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Strengthening Women's Participation in Peace Processes: What Roles and Responsibilities for States?

Programme



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Day 1

Time	Session	Key elements for discussion	Observations
17:30-18:00	<i>Registration</i>		Conference Secretariat
18:00-18:15	<i>Group Photo</i>		As instructed by Protocol and Photographers
18:15-18:30	<i>Welcome Remarks</i>	Italy and UN Women	<p>Ms. Asa Regnér, Deputy Executive Director, UN Women</p> <p>H.E. Ms. Emanuela Claudia Del Re, Deputy Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Ambassador Sebastiano Cardì, Director General for Political Affairs and Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy</p>
18:30-18:45	<i>Keynote Address</i>	High-level policymaker to offer a reflection on the opportunities, challenges and prospects of women's meaningful participation in peace processes ahead of the 20-year anniversary of UN Security Council resolution 1325 (2000)	<p>Keynote Speaker: Ms. Leymah Gbowee, Nobel Peace Prize Laureate and Member of the UN Secretary-General's High-Level Board on Mediation, Liberia</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Ambassador Sebastiano Cardì, Director General for Political Affairs and Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy</p>
18:45-18:55	<i>Introduction and Screening of Short Video</i>	Documentary on the Mediterranean Women Mediators Network	<p>Presenter:</p> <p>Honorable Lia Quartapelle, Honorary President, WIIS Italy</p>
18:55-20:00	<i>High-Level Panel Discussion</i>	Panel to discuss States' support to women in making, building and sustaining peace from the local to the global levels	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>H.E. Ms. Ketevan Tsikhelashvili, Minister for Reconciliation and Citizen's Equality, Georgia</p> <p>Ms. Elizabeth Spehar, Special Representative and Head of the UN Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus</p>



			<p>Ms. Asila Wardak, Director General, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Member of Afghanistan High Peace Council, Afghanistan</p> <p>Ms. Elena Ambrosi Turbay, Deputy Prosecutor for the Support to Victims of Armed Conflict and Demobilized, Colombia</p> <p>Moderator: H.E. Dr. Amal Jadou, Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Palestine</p>
20:00-21:00	<i>Dinner Reception</i>		Venue: <i>Sala Filippo de Grenet e degli eroi e valorosi</i>

Day 2

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8:30-9:00	<i>Registration</i>		Conference Secretariat
9:00-10:30	<i>Introduction to Member State support to women's participation in peace processes: What works, what doesn't and what could be done better?</i>	Background papers presentation followed by discussion	<p>Presenters:</p> <p>Ms. Paivi Kannisto, Chief, Peace and Security & Prevention and Resilience Section, UN Women</p> <p>Ms. Irene Fellin, President, WIIS Italy and IAS Fellow, Durham University, Italy</p> <p>Commentators:</p> <p>Mr. Ehab Badwi, Syrian Youth Assembly and Youth Representative at World Organization of the Scout Movement, Syria</p> <p>Professor Ayse Betul Celik, Sabanci University, Turkey</p> <p>Dr Catherine Turner, Durham University, UK</p> <p>Moderator:</p>



			Dr. Amporn Marddent , Lecturer, Walailak University, Center of Excellence on Women and Social Security (CEWSS), Thailand
10:30-11:00	Tea & Coffee		
11:00-12:00	<i>Roles of key actors shaping peace processes: What national policies and practices have proved most effective?</i>	Individual Member States' tools for advancing women's participation in peace negotiations and the implementation of peace agreements. Discussion to include 1325 NAPs, international contact groups, groups of friends, senior appointments...	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Ms. Charlotte Lobe, Chief Director, Transformation and Transversal Programmes, DIRCO, South Africa/Ms. Pravina Lakan-Makha, General Manager-Operations & Business Development, ACCORD, South Africa</p> <p>Dr. Laila Bugaighis, Senior advisor, National Center for Systems Reform, Libya</p> <p>Ms. Olivia Holt-Ivry, Senior Advisor on Women, Peace, and Security, U.S. Department of State</p> <p>Mr. Emmanuel Habuka Bombande, Senior Mediation Adviser, UN Mediation Stand-by-Team</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>H.E. Ms. Emanuela Claudia Del Re, Deputy Foreign Minister, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy</p>
12:00-13:00	<i>Roles of key actors shaping peace processes: What regional and international policies and practices have proved most effective?</i>	Opportunities for members and officials of the UN and regional organisations to advance women's participation in peace negotiations and the implementation of peace agreements. Discussion to include mediation mandates and provision of mediation and gender expertise, senior appointments...	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Mr. Zahir Tanin, Special Representative of the Secretary-General and Head of the UN Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo</p> <p>Maitre Saran Keita Diakite, Lawyer, Chairperson of REPSFECO-Mali, Chairperson of WANEP Board of Directors</p> <p>Ms. Amarsanaa Darisuren, Senior Gender Adviser, OSCE</p> <p>Ms. Meriam El Masry, Counsellor and Deputy Chief of Mission, League of Arab States</p> <p>Moderator:</p>



