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2019 Security Council Open Debate on Women, Peace and Security

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**Monday, 21 October**

**High-Level Event on Women's Political Participation in Post-Conflict Reconstruction**

*When:* 21 October, 12:45-2:45 pm  
*Location:* Permanent Mission of the UAE to the UN (305 East 47th St, 2nd Floor)  
*Sponsors:* The Permanent Missions of the United Arab Emirates and Germany to the United Nations and the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security invite you to the launch of a new series and first panel by the UAE and GIWPS on the role of women in post-conflict reconstruction.


**Peacebuilding Commission - Ambassadorial-Level Meeting on Strengthening Linkages between Women, Peace and Security and Peacebuilding and Sustaining Peace**

*When:* 21 October, 10:00 am-1:00 pm  
*Location:* ECOSOC Chamber  
*Sponsors:* Peacebuilding Commission, PBSO, UN Women

**Tuesday, 22 October**

**Launching the Second Edition of the Global Women, Peace and Security Index**

*When:* 22 October, 1:30 - 2:45 p.m.  
*Location:* Conference Room 6, UNHQ  
*Sponsors:* The Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Uruguay to the United Nations, the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, and the Peace Research Institute Oslo


**Thursday, 24 October**

**Women as pioneers in conflict prevention and peacebuilding: The linkages between Sustaining Peace and the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda**

*When:* 24 October, 9-10:30 am  
*Location:* Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation Conference Room (3 Dag Hammarskjold Plaza, 10th floor)  
*Sponsors:* The Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation, the Global Network for Women Peacebuilders (GNWP), the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), and the International Peace Institute

*RSVP* to dinah@gnwp.org.
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Friday, 25 October

**Gender-responsive Small Arms Control: From Guidance to Implementation**

*When:* 25 October, 1:15 to 2:30 pm  
*Location:* UNHQ, Conference Room 8  
*Sponsors:* United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs and Small Arms Survey with support from Canada and the European Union

**Arria Formula Meeting on Trafficking in Persons for sexual exploitation in (post-) conflict situations: integrating a comprehensive approach to TIP into the WPS agenda of the Security Council.**

*When:* 25 October, 3.30 to 6 pm  
*Location:* ECOSOC  
(Open to anyone with access to the UN and Webcast)  
*Sponsors:* Belgium, UK, Vietnam, Peru, Niger, UNODC

Monday, 28 October

**2019 Multi-stakeholder Forum on WPS**

*When:* 28 October, 8:30 am – 2 pm  
*Location:* 19th floor Conference Room, UN Women  
*Sponsors:* Sweden, NGOWG-WPS, UN Women  
(Closed – by invitation only)

**Women, Peace & Security – Rhetoric to Reality: How to Bridge the Implementation Gap**

A dialogue on lessons, approaches and strategies for effectively implementing and advancing the Women, Peace and Security Agenda from grassroots to global levels.

*When:* 28 October, 1 – 2:45 pm  
*Location:* Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations, 885 Second Avenue, 21st Floor, (between 47th & 48th St.)  
*Sponsors:* Ireland, Liberia, South Africa and Uruguay  
**RSVP:** anna.larsson@dfa.ie

**Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund**

**365 Days of Action: Investing in Women Peacebuilders and Humanitarian Responders**

**Launch of the 1-year Countdown to the 20th Anniversary of UN SCR1325 (1325+20)**

*When:* 28 October, 3:30-5:30 pm  
*Location:* UN Secretariat, Conference Room 11  
*Sponsors:* The Women’s Peace & Humanitarian Fund (WPHF)—in partnership with the Governments of Austria, Canada and Norway; the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), the International Civil Society Action Network (ICAN) and the Spotlight Initiative  
**RSVP:** https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYKATMSzA1gCTctGRWzbwRyg_tUbTLNtovxyVBk2DgQ3qH6w/viewform
The Big Questions – Young people take on ‘Women, Peace and Security [TBC]

**When:** 28 October, 3:30-5 pm  
**Location:** Conference Room 6  
**Sponsors:** UN Women, UNICEF, GNWP, UNFPA, PBSO, MGCY, UNDP, Plan International and the Permanent Missions of South Africa, France, Côte d'Ivoire, Dominican Republic  
**RSVP:** (by 24 October) BIT.LY/35FWPOL

