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The missing gender-link:

Justice and reconciliation processes after war
crimes and violations of human rights against
women

*International Seminar of the Deutsche Frauenring e. V. (DFR)
in the European Academy Berlin (EAB)
30th of June – 02nd of July 2013*

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on the 01st and 2nd of July: German-English/English-German

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Sunday, 30.06.2013

- from 13:00 **Registration for accommodation with EAB** *(only for registered overnight guests)*
- 14:00 – 16:00 **Introductory Workshop „Q & A Session“** – The basics of *women as actors and legal subjects of International Law*“ and of a *gender inclusive development of the peace and security architecture*. The introductory workshop will give background information on the contents of the seminar.
Location: Romanian Cultural Institute Berlin at „Walther Villa“ Königsallee 20 A, 14193 Berlin (10 Minutes walk from the EAB)
- 16:00 – 17:00 **Break**
- 17:00 – 19:00 **Dignity restored in the last minute:** The last chances of recognition of the women in the Asia-Pacific area abducted and forced into sexual slavery by Japanese military 1937-1945. Information and strategical discussion. Organized by the **Action Alliance Courage KIM HAK-SOON for reconciliation in the Asia Pacific Region**.
Location: Romanian Cultural Institute Berlin at „Walther Villa“ (see above)

Monday, 01.07.2013

- 09:00 – 09:30 **Registration**
- 09:30 – 11:00 **Welcome and opening comments**
Doris Riedel, steering committee of DFR & Elisabeth Botsch, EAB
Gitti Hentschel, GWI
Federal Foreign Office of Germany
- Keynote address by Lakshmi Puri, Acting Head of UN WOMEN (requested)
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Panel 1**
State of International Law – New development after UNSCR 1325
Moderation: Marion Böker, DFR
Inputs:
1. Violation of women’s rights as war crime before the ICC – UNSCR 1820: Katharine Orlovsky WIGJ, The Hague (requested)
2. The importance of national action plans - UNSCR 1325 – International implementation and in Germany
- Ute Scheub: *Women’s Security Council in Germany/ Alliance 1325*
- Tilman Enders, Coordinator UNSCR German Federal Foreign Office
3. To strenghten the role of women – Practice and Challenges: *Monika Hauser (Medica mondiale e.V.*
- 12:30 – 13:30 **Lunch in the EAB**
- 13:30 – 15:00 **Panel 2**
Gender-inclusive practice – Requirements/Models/Challenges
Moderation: Oliver Knabe, Board of Forum Civil Peace Service (ZFD)

Inputs:

1. From 'missing link' to a gender-aware approach: Gitti Hentschel (GWI)
2. Prevention and Practice- establish gender-expertise & acceptance: Brigitta von Messling, Center for International Operations (ZIF)
3. Involving men – new perspectives: Chris Dolan, director Refugee Law Project, Uganda (requested)

15:00 – 15:30

Coffee break

15:30 – 17.30

Workshops

Workshop I – Reconciliation process driven by womens' associations after the Second World War – the consequences of unrecognized war crimes against women.

Moderation: Bosiljka Schedlich, Südost Europa Kultur e.V. (*Assoc. for the promotion of the German– South East European Cultural Relationship*)

Inputs

1. Beata Jakusz, German-Polish school twinning- a trans generational approach, Poland
2. Irene Kunc, Deutsch-Tschechischer Kulturfonds & Begegnungszentrum Moravska Trebova: Verständigungsarbeit
3. Sibylle Dreher, Frauenverband im BdV e.V. (*Women's Association within the Federation of the German displaced person*)

Workshop II – Unsettled justice and reconciliation in the Asia-Pacific region. How can the victims of military sexual slavery 1937-1945 receive justice?

Moderation: Nataly Jung-Hwa Han, Korea- Association Germany

Inputs

1. The Korean Council for the women Drafted for Military Sexual Slavery by Japan (requested)
2. Tsukasa Tajima (requested)
3. Chung Noh Gross: Action-Alliance Courage Kim Hak-soon
4. Anna von Gall, European Center for Constitutional Human Rights (ECCHR)

Rapporteur: Christine Vogler, Japan- coordination group Amnesty International

Workshop III – How can the UNSCR 1325 and consequent resolutions be strengthened especially in the field of prevention ?

