

NATO Advanced Research Workshop

The role of women and gender policies in addressing the military conflict in Ukraine

Implementing UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and related Resolutions

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Monday, 21 September

9.00 – 9.30 REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS & WELCOME COFFEE

9.30 – 9.45 OPENING REMARKS

Liliia Honiukova, Board Member, Democracy Development Center (DDC), Kyiv

Nicoletta Pirozzi, Senior Fellow, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome

Michael Gaul, Emerging Security Challenges Division, Senior Advisor Projects & Strategy, NATO, Brussels

9.45 – 10.15 WELCOMING ADDRESSES (chaired by Gianni Bonvicini)

Maria Berlinska, Leader of Volunteer organization ‘Center for support of Aerial Reconnaissance’

Iryna Lutsenko, People's Deputy of Ukraine

Svitlana Zalishchuk, People's Deputy of Ukraine

Hryhoriy Nemyria, People's Deputy of Ukraine

Petro Mekhed, Vice Minister of Defense of Ukraine – chief of staff

Serhiy Ustymenko, First Deputy Minister on issues of European integration, Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine

10.15 – 10.45 KEYNOTE SPEECHES

Svanhvit Adalsteinsdottir, Advisor for Women, Peace and Security, NATO Brussels

Serhiy Ustymenko, First Deputy Minister on issues of European integration, Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine, Kyiv. «Elaboration of the National Action Plan to implement UN Security Council Resolution 1325 “Women, Peace and Security” and related Resolutions»

10.45 – 11.30 COFFEE BREAK – GROUP PHOTO

11.30 – 13.00 SESSION I

Different impact of the Armed Conflict in Ukraine on Men and Women: Applying the Gender perspective

This session will be used to provide background information on the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda and it will look at the security situation in Ukraine with a gender lens. It will provide an overview of UNSCR 1325 and related Resolutions, taking into account the ongoing

armed conflict in Ukraine and focussing in particular on Ministry of Internal Affairs (MIA) and Ministry of Defense (MOD) as the major propellers of the resolution's messages. The speakers will share introductory findings and accounts of the impact of the conflict on women and girls in Ukraine and existing institutional arrangements to guarantee their protection. The main aim of this session is to provide the audience with a framework for the discussion in the remaining panels and to assess the progress made to date.

Moderator **Laurie Mulvey**, Executive Director, World in Conversation Center for Public Diplomacy, University Park, PA

Opening address **Petro Mekhed**, Vice Minister of Defense of Ukraine – chief of staff

Speakers **Maria Berlinska**, Leader of Volunteer organization 'Center for support of Aerial Reconnaissance'
Volodymyr Kukhar, Senior lieutenant, deputy squadron commander
Lyudmyla Kalinina, 46th separate battalion of special assignment «Donbas - Ukraine»
Oksana Yakubova, Deputy Commander, 1st motorized battalion, Luhanska oblast
Anna Kovalenko, Centurion, 39th Maidan Self-Defense Unit
Eugenia Benigni, Gender Expert, former Gender Adviser of the OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine

Q&A

13.00 – 14.00 **LUNCH**

14.00 – 15:30 **SESSION II**

Implementing UNSCR 1325 and related Resolutions on Women, Peace and Security. International experiences

The session aims at revealing international practices concerning the implementation of UNSCR 1325 and related Resolution. The cases of Georgia, Finland and Spain will be analysed in detail and presented as good practices.

Moderator **Karen McMinn**, Gender Consultant, Women, Peace and Security, Northern Ireland - Ireland

Opening address **Sabine Freizer**, Governance, Peace and Security Advisor, UN Women Europe and Central Asia Regional Office

Speakers **Jesus Gil Ruiz**, former Chief of the IMS Office of the Gender Advisor, NATO

Shota Shermadini, Senior Specialist in Human Relations Department and Member of MoD Gender Monitoring Team, «The case of Georgia»

Anne Sofie Stude, National focal point and Ambassador for UNSCR 1325 for Finland, «The case of Finland»

Cristina Figueroa Domecq and Jesus Palomo, Directors of the Project UNSCR 1325 Reload, Rey Juan Carlos University, Spain

Q&A

15.30 – 16.00 COFFEE BREAK

16.00 – 17.30 SESSION III

Implementing UNSCR 1325 and related Resolutions in Ukraine: Challenges and Gaps of the developing National Action Plan

Recognizing that UNSCR 1325 and related Resolutions call for improving strategies aimed at the prevention of violence against women and girls in armed conflict, greater participation of women in conflict prevention, crisis management and resolution and peace-building efforts, this session will look into greater detail at what measures have been put in place or should be developed in Ukraine in order to address the main pillars of UNSCR 1325.

