAP) Initiative

PeaceWomen's NAP Initiative builds civil society & other stakeholders capacity to enhance implementation & impact of Security Council Resolution 1325 and Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda.

*"Lasting change can happen when we 'speak truth to power.'" - Maria Butler, PeaceWomen Director on motivation for PeaceWomen NAP work.*

**Objective:** PeaceWomen's NAP Initiative provides the tools and coordination needed to strengthen and amplify civil society voices and analysis. It is part of our approach to promote a progressive gender-perspective in preventing conflict and creating peace through bridging global and local efforts on implementation of the WPS agenda.

### 1) Enhance accountability

- PeaceWomen provides a **comprehensive online database** for monitoring and evaluation (M&E) searchable by country or index to explore key issues including NAP indicators, budgets, goals, and civil society engagement.
- PeaceWomen's **WPS 2013 mobile app** includes a special section on NAPs with key information.
- PeaceWomen is developing a **NAP "Scorecard"** for M&E, and advocacy for the 2015 high level WPS Review.

### 2) Promote inclusive participation and local ownership

- PeaceWomen works with **national activists** and WILPF members to engage and strengthen development of NAPs. For example, PeaceWomen created a NAP Toolkit with WILPF-Nigeria as part of their successful advocacy to launch a Nigeria NAP in 2013.
- PeaceWomen amplifies the voices of women's rights advocates including WILPF activists in global decision-making.

### 3) Strengthen an integrated approach to conflict resolution

- PeaceWomen promotes **WILPF's integrated approach** to conflict prevention that addresses root causes of violence, and links disarmament, WPS and human rights.
- In 2013, Human Rights Council (HRC) supported our advocacy recommending the development of a 1325 NAP in its Colombia Universal Periodic Review; the CEDAW Committee support for effective implementation of the DRC's NAP in its DRC review; and recognition of state obligations to "respect and ensure" human rights in Security Council Resolution 2122 (2013).

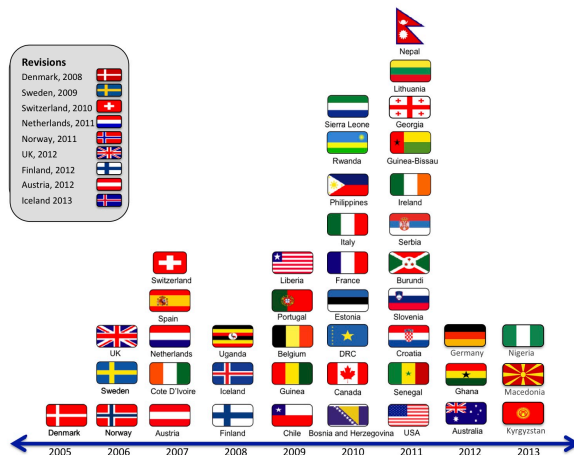
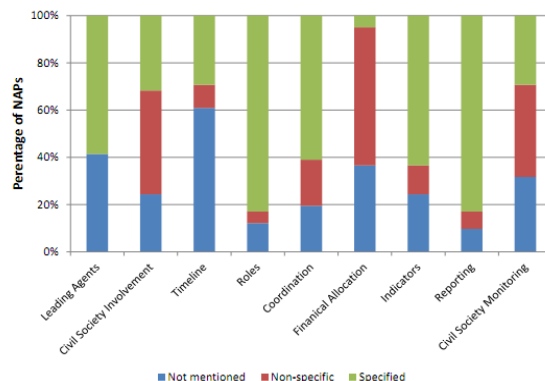


Figure 1: Specificity by Element



WILPF DRC (Democratic Republic of Congo)

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