

# WPS September/October (2025)

## CALENDAR OF PUBLIC EVENTS

**Monday, 11 September**

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**Title:** “Bridging the Gap: Women’s Full, Equal and Meaningful Participation in Decision-Making in Counter-Terrorism and Preventing/Countering Violent Extremism”

**When:**

**Location:** online

**Organizers:** UNOCT and UN Women

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Tuesday, 16 September 2025**

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**Title:**

**When:**

**Location:**

**Organizers:**

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Wednesday, 17 September 2025**

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**Title:** **Peace in Action: Amplifying Women’s Voices from Warzones Ahead of UNGA 80**

**When:** 1.30 to 4.30 pm

**Location:** Rockefeller Foundation

**Organizers:** Georgetown Institute of WPS

**Registration:** RSVP needed by September 12

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Thursday, 18 September 2025**

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**Title:**

**When:**  
**Location:**  
**Organizers:**  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Friday, 19 September 2025**

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**Title:**  
**When:**  
**Location:**  
**Organizers:**  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Monday, 22 September 2025**

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**Title: Beijing plus 30 commemoration**  
**When: 10 am to 8 pm (all day)**  
**Location:**  
**Organizers:**  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Tuesday, 23 September 2025**

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**Title: Women Shaping Global Peace in Multilateral Spaces: A WPHF “Peace is All of Us” Intergenerational Dialogue & Summit Event**  
**When: 4.30 to 6.30**  
**Location:** UN Women Headquarters, 19th floor 220 East, 42nd Street, un women  
**Organizers:** WPHF, UNW, NYU, WILPF, UNF  
**Registration:**  
<https://www.google.com/url?q=https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Y2XdMuC2uEUJ0oWazxZGun>

[WzHjW44\\_tQvQ0oZw3QAe0/edit&sa=D&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw3onGeWf\\_0PsUHRxK8a-Jto](https://www.un.org/en/calendar/event/68544?date=2025-09-24&source=calendar&usd=2&usg=AOvVaw3onGeWf_0PsUHRxK8a-Jto)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

An afternoon of dialogue and exchange with intergenerational women peacebuilders driving inclusive peace in the multilateral space, led by WPHF in partnership with the Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF), NYU Center for International Collaboration, the United Nations Foundation (UNF), and UN Women.

**Wednesday, 24 September 2025**

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**Title: Women, Peace, and Leadership Symposium on Women's Leadership for International Peace and Security**

**When:** 8:00-9:45am

**Location:** Trygve Lie Center for Peace, Security & Development  
International Peace Institute  
777 United Nations Plaza, 12th Floor  
(Corner of 1st Avenue and 44th Street)

**Organizers:** The International Peace Institute (IPI), the Permanent Mission of Ireland to the United Nations, and the Secretary of Foreign Affairs of Mexico, in partnership with Our Secure Future and the Nobel Women's Initiative

**Registration:** [Attend in person](#) | [Attend online](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This event will be streamed live on IPI's website. YouTube, Facebook, and LinkedIn.

For questions contact: Beatrice Agyarkoh, [agyarkoh@ipinst.org](mailto:agyarkoh@ipinst.org)

Administrative Note: Because of the strict security relating to the opening of the United Nations General Assembly, you will need to arrive at the 44th Street and 2nd Avenue (southeast corner checkpoint) by 7:50AM and bring a photo ID and a copy of this invitation to enter the building if you do not currently have a valid UN ground pass.

**\*You must register to attend this event.\***

**Title: WPS Focal Points Network UNGA80 Ministerial-Level Side Event**

**When:** 11 am to 1 pm

**Location:** CR 3

**Organizers:** Japan, Norway, UN Women

**Registration:** <https://wpsfocalpointsnetwork.org/80th-unga-ministerial-level-side-event/>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Registration deadline for in-person attendance is Wednesday, September 17, 2025.

**Title: A High-Level Dinner on Peace and Security: Amplifying Women's Leadership on the Sidelines of UNGA**

**When:** 6 pm to 8 pm

**Location:**

**Organizers:** Sierra Leone, World Shoe, NBAPA

**Registration:** Invitation only

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Thursday, 25 September 2025**

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**Title:** Launch of Morocco's WPS NAP (TBD)

**When:** 10 am to 11.15 am

**Location:**

**Organizers:** Permanent Mission of Morocco

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title:** Women Building Peace in an Age of Crises and Armed Conflicts: How Feminist Approaches to Foreign Policy Can Advance Peacekeeping and Peacebuilding

**When:** 8:00 - 9:30am

**Location:** UNHQ, CR11

**Organizers:** France and Colombia on behalf of FFP+ Group, International Peace Institute

**Registration:** [Registration](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Friday, 26 September 2025**

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**Title:**

**When:**

**Location:**

**Organizers:**

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Monday, 29 September 2025**

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**Title:**

**When:**

**Location:**

**Organizers:**  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Tuesday, 30 September 2025**

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**Title:**  
**When:**  
**Location:**  
**Organizers:**  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

## OCTOBER

**Monday, 6 October 2025**

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**Title:** Implementing the Nelson Mandela and Bangkok Rules in Overcrowded and Resource-Scarce Environments (2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts side event)

**When:** 09:00 AM–12:00 PM

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Sweden, 1 Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza #46, New York

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations, Sweden, Senegal

**Registration:** [REGISTER NOW](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Event organized as part of the [2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts](#). This event will explore the implementation of the Nelson Mandela and Bangkok Rules in challenging prison environments, featuring experts from the UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture and other Cruel, Inhuman and Degrading Treatment or Punishment, DPO, UNODC, OHCHR, Penal Reform International, Innovative Prison Systems, national prison services and professional corrections associations. It will also spotlight Trailblazer Award shortlisted candidate Saye Ndim of Senegal.

