

WOMEN IN WAR



Conference Agenda

"The place of women in war 1914-2014" Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th June
2014

Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina

Saturday, 7th June, 2014

09.00 - 09.30 Registration

09.30 - 10.00 Opening Remarks

- Dr. Carol Mann, Sciences Po, Paris, Director of Women in War
- Center for Interdisciplinary Studies (CIS), University of Sarajevo
- Dragana Dardi_ / D_enana Kapo, BiH Women's Alternative Government
- Nermina Trbonja, Secretary-General, Women in War

Theme 1: The grim realities of war

The day will be devoted to examining different aspects of the experience of war through the gender lens. The main speakers will examine the broader picture, including issues such as nationalism, propaganda, genocide, motherhood followed by examples on the ground in different conflict zones to show how women in particular handle situations they have been confronted with as victims, resisters, survivors even perpetrators. This theme will be carried through in the round tables in afternoon.

10.00- 11.15 1st Panel, The grim realities of war
Moderator: Milo_ Uro_evi_ - tbc

- Gorana Mlinarevi_, Goldsmiths College London, Recognizing women's experiences of war. Struggle to become active agents in deciding about the future of the society at war. What experiences of Bosnia and Herzegovina and Syria are teaching us?
- Dr. Jasmina Husanovi_, University of Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina : *Women, war and "labouring for security": Between and beyond the logics of victimisation and commodification*
- Dr. Carol Mann: Sciences Po, Paris: *Motherhood as propaganda, resistance or fatality*

11.15-11.35 Coffee break

11.35 – 12.45 1st Panel continuation

- Dr. Ana Miskovska-Kajevska, University of Amsterdam: *Taking An Epistemological Stand: A Critical Analysis of the Scholarship on the Belgrade and Zagreb War-Related Feminist Activism in the 1990s*

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- Dr. JoAnn DI GEORGIO-LUTZ, Texas A&M University Galveston: *Women and Genocide: War and Survival*

Discussion and Q&A

12.45- 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 16.00 Round Tables

Round Table 1: Survival, for better, for worse

Moderator: Aida Spahi_

- Dr. Amanda Dias, LAU/CNRS, Paris: *Mothers' resistance to violence in favelas in Rio de Janeiro*
- Alexandar Cooper, Central European University, Budapest: *Butch Shoes and Anti-War, Anti-Nationalist Activism*
- Dr. Carol Mann, Sciences Po, Paris: *The resistance of women during the siege of Sarajevo: the case of Dobrinja*
- Marlene Tuininga WILPF, France: *Women in economical and ecological war*

Round Table 2: Fighters

Moderator: Shawna Carroll

- Elodie GAMACHE, Paris III, Sorbonne Nouvelle: *Female combattants in the FARC guerrilla group in Colombia*
- Jasenka Ferizovi_, Goldsmiths College London, *War crimes committed by female perpetrators*
- Gordana Stojakovi_, Novi Sad Women's Centre: *The Antifascist Front of Women - Experience of the Women's Mass organization*
- Lejla Had_ahmi_, University of Sarajevo: *Women-combatants: The invisible soldiers of the 1992-1995 war in Bosnia and Herzegovina*

16.00-16.20 Coffee break

16.20-17h30 Session on Middle East and conclusions of the 1st conference day

Session on Middle East

Moderator: TBC

- Oziem Kaya, Bo_aziçi University. Truth, Justice and Memory Centre Women, Istanbul: *Left Behind: Enforced Disappearances in Turkey*
- Samah Saleh, Goldsmiths College, University of London: *Is there a private space for Palestinian women under Israeli occupation?*
- Maria Al Abadeh, Soryat for Development, Syrian Non Violent Movement and
- Razan Ghazzawi, citizen journalist and blogger : *Women's Activism in Male-Hegemonic War.*

20.00 Dinner in Ba__ar_ija, the ancient centre of Sarajevo

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Sunday 8th June, 2014

Theme 2: War and After

The second day will be devoted to evaluating the aftermath, what has been gained what has been lost in wars in the last twenty years, especially Bosnia and the Balkans, Rwanda, Afghanistan. The issue of justice and war tribunals will take up a considerable part of the day.

