Women Leadership, Gender Perspective and Gender Approaches in Disarmament Action

Parliamentary action to ensure equal participation and sustainability in disarmament initiatives

Webinar co-organized by the Inter-Parliamentary Union, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament, World Future Council and Youth Fusion

The sixth in a series of international parliamentary events in follow-up to the publication of Assuring our Common Future

Session A: Thursday, 1 December 2022 - Timed for Asia/Pacific: 7:00 – 8:30 CET
Session B: Thursday, 1 December 2022 - Timed for Europe/Africa/the Americas: 16:00 – 17:30 CET

The UN Secretary-General’s report Securing our Common Future, recommends that, in order to sustainably rid societies of the weight of armed violence, disarmament and arms control processes should include all relevant stakeholders and impacted parties. This includes empowering women and ensuring that their experience and knowledge are better recognized in conflict resolution, peace process, and disarmament affairs.

This webinar will explore international processes and parliamentary practices that can make peace and disarmament efforts more inclusive, effective and sustainable. Gender approaches to disarmament and security also address the different and disproportionate impacts of weapons proliferation and armed conflicts on women, and incorporate a full range of perspectives and frameworks for security, including national/military, human and common security.

Following in the footsteps of the UNSCR 1325 and related resolutions on Women, Peace, and Security, which call for the inclusion of a gender perspective in peace-related efforts and to build sustainable peace through the driving force of women’s leadership, the webinar will encourage parliaments to identify and address the barriers that limit the participation of women in peace and disarmament-related matters. It will draw from relevant sections of Assuring our Common Future, including the section on Ensuring the participation of women in peace and disarmament.

Objectives of the event
1. Increase awareness of the value of women leadership, gender perspective, and gender approaches in disarmament processes;
2. Enhance knowledge of Resolution 1325 and related resolutions on Women, Peace and Security and good practices for their effective implementation;
3. Share examples of strong policies and parliamentary practices that better include and represent the voices of women in disarmament-related efforts.

The event will take place online. While session A will be conducted in English only, Session B will be conducted in English, French and Spanish.

Registration:
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