**Title:** Annual Open Debate on WPS in the Security Council

**When:** 10 am to 1 pm and 3 pm to 6 pm

**Location:** Security Council

**Organizers:** Russian Federation

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title:** WPS reception

**When:** 6 pm to 8 pm

**Location:** UN Women

**Organizers:** Slovenia, Guyana, NGO Working Group on WPS, UN Women

**Registration:** Invitation only

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Tuesday, 7 October 2025**

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**Title:** Gender Responsive Prison Leadership as a Key Factor in Ensuring Safety and Stability in Conflict and Post-Conflict Environments (2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts side event)

**When:** 09:00 – 12:00 (light breakfast will be served starting at 08:30 AM)

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Canada, 466 Lexington Ave 20th floor, New York

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations, Canada, Cameroon

**Registration:** [REGISTER NOW](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Event organized as part of the [2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts](#). This event will explore gender-responsive prison leadership as a key factor in ensuring safety and stability in conflict and post-conflict environments, featuring experts from the United Nations system, Deputy Commissioner for women of Correctional Service of Canada and national prison services of Romania and Sweden. It will also spotlighting Trailblazer Award shortlisted candidate Victorine Mana of Cameroon, as well as WPS advocate, Beatrice Were of Kenya.

**Title:** Bridging the Divide between Customary and Statutory Justice in Conflict-affected Environments (2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts side event)

**When:** 01:00 – 04:00 PM (light lunch will be served as of 12:30 PM)

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Germany, 871 UN Plaza, New York

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations, Germany, Colombia

**Registration:** [REGISTER NOW](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Event organized as part of the [2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts](#). This event will explore the role of customary justice systems in conflict-affected settings, featuring the United Nations Special Rapporteur on the

Independence judges and lawyers and speakers from CORDAID International, Pathfinders, OHCHR, ZIF, the Special Jurisdiction for Peace in Colombia, and the Organization of American States. It will also spotlight Trailblazer Award shortlisted candidate Lena Ellen Becker, as well as justice expert and WPS advocate, Michelle Doerlemann, both from Germany. Participants will also be able to experience a Virtual Reality tour, developed by DGC, DPO, UNMISS, and UN Visitors Services, showcasing UN Peacekeepers in action in South Sudan

**Wednesday, 8 October 2025**

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**Title: Award Ceremony for the 2025 United Nations Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Officers**

**When:** 10:00-11:00 AM

**Location:** ECOSOC Chamber, UNHQ

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations, Canada, Rwanda, Sweden

**Registration:** [REGISTER NOW](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Join us for the award ceremony for the third [Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Officers](#). Speakers will include Deputy Secretary-General Ms. Amina J. Mohammed, Ms. Margaret Satterthwaite, United Nations Special Rapporteur on the independence of judges and lawyers, and Ms. Amy Jarrette, the Deputy Commissioner for women of Corrections Service Canada.

**Title: African Union-United Nations Partnership and the Women, Peace and Security Agenda**

**When:** October 8, 1pm - 2.30pm

**Location:** International Peace Institute

**Organizers:** IPI, AU, UN Women, DPPA-DPO

**Registration:** By invitation only.

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Thursday, 9 October 2025**

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**Title: Launch of the Elsie Initiative Fund's Fourth Programming Round**

**When:** 9:00-10:30am

**Location:** UN Women HQ, Conference Room 1925 & Online (Zoom)

**Organizers:** Elsie Initiative Fund, UN Women, DPO, Government of Canada

**Registration:** [Link](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** [Concept note](#)

English with interpretation in French, Spanish, and Arabic

**Title: Reflecting on 25 Years of the WPS agenda: Lessons learned from research on gender and UN peace operations**

**When:** 1:00pm–2:45pm EST

**Location:** Trygve Lie Center for Peace, Security & Development, International Peace Institute  
777 United Nations Plaza, 12th Floor (Corner of 1st Avenue and 44th Street)

**Organizers:** International Peace Institute

**Registration:** <https://mailchi.mp/ipinst/reflecting-on-25-years-of-the-wps-agenda?e=410a3842f1>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: Mental Health in Prisons: Trauma Informed Prison Design (2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts side event)**

**When:** 01:00-03:30 PM

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Sweden, 1 Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza #46, New York

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations, Sweden, Nigeria

**Registration:** [REGISTER NOW](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Event organized as part of the [2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts](#). This panel will explore trauma-informed prison design and mental health interventions in conflict-affected settings, featuring speakers from the International Corrections and Prisons Association, DLR Group, Swedish Prison and Probation Service, IPS Innovative Prison Systems, Penal Reform International and the UN system. It will also spotlight Trailblazer Award shortlisted candidate **Olukemi Ibikunle** of Nigeria

**Friday, 10 October 2025**

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**Title: Climate, Peace and Security from a Prison Perspective (2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts side event)**

**When:** 09:00 AM–12:00 PM

**Location:** United Nations Secretariat, S-1522/23

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations, Rwanda, Nigeria

**Registration:** [REGISTER NOW](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Event organized as part of the [2025 UN Trailblazer Award for Women Justice and Corrections Experts](#). This panel will examine the impact of climate change on prison systems in conflict-affected settings, featuring speakers from UNEP, ICRC, Penal Reform International, UNICRI, and the national prison services of Ireland and Rwanda. It will also spotlight Trailblazer Award nominee Sarah Adole of Nigeria

**Title: Strengthening the Women Peace and Security Agenda through Arms Control and Disarmament**

**When:** 10 October, 13.15-14.30,

**Location:** CR 9, UN Headquarters, NY.

**Organizers:** The Permanent Mission of Malta to the United Nations

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This event will convene experts and practitioners to explore how to advance convergence between the WPS and disarmament agendas at multilateral, regional and national levels. It will provide a platform to share lessons, identify good practices, and generate actionable recommendations to ensure that disarmament and WPS frameworks can tackle threats posed by weapons and related technologies.

