



**DRAFT AGENDA  
3RD AFRICA FORUM ON WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY**

**UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF H.E .SAHLE-WORK ZEWDE, THE PRESIDENT OF ETHIOPIA**

**LEVERAGING ON WPS MONITORING TO ENHANCE WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION AND LEADERDHIP IN PEACE PROCESSES IN AFRICA**

**HYBRID  
14-15 DECEMBER 2022  
ADDIS ABABA ETHIOPIA**

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DAY 1		14 DECEMBER 2022	
TIME	ACTIVITY		MODERATOR/SPEAKER
7:30 – 8:30	Rapid Covid Test at AUC testing centre		All
8:30 - 9:00	Arrival of participants to the conference room	Secretariat	
<b>PART 1: OPENING CEREMONY</b>			<b>Moderator:</b> Kezie Nwoha Helen, Executive Director, Women's International Peace Centre.
9:05-9:10		Welcome remarks	<b>Mme Bineta Diop</b> , Special Envoy of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission on Women, Peace and Security
9:10-9:15		Remarks -remove	<b>H.E. Ambassador Kira Smith Sindbjerg</b> , Ambassador of the Kingdom of Denmark to the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia (FDRE) and Permanent Representative to AUC
9:15 - 9:20		Remarks	<b>H.E Hanna Tetteh</b> , Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for the Horn of Africa
9.20 – 9.25		Remarks	<b>H.E. Amb. Bankole Adeoye, Commissioner</b> for Political Affairs, Peace, and Security (PAPS) African Union
9.25-9.30		Remarks	

<b>PRESIDENTIAL OPENING REMARKS</b>		
9.25 – 9.30	Remarks	<b>H.E Phumzile Mlambo-Ngcuka</b> , Former Deputy President of South Africa; former Executive Director of UN Women and a Member of the AU Panel of the Wise
9.30-9.35	Remarks	<b>H.E Dr. Joyce Hilda Banda</b> , Former President of the Republic of Malawi and Member of the SADC Panel of Elders
9.35-9.40	Remarks	<b>H.E Catherine Samba-Panza</b> Former President of Central African Republic and Co-Chair of FemWise-Africa
9.40 – 9.45	Remarks	<b>H.E Ellen Johnson Sirleaf</b> , Former President of Liberia
9.30- 9.35	Remarks	<b>H.E. Moussa Faki Mahamat</b> , African Union Commission Chairperson
9:35 - 9:40	Opening Remarks	<b>H.E Sahle-Work Zewde</b> , President of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia
<b>9:40- 10: 30</b>	<b>Group photo and Coffee break</b>	<b>Secretariat</b>
<b>SESSION II:</b>	<b>PANEL 1: Women’s meaningful participation in negotiations &amp; implementation of Peace Agreements</b>	
10:30-10:35	<p><b>Objective of the session:</b> This session will provide the participants with the opportunity to unpack the principles underpinning women’s meaning full participation in peace negotiations and the implementation of Peace agreements. Each of the resource persons will share on a specific issue.</p>	<b>Moderator: Hon. Amb. Liberata Mulamula</b> , East African Legislative Assembly

10:35 -10:45		Role of mediators in promoting women's meaningful participation in peace processes & linkages between women's political participation and women's participation in peace processes	<b>Dr Rabab Bald</b> , Expert on Women in mediation processes.
10:45 – 10:55		Experience of the women of the Republic of Ireland in the peace process	<b>H.E Nicola Brennan</b> , Ambassador of Ireland to Ethiopia and Permanent Representative to the AU
10:55 – 11:05		Promoting women's leadership in humanitarian action and in the implementation of peace agreements	<b>Dr Catherine Sozi</b> , UN Resident Coordinator and Humanitarian coordinator, Ethiopia
11:05 – 11:15		Enhancing women's participation in peace processes through constituency building	<b>Hon. Dr Betty Ogwaro, MP</b> , Transitional National Legislative Assembly, South Sudan
11:15 - 11:45	<b>PLENARY DISCUSSION</b>		
	<b>PANEL III : REFLECTION FROM THE FIELD</b>		
11:45 -11:50		Objectives of this session is to deepen the understanding of the issues by listening to reflections and personal experiences from women practitioners from the member states .	<b>Barney Afako</b> , UN DPPA
11:50 – 12:10		Strategies used by women delegates in formal peace processes to influence the outcomes of a peace agreement	<b>Harriet Poni Dumba</b> , Coordinator of the South Sudan Women's Monthly Forum