Moderation: Margret Otto, Women's Network for Peace (FNF e.V.)

Inputs:

1. Helen Scanlon, African Gender Institute, South Africa
2. Heidi Meinzolt, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF/IFFF)
3. Ute Scheub: Women's Security Council in Germany/ Alliance 1325

Workshop IV – Strengthening the gender dimension comprised in UNSCR 1325: understanding the mission, creating the premises, master the practice

Moderation: Elisabeth Botsch, EAB

Inputs:

1. Chris Dolan, Refugee Law Project, Uganda
2. Gitti Hentschel, GWI

- 17:30 – 18:00 **Plenary: Reports from the Workshops by the rapporteurs**
- 18:15 – 19:00 Performance: Bud3, Ae-Rang Rhee, Berlin, *Object theatre*
- 19:00 – 20:00 **Dinner in the EAB**

Tuesday, 02.07.2013

- 09:00 – 09:15 **Welcome**
- 09:30 – 11:00 **Panel 3**
 The opportunities of legal procedures under the new international law– and which options for justice remain for victims of historic war crimes and gross human rights violations
Moderation: Anna von Gall, European Center for Constitutional Human Rights (ECCHR)
Inputs:
 Chris Dolan, director Refugee Law Project, Uganda (requested)
 N.N. KOREAN COUNCIL(requested)
- Discussion
- 11:00 – 11:30 **Coffeebreak**
- 11:30 – 13:00 **Panel 4**
 Reconciliation processes: The Society after Conflicts and War – gender-inclusive reconciliation and rebuilding of the state and society
 Moderation: Elisabeth Botsch, EAB
Inputs:
 Helen Scanlon, African Gender Institute, South Africa
 N.N. KOREAN COUNCIL(requested)
- Discussion
- 13.00 – 14:00 **Lunch in the EAB**
- 14:00 – 15:00 **World Café**
- 15:00 – 16:00 **Flashlights of the World Café & closing discussion**
- 16:00 – 16:30 **Closing remarks**

The international seminar of the Deutscher Frauenring e.V (DFR) 2013 is dedicated to the changing international Law and the efforts for to include gender into the international peace and security architecture. Women act increasingly as actors and are defined as legal subjects of the law and should be at all levels represented as such. Men and women are required to question their roles and social stereotypes on the basis of gender competence. All stakeholders are responsible on the one hand for acting in a gender equal way and on the other to enhance peace and human security. First experiences show that often the implementation, despite international legally binding frameworks, is far from sufficiently ensuring women's participation, access to the legal system and justice or perspectives in reconciliation processes and in rebuilding new societies. "Gender" remains a missing link, which should be strengthened. Gender-inclusive and -aware perspectives are needed and demand that dual constructions femininity and masculinity are challenged and new conceptualized in the respective regional context, so that they comply with human rights and that they will have a sustainable impact for-peace.

This seminar organized in cooperation with the Gunda-Werner Institute within the Heinrich-Boell Foundation (GWI) and the European Academy Berlin (EAB) aims at presenting several chosen legal and reconciliation processes, in order to bring the dialogue about the balance between reconciliation and justice in the legal sense a step further on the way. It intends to discuss how to develop and further support the right of recognition of war crimes and violation of human rights against women as well as recognition of gender-based violations. A few chosen examples will be presented in which women could take an empowered role and in which non-governmental organizations (NGOs) and civil society actively participate. The references of this discussion are instruments of international law like the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on „Women, Peace and Security“, UNSCR 1820 and following resolutions, CEDAW as well as the Beijing Platform for Action of the 4th UN- World Conference on Women. Activists and women's rights organizations have been for long committed to the development of these legal instruments, to the inclusion of women and strengthening their role as actors in peace processes and in obtaining a

gender inclusive and just human security architecture for all people irrespective of their gender identity and lastly committed to ending impunity for war crimes. The reality of justice and the political standards of political processes of participation change slowly. In some cases big efforts lead to good results. However, challenges of the past remain unsolved, that some societies don't account for and where the victims remain, despite of their efforts, disregarded: also in relation to these cases, the question arises how to find new ways to ensure justice, so that the requirements for peace can be ensured.