Key topics for discussion include:

- Trends and gaps in the integration of arms control/disarmament and the WPS agenda;
- Inclusive and intersectional approaches to arms control and disarmament;
- Practical strategies for aligning WPS and disarmament frameworks and actions;
- Overcoming political, institutional, and resource challenges.

**Monday, 13 October 2025**

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**Title:** High-level meeting on Beijing plus 30

**When:**

**Location:** Beijing, China

**Organizers:** China

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Tuesday, 14 October 2025**

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**Title:** High-level meeting on Beijing plus 30

**When:**

**Location:** Beijing, China

**Organizers:** China

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Thursday, 16 October 2025**

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**Title:** 1325 commemoration in Namibia

**When:** Two-day conference  
**Location:** Windhoek, Namibia  
**Organizers:** African Union, UN Women, Namibia  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Friday, 17 October 2025**

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**Title:** 1325 commemoration in Namibia  
**When:** Two-day conference  
**Location:** Windhoek, Namibia  
**Organizers:** African Union, UN Women, Namibia  
**Registration:**  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

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**Wednesday, 22 October 2025**

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**Title:** High-Level Launch Event: “Understanding the lives of the women, men and children of Al-Hol”

**When:** 11:00 - 1:00pm  
**Location:** UN HQ, Conference Room 6  
**Organizers:** UN Women  
**Registration:** Required  
**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Closed event (invitation only)

**Thursday, 23 October 2025**

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**Title:** Putting Policy into Practice – Tools for Gender Mainstreaming in National CT/PCVE Strategies

**When:** 08:00–09:30 EST (New York) | 14:00 – 15:30 GMT+2 (Vienna) | 15:00–16:30 GMT+3 (Nairobi)  
**Location:** Online only  
**Organizers:** UNOCT and UN Women  
**Registration:** [Register here](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This session will spotlight a panel of practitioners and policymakers who have worked to mainstream gender within national CT/PCVE strategies, focusing on the tools, mechanisms, and institutional processes that have enabled progress. Discussions will highlight examples of national action plans, coordination platforms, and other practices that facilitate gender mainstreaming, while also addressing common roadblocks such as lack of political will, or technical capacity.

**Friday, 24 October 2025**

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**Title: Accountability for Gender Oppression in Afghanistan: Ensuring a Comprehensive, Gender-Competent Approach**

**When: 11:30am-1pm**

**Location: Permanent Mission of Canada to the UN**

**Organizers:** Canada, Mexico, Malta, Campaign to End Gender Apartheid, RAWADARI, DROPS

**Registration:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc6vhS\\_iHh4yd1n-UwqshBNyaJzFBBC7\\_676Hztk3BPbYOg/viewform?fbzx=4826090720548528313](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc6vhS_iHh4yd1n-UwqshBNyaJzFBBC7_676Hztk3BPbYOg/viewform?fbzx=4826090720548528313)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the adoption of Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000) and the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda, as well as International Law Week of the UN Sixth Committee (Legal), this side event will set out the current landscape of gender justice efforts to hold the Taliban accountable and explore how UN Member States and civil society advocates can ensure a gender-competent, victim and survivor-centered, and intersectional approach to ongoing investigations, prosecutions, and litigation. The esteemed panelists will discuss the fact-finding and legal initiatives before the UN, the International Criminal Court, the International Court of Justice, the People's Tribunal, and domestic jurisdictions—and explain their interrelationship and potential complementarity. The discussion will also address the importance of substantively addressing the totality of gendered harms and women's lived experiences and of procedurally facilitating the meaningful participation of civil society in any justice effort in line with the WPS agenda.

## Accountability for Gender Oppression in Afghanistan: Ensuring a Comprehensive, Gender-Competent Approach

Friday, October 31, 2025

11:30 AM - 1:00 PM

Permanent Mission of Canada to the UN

On the occasion of the 25th anniversary of the adoption of Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000) and the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda, as well as International Law Week of the UN Sixth Committee (Legal), this side event will set out the current landscape of gender justice efforts to hold the Taliban accountable and explore how UN Member States and civil society advocates can ensure a gender-competent, victim and survivor-centered, and intersectional approach.