			Ms. Maria Begona Lasagabaster , Libya Country Representative, UN Women
13:00-14:00	Lunch		
14:00-15:30	<i>Women's meaningful participation in peace processes: Why the persistent gaps and how can they be addressed?</i>	Panelists to assess the various challenges that prevent or limit women's meaningful participation in peace processes and discuss innovative ways to overcome these challenges	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Ms. Rida Ahmed Al Tubuly, WPS Expert and Trainer, Libyan Women's Rights</p> <p>Ms. Isabelle Boukinda, Head of the Gender Unit, ECCAS Secretariat</p> <p>Ms. Christina Shaheen, Gender Adviser to the UN Special Envoy for Syria, Geneva</p> <p>Ms. Viviana Palacios Raigosa, Youth Organisation "Yo Puedo" Meta, Colombia</p> <p>Professor Yakin Ertürk, Former UN Special Rapporteur on Violence against Women</p> <p>Moderator:</p> <p>Dr. Sarah Taylor, Senior Fellow, Women, Peace and Security Program, International Peace Institute, USA</p>
15:30-16:00	Tea & Coffee		
16:00-17:30	<i>Regional Women Mediator Networks: Moving towards success</i>	Discuss the development of regional networks of women mediators: What is needed to move the needle? How can Member States, the UN and regional organizations make concrete use of available expertise? What initiatives can the networks take individually and cooperatively?	<p>Panelists:</p> <p>Dr. Vesna Škare Ožbolt, Lawyer, Former Minister of Justice and Former Member of the Parliament, Croatia, MWMN</p> <p>Ms. Mukondeleli Mpeiwa, Senior Policy Officer MSU/ Coordinator PoW & FemWise-Africa Secretariat, Peace and Security Department, African Union, FemWise-Africa Secretariat</p> <p>Ambassador Sirpa Mäenpää, Ambassador, Peace Mediation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs, Finland, NWM</p> <p>Ms. Salma Yusuf, Attorney-at-Law, Human Rights Advocate and Peace Practitioner, Sri Lanka, WMC</p> <p>Ms. Teresita Quinto Deles, Chairperson, International Center for Innovation, Transformation and Excellence in</p>



			<p>Governance (INCITEGov), Philippines, AWPR</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Karma Ekmekji, International Affairs and Relations Adviser, Office of the President of the Council of Ministers, Lebanon, MWMN</p>
17:30-18:00	<i>Wrap Up Session and Closing Remarks</i>	<p>Conclude by identifying and agreeing on concrete commitments key actors could adopt and implement towards more inclusive peace processes and peace agreements ahead of the 20-year anniversary of the adoption of UN Security Council resolution 1325 in 2020.</p>	<p>Panelists: Ms. Özge Özoğul, Association for Historical Dialogue and Research, Cyprus Professor Mossarat Qadeem, Executive Director PAIMAN Alumni Trust, Pakistan, WMC Ms. Rosy Cave, Head, Gender Equality Unit/ Head, Office of the Prime Minister's Special Representative on PSVI, FCO, United Kingdom Min. Plen. Gianluca Alberini, Deputy Director General/Principal Director for the UN and Human Rights, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation, Italy</p> <p>Moderator: Ms. Paivi Kannisto, Chief, Peace and Security & Prevention and Resilience Section, UN Women</p>