



FIFTEENTH ANNUAL STUDENT HUMAN RIGHTS CONFERENCE

Mind the Gender Gap: The Rights of Women

Saturday 22nd March 2014, University of Nottingham

Law and Social Sciences Building, University of Nottingham **Programme**

09.30	Morning Session	Room B62
09.15	Conference Opening Professor Dominic McGoldrick	Room B62
09.00	Welcome Refreshments and Registration	Atrium/Room B62

Chaired by **Professor Dominic McGoldrick**, Professor of International Human Rights Law and HRLC Co-Director

The Role of the CEDAW Committee in Protecting and Promoting Women's Rights Ms Dubravka Šimonović, Member of the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

Violence Against Women and Girls and the Human Rights Implications Ms Janet Veitch, Vice Chair, End Violence Against Women Campaign and Women's Rights Activist and Consultant, Rape Crisis England and Wales

11.00 Refreshments **Atrium**

11.15 Delegates choose between two student-led discussion groups, which will run simultaneously:

Panel 1: The Roles and Experiences of Women in Conflict and Post-Conflict Situations Room A1, Chaired by Jean Renaldy

Does the Female Perspective Aid in a More Successful Post-Conflict Resolution? Sally Smith, London School of Economics

Women's Participation in Terrorism, Conflict and Violent Extremism: Gender Equality or Pure Pragmatism? Melissa Martin, The University of Sydney

Symbol of Women's Regional Empowerment or Arab Spring Success?: A Comparison of the Representation of Tawwakol Karman in Arabic and English Media

Iman Azzi, American University of Beirut

Panel 2: Fighting Patriarchy: The Portrayal of Women in Society, Culture and the Media Room B1, Chaired by Aishah Areej

Disempowering Feminism in the Middle East: How the Polarisation of Islam and Feminism Perpetuates Patriarchal

Stefanie Sanches, University of Nottingham

Women's Rights in Kazakhstan: Marriage Makes a Difference

Aizhan Kapysheva, Nazarbayev University

Moving Towards Dismantling Discrimination: How Psychological Terrorism, Caused by Cultural Stereotypes, Affects Women Career Perspectives, Case Study of Central Asia

Akmaral Biyarova, Nazarbayev University

12.45 Lunch Atrium

13.30 Afternoon Session Room B62

Chaired by **Professor David Harris**, Professor Emeritus and HRLC Co-Director

Decent Work, Domestic Workers and the Everyday: Continuums of Exploitation **Professor Siobhan Mullally,** Professor of Law, School of Law, University College Cork

Forced Marriage in the UK

Cris McCurley, Partner, Ben Hoare Bell Solicitors and Member of the CEDAW shadow report writing group

15.00 Refreshments Atrium

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Panel 3: Realising Political, Social and Economic Gender Balance

Room A1, Chaired by Charlotte Bardet

Women in the Informal Economy: Fighting Discrimination through Economic and Social Rights **Alice Mantaoni**, University of Nottingham

Gender Equality: All About the Numbers?

Oluwafifehan Ogunde, University of Nottingham

Helping Women to Help Themselves: Case Study of the Women's Empowerment Committee

Dulma Clark, London School of Economics

Panel 4: Regional Perspectives of Women

Room B1, Chaired by Jonas Sumares

Sexual Violence in Burundi: Victims, Perpetrators and the Role of Conflict

Nathalie Dijkman, London School of Economics

Evaluating Laws Preventing Domestic Violence in Bangladesh

Kazi Zinnat, University of Cambridge

The Challenge of Post-Conflict Reconstruction: A Case Study of Women Victims in Kibera and Kariobangi, Nairobi-Kenya Caroline Marygorety Otieno, Egerton University – Institute of Gender, Women and Development Studies

16.45 Closing Remarks from **Professor David Harris**, Professor Emeritus and HRLC Co-Director

Room B62

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