Please RSVP here: <https://forms.gle/LdhBayAxj2hjsCX8>



### Title: Forum on Financing Peace

**When:** 24 October (Friday), 2.30pm - 5:00pm

**Location:** UN Church Centre, Level 8 (registration required)

**Organizers:** Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development (APWLD), UN Independent Expert on Foreign Debt and Human Rights

**Registration Required:** <https://forms.gle/uBkQ58tMkzfhzaE17>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Contact:** Rachel ([rachel@apwld.org](mailto:rachel@apwld.org))

### Title: High-Level Panel Event and Discussion - Afghan Women Speak: Defining Peace, Security, and Inclusion 25 Years After UNSCR 1325

**When:** 24 October; 3.00 pm - 5.00 pm

**Location:** UN Women Headquarters, 19th floor 220 East, 42nd Street

**Organizers:** Mina's List, WPHF, UNW, Georgetown (GIWPS), Panama, Greece

**Registration Required:** <https://forms.office.com/r/wYN0gBxH0e>

**Zoom link (no registration needed):**

<https://unwomen.zoom.us/j/92886697997?pwd=S5R5ItWqAjlEaYfQgp0WMISRPk9JP4.1>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Mina's List and the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace, and Security, co-sponsored by the Women, Peace, and Humanitarian Fund and co-hosted by UN Women, invite you to a high-level panel discussion with Afghan women leaders. The event will center Afghan women's lived experiences, challenge prevailing narratives, and highlight their definitions of peace and security. Mina's List will also launch a new policy brief based on a

survey of over 500 Afghan women, offering their requests to the international community and recommendations for the way forward.

**Monday, 27 October 2025**

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**Can AI make peace? Towards a Gender-Sensitive Approach to the Use of Artificial Intelligence in Peacebuilding**

**When:** Monday, October 27th 2025, 10-11.30 am

**Location:** UN Headquarters, CR 6

**Organizers:** Permanent Mission of Switzerland, Global Network of Women Peacebuilders

**Registration:** To confirm your attendance, kindly RSVP here by Wednesday, October 22, 12pm.

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This event will feature a discussion based on GNWP's feminist, intersectional study exploring how artificial intelligence (AI) can be ethically harnessed to support peacebuilding, mitigate digital harms, and advance the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda. The research highlights the experiences of women peacebuilders and includes case studies from Colombia, Nigeria, and the Philippines. It also reflects on discussions in the UN Security Council regarding AI, as well as key commitments on gender equality and international peace and security outlined in the Global Digital Compact and the Pact for the Future. Furthermore, it builds on GNWP's prior collaboration with Switzerland on advancing WPS in the digital age, including efforts to promote cybersecurity through a gender lens.

**Title: PBC Ambassadorial Meeting on WPS**

**When:** 10:00 to 13:00

**Location:** UNHQ CR2

**Organizers:**

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: Young Women Peacebuilders Workshop**

**When:** 12:00 - 2:00 PM

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations (Hybrid)

**Organizers:** UN Women, UNDGC, UNFPA, UN Youth Office and DPPA/PBSO

**Registration:** [RSVP HERE](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

This consultation will gather young women peacebuilders from different regions to co-develop recommendations across five pathways — leadership and power-sharing; protection, care and civic space; climate security; economic recovery; and partnerships and financing. The outcomes will directly inform the Peace Circle dialogue and contribute to the global YPS Progress Study and UN Women's WPS–YPS thematic paper.

**Title: The 2025 Global Women, Peace & Security Index Launch**

**When:** 13:15 - 14:45

**Location:** Norwegian Mission to the UN, 885 2nd Ave, 35<sup>th</sup> floor

**Organizers:** Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nations, the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security & The PRIO Centre on Gender, Peace and Security

**Registration:** RSVP [HERE](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Light lunch will be provided. In partnership with the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security (GIWPS) and the PRIO Centre on Gender, Peace and Security, the Permanent Mission of Norway has the pleasure of inviting you to the launch of the fifth edition of the global Women, Peace and Security (WPS) Index, which scores and ranks 181 countries based on 13 indicators of women's status. The WPS Index, first launched in 2017, is the most comprehensive ranking to date of women's well-being around the globe, measuring three key dimensions of women's well-being—inclusion, justice, and security. The event will include a discussion on trends by region, within indicators, and across time while also exploring how the Index can serve as a critical tool for policymakers, practitioners, and activists alike.

**Title:** [Peace by Piece: Addressing Conflict-Related Sexual Violence throughout the Peace Continuum – lessons from the Asia-Pacific](#)

**When:** 13:15-14:45 TBD

**Location:** Monash Room, Australian Consulate-General, 150 E 42nd St, Floor 34

**Organizers:** PM Australia, UN Action, Global Survivors Fund

**Registration:** <https://events.humanitix.com/wps-storytelling-peace-by-piece-panel>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Light lunch will be provided. This side event will bring together survivors, experts and UN officials with experience in the Asia-Pacific to discuss survivor-centred approaches to prevention, protection, and preparing for and delivering post-conflict peacebuilding throughout three stages: Before conflict: Prevention through inclusive mediation and early action; During conflict: Protection via interim reparative measures; After conflict: Peacebuilding focused on justice, accountability, and healing

**Title:** [The Power of WPS: Advancing Inclusive Decision-Making in Peace and Security](#)

**When:** 15:00 to 17:00

**Location:** ECOSOC Chamber/UN Web TV

**Organizers:** Namibia, WPS-HA Compact, UN Women, African Union

**Registration and Event Page:** <https://wpshacompact.org/events/thepowerofwps/>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Registration deadline for secondary passes has now passed.

**You can still register if you have a valid UN ID.**

Visit the event page for the concept note and updates on speakers. Interpretation will be available in all UN languages.