		and to maintain local constituency	
12:10- 12:20		Experiences of the Mali Women	<b>Sissoko Aissata</b> , AWLN Mali
12:20-12:30		Experience of the Libya women	<b>Dr Alwaer Turkia Abd Alhalhafeda</b> , Chair of the board of directors of Atwar organization for research and community development and founder of the Women Alliance for Peace and Justice
12: 30- 12:40		Challenges and opportunities for strengthening women's leadership in Humanitarian Action	<b>Mrs. Marhama Hussain</b> , IDP Committee Member from Bambasi Site, Ethiopia
12:40- 1:10	<b>Plenary discussion</b>		
<b>1:10 – 2: 10 Lunch Break</b>			
<b>PANEL II: WOMEN'S RIGHT DEFENDERS IN CONFLICT ZONES</b>			
2:30 – 2:35	<b>Session Objectives:</b> This session will seek to discuss the risks and challenges faced by women's rights defenders in conflict situation with a view to identify strategies for enhancing protection of the women rights defenders, politicians and peace builders and make recommendations for strengthening institutional protection mechanisms		<b>Moderator: Pravina Makan-Lakha</b> Advisor on Women, Peace, and Security at ACCORD
2:35 -3:15			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mme Julienne Lusenge</b>, Director, Funds for Congolese Women, President and Founder SOFEPADI, DR Congo</li> <li>• <b>Mme Marie-Louise BARICAKO</b>, Chairperson, INAMAHORO, Burundi</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mrs Patience Zanelie Chiradza</b>, Director of Governance and Conflict Prevention, African Union, African Union Commission</li> </ul>
3:15 – 3:45	<b>Plenary discussion</b>		All participants
<b>3:45 – 4:15</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
	<b>PANEL III: PEACE BUILDING AND TRANSITIONAL JUSTICE</b>		
4:05- 4: 10	<b>Session Objectives:</b> This session will provide the participants with the opportunity to understand the principles and practice of transitional justice from a WPS perspective and how to integrate it in post conflict reconstruction		<b>Modorator: Elizabeth Elior</b> , Gender Advisor United Nations Office To The African Union
4:10 – 4:15		Unpacking transitional Justice	<b>Barney Afako</b> , UN Department of Political and Peace building Affairs
4:15– 4:25		Promoting women's rights through electoral mediation	<b>Seck Penda</b> , Senegalese Women Platform on Women Peace, and Security
4:25 – 4:55	<b>Plenary Discussion</b>	Q&A	All participants
4:55-5:00	<b>Announcements and end of day one</b>		<b>Secretariat</b>
<b>DAY 2 :15 NOV 2022</b>			
7:30 – 8:30	<b>Rapid Covid Test at AUC testing centre</b>		<b>All participants</b>
8:30 -9:00	Arrival in the conference hall		