10.00 – 11.15 2nd Panel: War and After

Moderator: Gorana Mlinarevi_

- Dr. Kirsten CAMPBELL, Goldsmiths College, University of London : *The Gendered Witnessing of War, Testimonial Modes beofre the International Criminal Tribibunal for the Former Yugoslavia*
- Dr. Elissa Helms, Central European University, Budapest: *Survivors, Feminists, and Gendered Narratives of Nation and War*
- Maria O' Reilly, Goldsmiths' College, University of London: *"Ambiguous Loss" and "Ambivalent Gains": Women's Agency Surrounding the Search for Missing Persons in Post-Conflict Bosnia-Herzegovina*

11.15-11.35 Coffee break

11.35 – 12.45 2nd Panel continuation

- Dr. Shirley Randall, A.O. Founding Director of the Centre for Gender, Culture and Development at the University of Rwanda : *Gender and Post-Genocide reconstruction in Rwanda*
- Samina Kabir, SOAS, London: *Women in Afghanistan after three decades of war*

12.45 - 14.00 Lunch

14.00 - 16.00 Round Tables

Round Table 3: Facing post-war society

Moderator: Bojana _okanovi_

- Nejra _engi_, CIS, University of Sarajevo: *(Underlying) Continuities and (Underlying) Discontinuities: Gender and War Experience in Female Narratives*
- Jenifer White, Chicago School of Professional Psychology: *Capturing a Phenomenon: A Photo-Voice into Healing Memories among Intergenerational Trauma in Bosnia-Herzegovina*
- Ana Rajkovi_, Univerity of Zagreb: *Gender-Conditioned Reconstruction of Society in Slavonia*
- Zlatiborka Popov Mom_inovi_, University of East Sarajevo: *Women Facing Reconciliation Processes in post-war BiH*

Round Table 4: What justice

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Moderator: Selma Korjeni

- Natasha Price, University of Bristol: *Prosecuting Rape as Genocide? Experiences of Justice at the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda*
- Agnieszka Fal, Sciences Po, Paris: *Women in Justice and Justice for Women: International Tribunals, gender and post-conflict nation building in Bosnia and Rwanda*
- Orly Maya Stern, London School of Economics and Political Science: *The Principle of Distinction and Women in African Conflict*
- Brenda Opperman, UN Institute of Peace: *Hawks, Doves and Canaries: Aligning Women, Peace and Security with Military Doctrine*

16.00-16.20 Coffee break

16.20-17.30 Round table 5: Sexual violence in war

Moderator: Nermina Trbonja

- Emily Jensen, College of St Benedict, St. Joseph (Mn) USA: *Wartime Rape: Moving beyond masculinity- the cases of Sierra Leone, the DRC, and Bosnia Herzegovina.*
- Katarina Lukas, Milano School of International Affairs : *Silencing Agency and Forgetting Sexual Violence: The Failures of Statebuilding in Bosnia and Herzegovina*
- Lucia Dighiero, *Wartime Rape and Testimony experience*
- Holly Williamson, Arizona State University: *Gender Role Socialization, the State, and Political Violence*

17.00-18.00 Conclusions and Closing Remarks

- Dr. Laura McLeod, University of Manchester
- Dr. Carol Mann, Sciences Po, Paris – Women in War

Video participations will be shown and also available on You-Tube 'Women in War' Channel

- Amya Agarwal, University of Delhi : *Seeing Peace as a Choice in Conflict: A Case Study of the Extraordinary Struggle for Peace by Meira Paibis, a Women's Group in Manipur, India*
- Anette Bingedal Houge, University of Oslo: *Perpetrators of sexualized violence*
- John-Mark Iyi, University of Johannesburg: *Women as instruments of warfare in the Boko-Haram insurgency: a critical analysis of national and international response*
- Kirthi Jayakumar, Legal Counsel and Researcher, Chennai, *Emasculation in Conflict - Hidden narratives of wartime sexual violence against men*
- Annelie Schlaug, University of Lund: *Bodies as Alibis or resistance*
- Rakhee Suryaprakash, Sunshine Millenium, Chennai: *India's Women, struggling for equality in peace and conflict*

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- Joy Tumwebaze, Training and research Centre, Kigali: *Children born from rape after the 1994 genocide in Rwanda*
- Cristina Reyes, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris: *Embroidering for Peace in Mexico, women deconstructing the logic of extreme violence in the context of war on Drugs*

This event is organised by Women In War, an independent academic NGO based in Paris with a branch in Sarajevo. It is uniquely devoted to the study of gender and armed conflict. This is the first in a series of annual conferences to be held yearly from 2014 to 2018 to commemorate the varied place of women in armed conflicts worldwide. The next one, in 2015, will take place in Beirut

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