**Title: Opening Event: Through Her Lens Exhibit**

**When: 6:00pm - 7:30pm**

**Location: UNHQ Gallery B**

**Organizers: DPO, DPPA, UN Women, Elsie Initiative**

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Tuesday, 28 October 2025**

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**Title: High-Level Meeting on 'Strengthening the Meaningful and Safe Participation of Women in Decision Making and Leadership'**

**When: 08:30 - 10:30 EST**

**Location: UN Women 19th floor**

**Registration: Invite Only**

**Title: 25th Anniversary of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda: Experiences and Recommendations from Francophone Activists**

**When: 9:00 to 11:30 a.m CET**

**Location: UN House, 37 Boulevard du Régent, 1000 Brussels**

**Registration: Kindly confirm your participation at the following addresses:**

**liliana.allouche@unwomen.org and diane.tardy@equipop.org before Monday 13/10 COB.**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes: In French (With English translation)**

**Title: Women, Peace and Security and the Triple Nexus: a new era of empowered change**

**When: 10:00 AM to 11.30 AM**

**Location: UN Secretariat CR 9**

**Registration:**

**<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeFq4NUBLtjZtZTRE12nBdwfAfzeHmBMeJVduNrfo28GOOKSQ/viewform>**

**Organizers: Austria, GNWP**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: High-Level Side Event Advancing the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in the Arab Region**

**When: 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**

**Location: UN Secretariat CR 12**

**Registration: <https://forms.gle/c3B64Wr7fxzzdU2h7>**

**Organizers: League of Arab States and UN Women**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes: translation Arabic/ English will be provided**



**Title: 1325 Anniversary Event The Secret Reading Club of Kabul: High-Level Dialogue Amplifying Diverse Voices of Afghan Women**

**When:** 10:00am - 12:00pm

**Location:** UN HQ, Conference Room 7

**Organizers:** CMI – Martti Ahtisaari Peace Foundation, Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Permanent Mission of Finland to the United Nations

**Registration:** [RSVP Here](#)

**Title: 25 Years of WPS - Feminist Conversations on WPS, Anti-Militarism, and International Solidarity**

**When:** 10:30am - 12:00pm

**Location:** Church Center (777 UN Plaza, New York NY), 8th Floor - in-person only

**Organizers:** Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, **Co-hosts:** WILPF International Secretariat, LIMPAL Colombia, WILPF Spain, and Centro de Investigación para la Paz (CEIPAZ)

**Registration:**

[.us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c5ff46dbf4a1a2f0b99b71c65&id=89040a48c5&e=cd43a49b47](https://us6.list-manage.com/track/click?u=c5ff46dbf4a1a2f0b99b71c65&id=89040a48c5&e=cd43a49b47)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: Towards Equality, Justice and Democracy in Syria**

**When:** 28 October, 12:30 to 14:30

**Location:** UN Women

**Organizers:** UN Women, Syrian Women's Political Movement, Member State co sponsors TBC

**Registration:**

[https://unwomen.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_2LDY8Yv3RwmPmo4a9HW6OA](https://unwomen.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_2LDY8Yv3RwmPmo4a9HW6OA)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: A Holistic Response to Sexual Violence in Fonclit: From Words to Action**

**When :** 28 October, 1:15 pm to 2:45pm

**Location:** Instituto Cervantes, 211-215 E49th Street, New York, NY

**Organizers:** Permanent Mission of Spain, Permanent Mission of DRC

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=IJXgkyABDUSfciwWy7vScSAri3lp8LdHlyr8-3NCIH5UMTIwT0czQIFZT0ZVSkl5FM0Q0S0YzSUxWVy4u>

**Title:** High-Level meeting: Secretary-General's Common Pledge on Women's Participation in Peace Processes

**When:** 3:00-5:00 PM

**Location:** ECOSOC

**Organizers:** DPPA with EOSG and UN Women

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This high-level event with the UN Deputy Secretary-General will spotlight the voices of women who have shaped peace processes as negotiators, civil society activists and mediators, and showcase how adopters of the Secretary-General's [Common Pledge](#) are moving from commitment to concrete implementation across the Common Pledge's four commitment areas.

For those who require an event pass, registration is required by 3PM on 23 October:

<https://forms.office.com/e/0jazWKYwXP>

**Title:** 'HE[R]EAL - Her Reality - Reclaiming DDR Through Women's Eyes': A Global Multi-Media Exhibition

**When:** 28 October 2025, 5:00pm

**Location:** Scandinavia House, 58 Park Ave, New York, NY 10016

**Organizers:** UNDP, FBA, DPO, IOM

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** In collaboration with DPO and IOM, co-hosts of the 2025 DDR Symposium, the HE(R)EAL exhibition will be displayed in Scandinavia House on October 28-29, 2025, under the auspice of the DDR Symposium. The exhibition will be launched on October 28 with a dedicated Action Talk "The Role of Women-Led Organizations in DDR and Peacebuilding" in the UN HQ, as a contribution to the 2025 DDR Symposium. The reception and high-level representation in the Scandinavian House will follow. If you have any questions about the exhibition at large, kindly do not hesitate to contact Tetiana Lialka ([tetiana.lialka@undp.org](mailto:tetiana.lialka@undp.org)) and Agnes Torstensson ([agnes.torstensson@fba.se](mailto:agnes.torstensson@fba.se)).

**Title:** Peace Circle Dialogue

**When:** 28 October, 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM

**Location:** Visitor's Lounge, UNHQ (In person only)

**Organizers:** UN Women, UNDGC, UNFPA, UN Youth Office and DPPA/PBSO

**Registration:** [RSVP HERE](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** An intergenerational, solutions-driven dialogue bringing together young women peacebuilders, senior UN officials, and Member State representatives to

exchange ideas and commitments for more inclusive peacebuilding. Member States and partners are invited to listen directly to young women peacebuilders sharing their priorities, experiences, and actions for peace.