**Women’s participation in Peace Enforcement as a cornerstone to inclusive, sustainable and transformative peace and security**  
This session will highlight the experiences of SA Peacekeepers who participated in the UN “Force Intervention Brigade”, the first of its kind for Congo within MONUSCO system with a clear mandate to take certain offensive operations with the aim of neutralising and disarming the rebels involved in the conflict with the aim to ending the Half or century long conflict.  
**When:** 28 October, 3-6 pm  
**Location:** UNHQ, Conference Room 12  
**Sponsors:** South Africa  
**RSVP:**

**Feminist Foreign Policy: A Conversation on Gender, Peace and Security in the World of Today**

Please join Her Excellency Ms. Ann Linde, the newly appointed Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs, for a conversation on feminist foreign policy and what it means in the world today. Ms. Leymah Gbowee, 2011 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and Executive Director of Columbia's Women, Peace and Security program, will offer opening remarks.

**When:** 28 October, 5-6pm  
**Location:** 1512 International Affairs Building, 420 W 118th Street  
**Sponsors:** Columbia University's Women, Peace and Security program, the Earth Institute, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, and the Gender and Public Policy Specialization at SIPA  
**RSVP:**  
https://events.columbia.edu/cal/event/showEventMore.rdo;jsessionid=536A2D59DA2BCF4B08009C54AEE994BA

**#IMatter Campaign Launch**  
Join us for night of activist art, music, poetry and refreshments to celebrate the incredible women who are in town from places including Sudan, Yemen, Colombia and more, and to launch the #IMatter campaign. #IMatter is an intersectional worldwide solidarity campaign working with women and girls in crisis, and post-crisis contexts, recognizing the universality of women’s experiences and struggles.

**When:** 28 October, 6-8pm  
**Location:** The Japan Society, 333 East 47th Street  
**Sponsors:** Oxfam  
**RSVP:** wairimu.kamene@oxfam.org
Tuesday, 29 October

Operationalization of the Conflict-Related Sexual Violence Mandate in Peace Operations
Mission Coordination and Engagement with Parties to Conflict

When: 29 October, 08:00 -09:30 am
Location: Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations, 1 Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza, 885 2nd Avenue, 35th Floor, New York
Sponsors: Permanent Missions of Norway, Nepal and Rwanda together with DPO
RSVP (by 25 October)

Open Debate of the Security Council on Women, Peace and Security

“Towards the successful implementation of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda: Moving from commitments to accomplishments in preparation for the commemoration of the 20th anniversary of United Nations Security Council Resolution 1325”

When: 29 October, 10 am to 1 pm and 3 – 6 pm
Location: Security Council Chamber
Sponsors: Presidency of South Africa

Webcast Event

Twenty years of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda: Delivering on Implementation

The High-Level Side Event will profile the work of women leaders and women’s led organizations from local and national levels in recent and ongoing peace and security processes, including in Sudan, South Sudan and the Central African Republic, while offering a detailed picture on the enabling practices to ensure women’s meaningful participation in prevention and mediation of conflict, post-conflict reconstruction, reconciliation and peacebuilding, as well as women’s leadership and in the monitoring and implementing mechanisms of peace agreements

When: 29 October, 01:00 p.m. to 02:30 p.m.
Location: United Nations Headquarters (conference room TBC)
RSVP: verlaine.soobroydoo@unwomen.org by Friday 25th October 2019
Sponsors: The Republic of South Africa, the Office of the African Union Special Envoy on Women, Peace and Security and UN Women

Art Exhibition on Sexual Violence in Conflict: Youth Speak Out through the Arts

Date: Tuesday, 29 October 2019, 1-3 PM
Location: Visitors’ Lobby, United Nations Headquarters, New York, NY

Looking Ahead to 2020: Role of Civil Society Consultations and Implementation of the WPS Agenda
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When: 29 October, 3 to 6 pm  
Location: IPI (777 UN Plaza, 12th floor)  
RSVP: Formal invitation and RSVP needed  
Sponsors: UK, Germany, South Africa, IPI, GAPS

