



Invitation:

Conflict Prevention and UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women Peace and Security - what's in it for us?

A public discussion reflecting on the annual Open Debate in the UN Security Council on Women Peace and Security

Date: Tuesday 30 October 2012, 9.30 – 11.00

Location: 10th floor UN Church Center, 777 United Nations Plaza

On Monday 29 October 2012 the UN Security Council will convene for its annual Open Debate to celebrate the anniversary of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women Peace and Security, this year under the theme “the Role of Women’s Civil Society Organizations in Contributing to the Prevention and Resolution of Armed Conflict and Peacebuilding.” Following the reflections of UN Member States, a public panel organised by the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC) and the Center for Women's Global Leadership at Rutgers University (CWGL) will highlight civil society perspectives on the topic. The panel will bring together civil society reflections on the roles of women in conflict prevention and peacebuilding from Africa, the Western Balkans and Asia-Pacific, focusing on three key aspects:

- **National and Regional Action plans on UNSCR 1325: What's in it for civil society?**
Panelists will speak of their experiences as civil society representatives in processes to develop Action Plans implementing UNSCR 1325 at national and regional level.
Speakers: Gyunglan Jung of Women Making Peace, South Korea
Veena Singh Bryar of femLINKPACIFIC, Fiji Islands
- **Implementing UNSCR 1325 in Dialogue & Mediation processes: What's in it for women?**
Panelists will discuss the role of women in dialogue and mediation processes, presenting examples from community level to discussions on the international stage.
Speaker: Maja Vitas of the Nansen Dialogue Center Serbia
- **Gender-sensitive conflict analysis, UNSCR 1325 and masculinities: What's in it for men?**
Panelists will reflect on experiences with engaging (as) men in gender-sensitive conflict analysis and advocacy around UNSCR 1325, and related challenges for both women and men.
Speaker: Alimou Diallo of the West Africa Network for Peacebuilding, Ghana (tbc)

The panel will be **moderated** by Julie Ann Salthouse, Coordinator of the Violence Against Women Program at the Center for Women's Global Leadership at Rutgers University (CWGL).

Concluding remarks will be provided by Sharon Bhagwan Rolls, member of UN Women's Global Civil Society Advisory Group on Women Peace and Security and Gender Liaison for the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC).

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