**Title: Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration (DDR) Symposium and Annual Meeting of Senior DDR Officers**

**When: 28 - 31 October**

**Location:**

Organizers: Department of Peace Operations/Office of Rule of Law and Security Institutions/DDR Section and the International Organization for Migration (IOM)

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

## **Wednesday, 29 October 2025**

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**Title: Global narratives, regional realities: re-galvanizing the WPS agenda at 25**

**When: 8 – 9:45 AM**

**Location: 125 Park Ave, 25th Fl**

**Organizers:** Crisis Group and CMI

**Registration:** Invitation only

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: 25 Years of WPS: Shrinking Civic Space, Growing Threats**

**When: 8 – 9:45 AM**

**Location: Permanent Mission of The Netherlands: 666 3rd Ave, New York, NY 10017**

**Organizers:** Cordaid, Internationalis and CIDSE, Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), WO=MEN, The Women Advocate for Peace (WAP)

**Registration:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAJvW2u0bvU\\_tyhGsqHlHDtipbvWQCWEvblsQy42l6rAJaZw/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdAJvW2u0bvU_tyhGsqHlHDtipbvWQCWEvblsQy42l6rAJaZw/viewform) (Register by 28 Oct, 4:30 pm)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: Strengthening Global Frameworks and Financing to Advance the Intersections of Gender, Climate, Peace, and Security - A Joint Side Event by the Group of Friends on Climate Security and Group of Friends of WPS**

**When: 8:30 – 9:45 AM EDT (light breakfast will be served at 8:15 AM)**

**Location: Permanent Mission of Germany, 871 United Nations Plz, New York, NY 10017**

**Organizers:** Germany and Nauru, Co-Chairs of the Group of Friends on Climate and Security; Canada, Chair of the Group of Friends of Women, Peace and Security; United Nations Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF), UN Women

**Registration:** By invite only

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This session will explore the intersections of gender, climate, peace and security across key frameworks such as the WPS agenda, the Sustaining Peace Agenda, and where applicable the Rio Conventions. It will emphasize the leadership of women and marginalized groups in decision-making within conflict-affected and climate-vulnerable settings. Serving as a platform for dialogue for the Group of Friends on Climate and Security and the Group of Friends of Women, Peace and Security, the session will highlight multilateral synergies – particularly through WPS National Action Plans (NAPs) – and funding mechanisms that support women's solutions for crisis preparedness and peacebuilding.

**Title:** Commitment 2025 High-Level Working Group Meeting: Exploring Opportunities for Enhanced Coordination to Advance the WPS Agenda

**When:** 8:45 - 10:15 AM

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Spain to the United Nations - 885 2nd Ave #36, New York, NY 10017 (36th Floor)

**Registration:** This event is by invitation only. RSVP link forthcoming.

**Organizers:** Ministry of Foreign Affairs, European Union and Cooperation of Spain, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Finland, Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security (GIWPS)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Launched in 2019 by Finland and Spain, Commitment 2025 (C-25) brings together 13 governments to advance nine shared commitments on WPS—from women's leadership in mediation to tracking representation in security and diplomatic institutions. GIWPS has monitored progress across these commitments, generating new data and insights that underscore major achievements, ongoing challenges, and opportunities for renewed collaboration. In an event marking the culmination of C-25, GIWPS will provide a briefing on key findings from our recently launched [suite of research](#), highlighting data and trends related to women's representation in security and diplomacy, financing for WPS, and the use of policy instruments and expertise to drive implementation. Following the briefing, Spain and Finland will facilitate a high-level discussion of strategies for enhanced coordination around these efforts, to explore where progress has been strongest, where challenges persist, and how the insights from Commitment 2025 can guide renewed action to strengthen women's leadership and peacebuilding in the years ahead.

**Title:** DPO High-Level event on the 25th anniversary of UNSCR 1325 "WPS at a Crossroads: Rethinking, Reimagining, and Recommitting to WPS in Peacekeeping

**When:** 10:00AM - 12:00PM

**Location:** UNHQ Conference Room 6

**Organizers:** Department of Peace Operations (DPO), UN Women, Ministry for the Promotion of Gender, Women's Protection, Family and Children of the Central African Republic, Permanent Mission of Canada to the UN, and Permanent Mission of the Republic of Korea to the UN

**Registration:** <https://forms.gle/Ad1TwiPufqYrhrZE8>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This high level event will serve as a platform to reflect on the status of the WPS agenda in UN peacekeeping over the past 25 years, highlighting areas of progress, persistent challenges, and forward-looking considerations. Lessons will be drawn from various peacekeeping contexts, with a particular focus on MINUSCA and other relevant missions.