Reception: Celebrating the Annual Open Debate on Women, Peace, and Security and the View Ahead to 2020: The 20th Anniversary of Resolution 1325

When: 6:30 – 8 pm  
Sponsors: Organized by the Permanent Missions of the United Kingdom, Germany, and South Africa, together with the International Peace Institute (IPI) and Gender Action for Peace and Security (GAPS).  
RSVP: For questions, please contact: Beatrice Agyarkoh, agyarkoh@ipinst.org

Wednesday, 30 October

High-Level Panel - Inter-Regional Cooperation on Women, Peace and Security: Launch of the Initiative for the Regional Acceleration of UNSC Resolution 1325 (RAR)

The RAR Launch Event will give visibility and highlight the collective character of the initiative through a High-Level Panel Discussion with leading WPS principals from all participating organisations, AU, EU, NATO and UN, moderated by the OSCE. The representatives from the RAR participating organisations will highlight the cooperation among the organisations on WPS and the benefit of multilateralism to push forward the WPS agenda in view of the 20th anniversary.

When: 30 October, 08:30 AM – 09:30 AM  
Location: The European Union Delegation to the United Nations, 666 Third Avenue, 31st Floor  
Sponsors: AU, EU, NATO, OSCE, UN Women  
RSVP: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdQ58MX-HNvq6s9hxMXT7DNVhIyVHRHU2gRCOgsDefWeQnjQrgQ/viewform

Socio-Political Feminist Activism: Reshaping the Peace Processes in Syria

When: 30 October, 8:30 - 9:45 am  
Location: Church Center of the United Nations, 2nd floor, 777 United Nations Plaza  
Sponsors: Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF)  
RSVP: genevieve.riccoboni@wilpf.org

10-Year Anniversary of the Establishment of the Mandate on Sexual Violence in Conflict

When: 30 October, 10 am – 6 pm  
Location: ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ  
Sponsors: Organized by the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Sexual Violence in Conflict (SRGS-SVC) and the Permanent Mission of the Republic of South Africa to the United Nations.
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The Human Costs and Gendered Impact of Sanctions on North Korea: A Dialogue with Report Authors

When: 30 October, 10:30 am – 12 pm
Location: Church Center of the United Nations, 2nd floor, 777 United Nations Plaza
Sponsors: The Korea Peace Now campaign (led by Women Cross DMZ, Nobel Women’s Initiative, Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), and Korean Women’s Movement for Peace
RSVP: genevieve.riccoboni@wilpf.org

A Shared Vision towards the Realization of the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Agenda: Tensions and Synergies among Peace and Humanitarian Action to fulfill WPS

When: 30 October, 12:00 - 2:00pm
Location: The Arab Institute for Women, Lebanese American University, 211 E 46th Street,
Sponsor: DPO, OCHA
RSVP and more information: Gender Unit DPO - Sandra.grindgaerds@un.org and Gender Unit OCHA - toni.stewart@un.org

Supporting a Durable and Inclusive Peace in Afghanistan: The Role of Afghan Women
The International Peace Institute, Cordaid, the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, and NYU Center for Global Affairs invite you to a lunchtime policy forum on “Supporting a Durable and Inclusive Peace in Afghanistan: The Role of Afghan Women.”

When: 30 October, 1:00-2:45pm
Location: Trygve Lie Center for Peace, Security & Development, International Peace Institute, 777 United Nations Plaza, 12th Floor
Sponsors: Cordaid, IPI, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, NYU Center for Global Affairs
RSVP: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1030-supporting-a-durable-and-inclusive-peace-in-afghanistan-the-role-of-afghan-women-registration-78019491399?utm_source=IPI+Events&utm_campaign=32c7c0fb40-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_11_15_04_09_COPY_07&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_fa0d4b06b3-32c7c0fb40-37631721

Localizing Sustaining Peace – Lessons Learned from the Women, Peace and Security Localization

When: 30 October, 1:15 -2:45 pm
Location: UN Church Center, 8th Floor
Sponsors: GNWP, UN Women and the Permanent Missions of Canada and Ireland
RSVP: www.Sustaining-Peace-WPS.eventbrite.com
Relevance of Resolution 1325 to the Implementation of Peace in Colombia

This panel discussion among Colombian women’s rights activists working on the implementation of the peace process in Colombia will explore the relevance of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and related Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Resolutions in peace processes and how women’s participation in peace processes contributes to stronger democracies.