The cooperating partners intend to bring to light different international processes related to the recognition and compensation of victims, in order to highlight and strengthen the a gender inclusive implementation which is required by women and human rights standards. In the same time the DFR and its cooperating partners aim at bringing new perspectives for the unsettled legal and reconciliation processes. The DFR wishes to bring the debate further so that war crimes and violations of human rights against women and which are gender based can in the future be accounted for as "lesson learned".

The DFR and its partners GWI and EAB expect that legal and reconciliation processes can only be a useful requirement for national and international peace and human security if they are gender inclusive and sustainable, and thereby assign and recognize their related victims an active role, irrespective of their sex , gender or gender identity. Furthermore reconciliation and legal processes should be public and transparent. They need to be accessible awareness raising processes for the citizens and involved partners and finally must be well documented. Victims must seek for justice through access to legal processes and impunity should be counteracted.

Venue and accommodation

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Registration deadline

Registration is possible until the 20th of May, 2013.

Participation fees

Seminar-fee with overnight stay single room 160,00€/
double room 130,00€
Daily guests per day 40,00€/ reduced 20,00€
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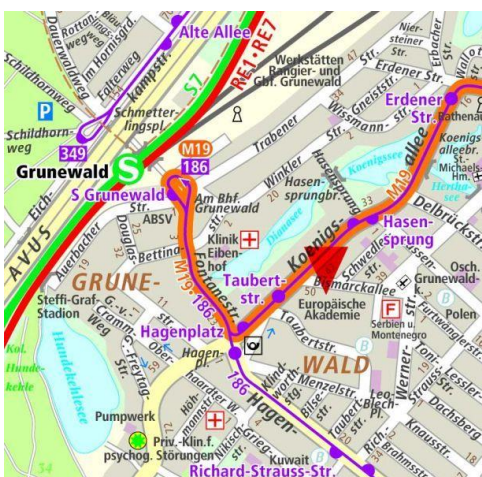
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The cooperating partners

The Deutscher Frauenring (DFR) represents the interests of women in all areas of public life. Since its foundation in 1949 it has been committed to the implementation of the de-facto gender equality between women and men and the equal participation of women and men in our society. It is an independent, non-partisan, interdenominational organization and as one of the biggest women's associations in Germany the DFR is active nationwide. The organization is active on the international level as a member of its two umbrella organizations, IAW and ICW, both with UN-ECOSOC status.

<http://www.deutscher-frauenring.de/>

The European Academy Berlin (EAB) was founded in 1963 as a politically and confessionally independent site of international encounters and communication, for European studies, providing information as well as political adult education. In the center of the political educational work of the house lay aspects and problems of European cooperation, integration and also questions of international politics and modern society.

<http://www.eab-berlin.eu>

The Gunda-Werner- Institute for Feminism and Gender Democracy (GWI) is still a very young institute of the Heinrich Böll Foundation. It emerged from the former Feminist Institute and the Joint Taskforce for Gender Democracy at the Heinrich-Boell-Foundation, which were united in 2007. The merge combined new forces, to achieve new synergies and to develop new political perspectives. The institute has been committed to the implementation of UNSCR 1325 from the beginning accompanying a lot of international seminars.

<http://www.gwi-boell.de/>

Courage Kim Hak-soon – The Action-Alliance for reconciliation in the Asia-Pacific region is committed for women's rights and against impunity for the Japanese military that during the Asia-Pacific war (1937-1945) kidnapped over 200.000 girls and women from 13 states and forced them into sexual slavery and forced prostitution in military brothels. Moreover it stands for the claims and rights of these women for an official apology, legal acceptance of Japan's responsibility, compensation, societal rehabilitation, legal justice and transparent documentation of war crimes and violations of human rights against these women. The DFR e.V is a founding member of this alliance.

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