**Title:** **WPS25+ Collective Strategies to Counter Anti-Rights Agendas**

**When:** 29 October 2025 | 10:00a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (EST)

**Location:** New York (exact location shared after registration)

**Organizers:** PAX, Wo=Men, Peace Direct

**Registration:** Invite only. Non-registered participants will not be able to access the premises.

Contact [n.demurashkin@paxforpeace.nl](mailto:n.demurashkin@paxforpeace.nl)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This event is closed door workshop for civil society only

**Title:** **Advancing Gender Justice and Accountability through the Women, Peace and Security Agenda**

**When:** 10:30 am to 12 pm, with refreshments served at 10:00 am

**Location:** UN Women HQ, 19th Floor Conference Room and Online

**Organizers:** UN Women, UNDP, UK, Colombia, Netherlands

**Registration:** [In-Person](#) / [Online](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** The event aims to spotlight the Gender Justice Platform as a key multi-stakeholder initiative delivering key results in fragile and conflict-affected settings. The event will convene Member States, civil society and partners to exchange perspectives on emerging challenges and opportunities, and to shape the next phase of global action on gender justice and accountability. Opening remarks to be delivered by UNDP's ASG, Crisis Bureau and closing remarks by UN Women's Director, Policy, Programme and Intergovernmental Division

**Title:** **From Commitments to Actions: White Paper on Women Peace and Security in the Arab States**

**When:** 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM

**Location:** UAE Mission to the UN

**Organizers:** UN Women (Co-sponsors TBC)

**Registration:** <https://forms.office.com/r/sFygbFFtx2>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This side event will showcase the White Paper on WPS in the Arab States, a living policy framework reflecting the voices of women peacebuilders and policy leaders from across the region. It will present key findings and recommendations and provide a platform for women peacebuilders from conflict-affected countries to engage directly with Member States, UN leadership, and international partners in a high-level roundtable. The discussion will situate the White Paper within the WPS@25 agenda, asking how the next 25 years can move from commitments to concrete impact.

**Title: Empowering Change: The Role of Women in WMD Non-Proliferation and Disarmament**

**When:** 1.15 pm to 2.30 pm

**Location:** CR 8 and online

**Organizers:** Slovenia, UNIDIR, UNODA

**Registration:** point-of-contact email address: nika.aupic@gov.si

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** For current and incoming Council Members

Marking the 25th anniversary of UN Security Council resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security, this side event will spotlight the impact of women in WMD non-proliferation and disarmament. It will explore strategic and practical advantages of gender-inclusive policy and ways to overcome the structural barriers that hinder women's full participation in this field. The event also strives to amplify the leadership of women as essential to effective, inclusive, and sustainable non-proliferation and disarmament efforts, while inspiring the next generation—particularly young women and professionals—who aspire to contribute to this critical field.

**Title: 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda: Financing Economic Recovery for Gender Equality**

**When:** 3.00 – 4.30 pm

**Location:** [UNDP Doha Room, 304 E45 Street, New York](#)

**Organizers:** UNDP, UK, Sierra Leone

**Registration:** [In-person](#) / [online](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** The event aims to mobilise action and partnerships to redirect financing toward gender-responsive economic recovery and crisis resilience, using FFD4 outcomes as a springboard. Taking place during the 25th anniversary of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda, it will gather governments, financial institutions, UN entities, and feminist advocates to highlight practical, sustainable financing solutions that put gender equality at the center of rebuilding economies and societies.

**Title: Reflecting on 25 Years of UNSCR 1325 – Lessons, Challenges, and a Forward Strategy**

**When:** 29 October; 3.30pm - 5.30 pm

**Location:** UN Women, Conference Room 1925

**Organizers:** Global Alliance of Women Mediators, UN Women

**Registration Required:** <https://forms.office.com/r/ixd0PPHeYa>

**"Zoom link (no registration required):**

<https://unwomen.zoom.us/j/99303040700?pwd=dRhjgBX3UaHcySKxtAzaHz6b6n11yJ.1>

**Title: Voices from the Frontlines: The Launch of the 2025 WPS Survey**

**When:** 4:00 PM -5.30 PM (followed by Reception)

**Location:** Danish Mission to the UN, 666 Third Avenue

**Organizers:** Permanent Mission of Denmark to the United Nations, the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security

**Registration:**

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeuSh6Go\\_gTI3ghR3jlfMmxdrXcvXQHQg-4wVxPLzNkFx52Qg/viewform](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeuSh6Go_gTI3ghR3jlfMmxdrXcvXQHQg-4wVxPLzNkFx52Qg/viewform) (RSVP by 24 October)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** The panel discussion will be followed by a reception. Invitation to RSVP will follow.

**Title: The Ghost of 1325: Past, Present, Future**

**When:** 4:30 PM -7.00 PM

**Location:** International Peace Institute, New York

**Organizers:** Permanent Mission of United Kingdom to the United Nations, the Permanent Mission of Norway to the United Nation, the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict (GPPAC), Legal Action Worldwide (LAW), the PAIMAN Alumni Trust, the Association for War Affected Women (AWAW), the Center for Civil Society and Democracy (CCSD), The Coalition for the UN We Need (C4UN), and Wo=Men Dutch Gender Platform.

**Registration:**

[https://us6.campaign-archive.com/?e=\\_\\_test\\_email\\_\\_&u=dd3dd71465ae4b31be756537e&id=4bda78d08b](https://us6.campaign-archive.com/?e=__test_email__&u=dd3dd71465ae4b31be756537e&id=4bda78d08b)

**Eventbrite link if that's preferred:**

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/1029-the-ghosts-of-1325-past-present-future-tickets-1835605398159?aff=oddttdtcreator>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Reception to follow

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**Title: Financing the WPS Agenda in the Age of Rising Military Expenditure**

**When:** 30 October 2025; 8 to 10 AM

**Location:** UN Women

**Organizers:** UN Women, DCAF

**Registration:** [https://unwomen.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_iYUmJ3YrTMaXOI7-3HaAbw](https://unwomen.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_iYUmJ3YrTMaXOI7-3HaAbw)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title: Climate, Peace and Security & Women, Peace and Security:  
Towards Gender-Responsive Climate Action for Sustainable Peace**