**When:** 30 October, 6:15pm-8:15pm  
**Location:** CUNY Law School: 2 Court Square West, Long Island City  
(one stop from the UN on the E / M train, or three stops from the UN on the 7 train)  
**Sponsors:** FOKUS Forum for Women and Development, Humanas Colombia, World Federalist Movement, MADRE, CUNY Law School, Cyrus R. Vance Center for International Justice

**RSVP:** RSVP to Madeline Walsh, Madeline.Walsh@law.cuny.edu

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Thursday, 31 October

Ensuring the Inclusion of Young Women in Conflict and Atrocity Prevention

**When:** 31 October, 8:15-9:45 am  
**Location:** Church Center, 2nd Floor, 777 United Nations Plaza  
**Sponsors:** Cordaid, The International Coalition for the Responsibility to Protect (ICRtoP), the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), WO=MEN Dutch Gender Platform, and Friedrich-Ebert-Stiftung New York, along with the Permanent Mission of Germany to the UN.

**RSVP:** (By 29 October) Ms. Marijke Kremin (kremin@wfm-igp.org)

Ensuring Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights (SRHR), a Pre-Requisite to a Survivor-Centered Approach to the Implementation of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda

**When:** 31 October, 9-11 am  
**Location:** UNHQ, Conference Room 8  
**Sponsors:** GNWP and Asian-Pacific Resource and Research Center for Women (ARROW), UNFPA, and UN Women

**RSVP:** https://www.eventbrite.com/e/demanding-srhr-as-a-pre-requisite-to-a-a-survivor-centered-approach-to-wps-tickets-74618382591

Workshop on Advancing Reparations for Survivors of CRSV

**When:** All-day workshop (31 October-1 November)  
**Location:** UNHQ Room 1522 & 1523 (15th floor)  
**Sponsors:** IOM, OSRSG-SVC and UN Action Secretariat

**RSVP:** By invitation only, space limited. Please send email to Anna Reichenberg at areichenberg@iom.int and/or Clarissa Rossetti at crossetti@iom.int if you are interested to attend
Workshop to explore: how to ensure a survivor-centered approach to reparations; complementarity between national and international efforts to advance reparations; what contributions can a variety of stakeholders (UN, CSOs, Governments, Donors, Survivors, Private Sector, Academia) make toward securing access to remedies and rehabilitation for survivors of CRSV; what are the gaps in terms of policies, resources and technical capacity at global and national level.

**Colombia Women Land Rights Defenders: Risking their lives for peace**

This event will explore the obstacles women land defenders are facing in post-agreement Colombia, providing a critical space to reflect on as well as to discuss different options for preventing and addressing the increasing violence in rural communities. Colombian women land defenders will share their experiences and recommendations for how to ensure their rights and lives are protected moving forward.

**When:** 31 October, 1-2:30pm  
**Location:** Church Center, Second Floor  
**Sponsors:** Oxfam, CIVICUS, MADRE

**A signpost for progress: Collective efforts in Monitoring the Women, Peace and Security Resolutions**

**When:** 31 October, 1:15- 2:45 pm  
**Location:** 8th floor, UN Church Center  
**Sponsors:** GNWP, Cordaid, GIWPS  

**Friday, 1 November**

**Expert-level briefing on UK-funded study on women in UN peacekeeping (by Instituto Igarape)**

**When:** 1 November, 8.30 – 10 am  
**Location:** UK mission to the UN (885 2nd Avenue, 27th floor)  
(Formal invitation and RSVP needed)  
**Sponsor:** UKUN

**Open Briefing of the Counter-Terrorism Committee: Integrating Gender into counter-terrorism and CVE**

**When:** 1 November, 3 -6 pm  
**Location:** ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ  
**Sponsors:** United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC)  
**RSVP:** [https://bit.ly/2lp8JL2](https://bit.ly/2lp8JL2) (by 28 October for those without a UN grounds pass)  

**Workshop on advancing reparations for survivors of CRSV**

See Thursday 31 October for information.