Moderator **Natalia Semeniuk**, Lieutenant Colonel, deputy chief of Informational and Analytical Section of the CIMIC Directorate of the UAF

Opening address **Vita Atamanchuk**, Deputy Head of Kyrovohrad State Oblast Administration

Speakers **Kateryna Levchenko**, President of the International Women`s Rights Center “La Strada Ukraine”

Vitaliy Holota, Head of Department of military social work, Department of Moral Affairs, the Armed Forces of Ukraine

Maria Honyukova, 46th separate battalion of special assignment “Donbas – Ukraine”

Olga Kopaniova, 46th separate battalion of special assignment “Donbas – Ukraine”

Yulia Strybkova, Women`s programs coordinator at Center for special training “Artan”, Kyiv. «Military aggression: Gender aspects of security»

Tetyana Dzhafarova, Volunteer association “People`s Rear”: «Women volunteering»

Mykola Tykhonov, Officer, “Karpatska Sich” squadron, 93rd separate mechanized brigade, «Necessity of changes in the national legislation to provide help to victims of violence during conflict and post-conflict stages»

Ihor Mykytyn, Director of the regional center for gratuitous secondary legal aid in Lvivska oblast

Q&A

17.30 – 18.00 **Closing remarks**

19:00 **Dinner at the hotel in the hall Venice**

Tuesday, 22 September

9.00 – 9.30 **WELCOME COFFEE**

9.30 – 10.45 **SESSION IV (roundtable format)**

Women as Agents of Change: Enhancing female Participation into decision making process and in security agencies in Ukraine

This session aims at underlying the importance of women’s participation in public life and female leadership at all levels. It will analyse ways for promoting female leadership in politics and in security institutions and it will look at how the National Action Plan for the implementation of UNSCR 1325 and related Resolutions can support this process.

Moderator **Irene Fellin**, Gender Expert, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome

Speakers **Angelic Young**, Senior Coordinator, National Action Plans, Institute for Inclusive Security, Washington DC

Heather Huhtanen, Gender and Security Programme Manager for Eastern Europe, DCAF, Geneva

Marusia Zvirobiy, Chief of training range “Marusia’s training range”

Victoria Dvoretzka, Acting Deputy Squadron Commander on moral affairs (Aidar)

Oleksandr Potiomkin, Head of the Group on Moral Affairs, Chief Administration, Military police of the Armed Forces of Ukraine

Yulia Laputina, Colonel, Deputy head of the Department of the Security Service of Ukraine

Ulana Suprun, Ukrainian World Congress Director of Humanitarian Initiatives and "Patriot Defense" founder

Q&A

10.45 – 11.10 COFFEE BREAK

11.10 – 12.30 ROUNDTABLE: EXPERTS DISCUSSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AN EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF UNSCR 1325 AND RELATED RESOLUTION IN UKRAINE

The last panel of the conference is dedicated to experts discussion: experts on regional and gender issues will discuss together with the participation of representatives of MIA, MD, MSP, and others institutions involved in the implementation of the 1325 NAP for Ukraine. Objectives and challenges of the NAP's implementation for the involved actors will be addressed: a particular focus will be put on gender training and financial issues, as well as on the importance of strengthening networks with local, regional and international players.

Moderator **Nona Mikhelidze**, Senior Fellow, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome

Main Speakers **Tamar Tavartkiladze**, Gender Adviser of OSCE Special Monitoring Mission to Ukraine

Ma Victoria Cabrera Balleza, International Coordinator, Global Network of Women Peacebuilders, New York

Yvette Langenhuizen, Policy Officer (1325 NAP Advisor), J9/CIMIC branche, Ministry of Defence, Netherlands

Lidiya Kozub, Democracy Development Center (DDC), Kyiv

12.30 – 13.00 WRAP-UP: *Closing remarks and recommendations to the relevant actors to enhance the implementation of UNSCR 1325 and related Resolutions in Ukraine*

Representatives of the Ukraine's governmental bodies

Gianni Bonvicini, Executive Vice President, Istituto Affari Internazionali (IAI), Rome

Vitaliy Holota, Head of department of military social work, Department of Moral Affairs, the Armed Forces of Ukraine

Liliia Honiukova, Board Member, Democracy Development Center (DDC), Kyiv

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