<b>PANEL VI: ENHANCING WOMEN'S PARTICIPATION THROUGH MONITORING AND REPORTING ON WPS USING THE CRF</b>		
9:00- 9:05	<b>Session objective:</b> To receive report on the progress made in the implementation of the WPS agenda in Africa	
		<b>Moderator: Col (rtd) Theophila Shaanika</b>
9:05- 9:30	Presentation of draft AUC Chairperson draft report on the implementation of the WPS agenda in Africa	
		<b>Catherine Njeru</b> , Gender Monitoring Specialist, African Union Commission
9:30- 9:40	Progress made in enhancing women's participation in mediation process through FEMWISE	
		<b>Mukondeleli Mpeiwa</b> , Head, Mediation and Dialogue Division, African Union Commission
9:40 – 10:10	Plenary discussion	Participants response to the presentation
<b>PANEL VII: COUNTRY PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WPS</b>		
10:10 – 10:05	<b>Session objective:</b> To receive report on the progress made in the implementation of the WPS agenda in Africa	
		<b>Moderator : Emmanuel Ntagozera</b> Gender Policy and Mainstreaming Specialist, Rwanda
10:05 – 10.45	Country progress reports	Nigeria South sudan Guinea Bissau Democratic Republic of Congo
		Respective country focal points on WPS
10:45 – 11:15	Plenary discussion	Participants response to presentation

11:15- 11:45	<b>Coffee break</b>		
11:45 – 11:50	<b>CONTINUITION OF PANEL VII: COUNTRY PROGRESS REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF WPS</b>		<b>Moderator: Meron Genene</b> , WPS Regional Consultant and a member of the Ethiopia National Action plan on Women Peace and Security
11:50 – 12:30	Country progress reports	Angola Burundi Zambia Tanzania	Respective country focal points on WPS
12:30- 1:00	PLENARY SESSION		
1:00- 2:00	<b>LUNCH BREAK</b>		
	<b>SESION VIII: IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF WOMEN PEACE AND SECURITY REPORTING</b>		
2:00 -2:05	<b>Session objective: Session objective : To share country experiences, practices and strategies for coordinating the collection of WPS data using the CRF</b>		<b>Moderator, Dr. Meima Sirleaf Karneh</b> , Country Representative, working Group on Women Peace and Security in West Africa and Sahel
2:05 – 2:45		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Sierra Leone</li> <li>- Uganda</li> <li>- Kenya</li> <li>- Senegal</li> </ul>	Respective country focal points on WPS
2:45 – 3:15	Plenary	Participants response to the presentation	



	<b>PANEL IX: ECOSYSTEM FOR IMPLEMENTING THE WPS MONITORING</b>		
3:15- 3:20	<b>Sessio objective:</b> To understand the role of Centres of Excellence (CoE) in the monitoring of the WPS agenda using the CRF		<b>Moderator: Catherine White</b> , Gender Advisor, Division for Peace, UNITAR
3:20 – 3:50	Role of CoE and RECs in WPS Monitoring and reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's International Peace Centre</li> <li>• Kofi Annan International Peacekeeping Training Centre (KAIPTC)</li> <li>• PanAfrican Centre for Gender, Peace and Development</li> </ul>	Representatives of the Centres of the Excellence
3:50- 4:20	Plenary Discussion		
<b>4:20 - 4: 50</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>		
	<b>SESSION X: CLOSING CEREMONY</b>		
4:50- 4:55	Moderator	<b>Ms. Ouriatou DANFAKHA</b> , Agt Chief of Staff, Office of the Special Envoy on Women Peace and Security	
4:55 – 5:05	Reading of the outcome statement	Amb. <b>Morina Muondjo</b> Acting Director, International Women Peace Centre, Namibia	
5:05 – 5:10	Vote of thanks	<b>Prudence Ngwenya Nonkululeko Prudence</b> , AUC Agt. Directorate	

		of Women, Gender, And Youth Directorate	
5:10 – 5:15	Remarks	<b>Mikael Cleverley</b> , Deputy Chief of Mission, U.S. Mission to the African Union and United Nations Economic Commission in Africa.	
4:15- 5:20	Remarks	<b>Mme Bineta Diop</b> , Special Envoy of the Chairperson of the African Union Commission on Women, Peace, and Security	
5:20- 5:30	Closing remarks	<b>H.E. Dr. Monique Nsanzabaganwa</b> , Deputy Chairperson for the African Union Commission	
<b>End of the forum</b>			