**When:** 30 October 2025; 10:00 - 11:30

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Denmark

**Organizers:** Denmark, Slovenia, Sierra Leone, SIPRI, NUPI, UN Women, Climate Security Mechanism

**Registration:**

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1yY7iBGy6zSQbzC8mJNtEb6z-BefRfstLrf6kLjH38/edit>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Title:**Beyond Rhetoric: Feminist Leadership for a Transformative Women, Peace, and Security Agenda at 25: Case studies from Colombia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Occupied Palestinian Territory and South Sudan

**When:** 30 October 2025; 10 to 11:30 AM

**Location:** Online

**Organizers:** Oxfam, Researchers Without Borders, WILPF, ICAN, Permanent Mission of Colombia to the UN, Permanent Mission of Denmark to the UN

**Registration:** <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/9yTK9S68SSieyB6v69l6Fg>

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** Launch of new report: [Beyond Rhetoric - Feminist Leadership for a Transformative Women, Peace and Security Agenda at 25 | Oxfam International](#)

**Title:** Strengthening Women Peace and Security in peace operations: Deploying the arms control and disarmament toolbox

**When:** 30 October 2025 | 11:30 – 13:00 (GMT) 1:30 PM-3:00 PM (EST)

**Location:** Online on Zoom

**Organizers:** United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research (UNIDIR) and United Nations Regional Centre for Disarmament in Africa (UNREC)

**Registration:** Please register using the following [link](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** At this virtual event marking the 25th anniversary of the WPS Agenda, UNIDIR will present key findings and insights from its research on strengthening the WPS agenda and SGBV prevention by operationalizing gender responsive arms control. This event will also provide an opportunity to hear from practitioners from peace operations and national authorities, who will share their insights on implementing gender-responsive arms control and disarmament that contributes to SGBV prevention, a key pillar of the WPS agenda. More information on speakers [here](#)

**Title:** Advocacy for women's meaningful participation: How to strategically negotiate and advocate for women's meaningful participation in security institutions and in peacekeeping in the current context

**When:** 30 October 2025; 12:00 - 14:00

**Location:** Canadian Mission

**Organizers:** DCAF, Canada, South Africa

**Registration:** TBD

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** A workshop for experts, by invitation only.

**Title:** WPS+25: How can men and masculinities help to protect and advance the agenda going forward?

**When:** 30 October 2025 | 1:30p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (EST)

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Sweden to the UN

**Organizers:** PAX, SIPRI, Conciliation Resources

**Registration:** Invite only. Non-registered participants will not be able to access the premises.  
Contact [gretchen.baldwin@sipri.org](mailto:gretchen.baldwin@sipri.org)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This event is closed door roundtable with representatives from permanent missions, civil society, and other key stakeholders

**Title: Investing in Dignity: How Prompt Reparations for CRSV Survivors avert intergenerational societal harm**

**When:** 30 October 2025 | 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. (EST)

**Location:** Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations — 871 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017

**Organizers:** UN Women, Permanent Missions of Germany and Ukraine to the United Nations, Global Survivors Fund, Numo Sisters and Arts & Rights.

**Registration:** [RSVP Here](#) Non-registered participants will not be able to access the premises.

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** This event will spotlight the often invisible legacy of conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV) - the transmission of trauma across generations - and the transformative power of early, accessible reparations to restore dignity, healing, and resilience.

**TITLE: From Data to Diplomacy: Strengthening Policy through Gender-Inclusive Evidence on Afghanistan (DROPS)**

**When:** 30 October 2025 | 3:00-5:00 PM

**Location:** UN Women CR 1925/1924

**Organizers:** Canada, DROPS, WfW

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Friday, 31 October 2025**

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**Title: 25 years of the WPS Agenda: Women Civil Society and the transformative potential of feminist peace**

**When:** 1:15 pm- 2:30 pm

**Location:** CR 8

**Organizers:** Slovenia, Guyana, NGOWG on WPS, UN Women

**Registration:** Invitation only

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** For current and incoming Council Members

**TITLE: Closed Door Briefing on Gender related Developments in UN Investigative Mechanisms**

**When:** 31 October 2025 | 9:00 am- 11:00 am

**Location:** CR 20th floor

**Organizers:**

**Registration:**

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**TITLE: Commemorating 25 Years of UN Security Council Resolution 1325 (2000):  
Advancing Gender-Responsive Transitional Justice**

**When:** 31 October 2025 | 1:00-2:30 PM

**Location:** Geneva Palais des Nations

**Organizers:**

**Registration:** Forthcoming

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:**

**Wednesday, 5 November 2025**

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**Title: From Analysis to Action: Gender-Responsive Conflict Analysis for the WPS Agenda**

**When:** 5 November 2025, 9:00-10:30pm

**Location:** Online participation with in-person panelists

**Organizers:** UNDP, IOM, UN Women, DPPA

**Registration:** [Webinar Registration - Zoom](#)

**\*Special Instructions/Notes:** The session will revisit the joint Gender-responsive Conflict Analysis (GRCA) initiative and identify and unpack the **bottlenecks that prevent GRCA from translating into action**; Present the **UNDP GRCA Guidance Note** and lessons from its field applications; Share **IOM's experience** on conflict analysis and data localization to illustrate how GRCA findings can inform programming; Generate **actionable recommendations** for embedding GRCA results in WPS implementation, prevention, and financing frameworks.