



Women in Post Conflict Reconciliation

The Road to Reconciliation: Justice, Hope and Dignity in Sri Lanka

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Fifteen years after Security Council Resolution 1325 women peace and security has never been more relevant than it is today. The differential impact of armed conflict on women and girls and their exclusion from conflict prevention, peacebuilding and peacekeeping has impacted global societies in ways that has made this issue a matter of grave urgency. For Sri Lanka, this is a time of immense importance as we seek to enhance our engagement with the international community and heal the wounds of the past.

Reconciliation mechanisms based on the broad areas of truth seeking, justice, reparations and non-recurrence are already underway in our own country. The panel will focus on Sri Lanka's experiences and way forward but will also draw on the experiences of other nations such as South Africa in its own reconciliation efforts and the Truth Commissions. The experiences of other countries will immensely enrich the conversation and allow for a more meaningful discussion, as we find ways and means to prevent conflict and acknowledge the importance of women in reconciliation.

Speakers



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