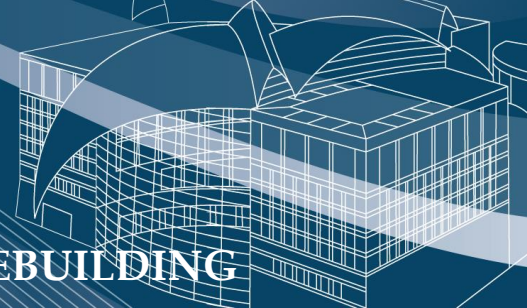




# UNITED STATES INSTITUTE OF PEACE THE CENTER FOR GENDER & PEACEBUILDING



## Gender and Peacebuilding at the U.S. Institute of Peace

The Center for Gender & Peacebuilding coordinates the gender-related work of the U.S. Institute of Peace, and reflects the Institute's commitment to integrating gender awareness in both its analytical and practitioner work on conflict and peacebuilding.

### Women Leading for Peace



In recognition of women as peacebuilders, USIP has established the Sheikha Fatima Lectureship series around Women at the Table. This year's second annual lectureship, scheduled for May 8, 2014, will focus on Women Leading for Peace. To view a video from last year's event, visit:

<http://www.usip.org/events/inaugural-sheikha-fatima-lectureship-messengers-of-peacebuilding>.

### "Men & Women in War & Peace" Course: [Apply Now!](#)

The Center, through USIP's Academy for International Conflict Management and Peacebuilding, conducts courses giving practitioners and policymakers an introduction to gender and gender analysis, an understanding of international gender frameworks, and practical examples from the field. The next course will be held March 26-28, 2014 at USIP.



### Missing Peace 2014 Workshop for Practitioners

A practitioner workshop on May 22-23, 2014 will identify gaps in knowledge and practice on preventing sexual violence in conflict and post-conflict settings. To view a video and learn more from experts at the Missing Peace 2013, please follow this link:

<http://www.usip.org/publications/the-missing-peace-symposium-2013-video>.

### Men, Peace, and Security: Agents of Change

*The Men, Peace & Security Symposium – Agents of Change* held at USIP in October 2013 expanded the scope of gender analysis to include male-related issues in conflict, and acknowledged that gender roles often change during and after violent conflict. As embodied in UN Security Council Resolution 1325 and the U.S. National Action Plan on Women, Peace & Security, a closer examination of men and women's roles and expectations in conflict and post-conflict settings is key for sustainable peace. To learn more, please visit: <http://www.usip.org/events/men-peace-and-security-symposium-agents-of-change>.



### In the Field

#### Afghanistan: Women in Elections

The Center has several projects focused on empowering women in Afghanistan. Increasing the civic and political participation of young Afghan women, in preparation for the upcoming national election and beyond, is a primary goal of current projects. On February 4-5, 2014, the Center sponsored a groundbreaking national conference on "Women and Elections" in Kabul offering women civil society leaders the opportunity to present recommendations to all eleven presidential candidates. Click here for more info: <http://www.usip.org/olivebranch/afghan-women-challenge-presidential-candidates-in-forum>.



#### Nigeria: Women Preventing Extremist Violence (WPEV)



The Women Preventing Extremist Violence project aims to identify and support innovative ways in which women in civil society can help prevent extremist violence, and

focuses, in part, on fostering trust and cooperation between women in civil society and the security sector. USIP staff will facilitate a series of in-country women-led projects in three countries over the next two years. By linking these local efforts to the larger international dialogue on women and security, USIP will contribute to a growing community of practice and a more nuanced understanding of the role women play in conflict prevention.

### Working Groups

#### U.S. Civil Society Working Group on Women, Peace, and Security (CSWG)

The Center serves as the secretariat for the CSWG. This working group was established in 2010 and is comprised of member organizations working on issues related to the U.S. National Action Plan (NAP) and its implementation.



#### Lessons Learned on Women's Programming



The Center convenes this working group aimed at examining best practices and lessons learned from women's programming in transitioning countries. In 2012, the Center convened two Expert Dialogues of women leaders from the MENA region. To date, these dialogues have brought together women leaders from Afghanistan, Iraq, Libya, and Tunisia.

To contact the Center for Gender & Peacebuilding, please email us at [gender@usip.org](mailto:gender@usip.org).

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\*To find copies of these publications online, please visit <http://www.usip.org/publications>.

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Photographs courtesy of USIP: (top left) The International Women's Commons at USIP; (mid-top left) two women connect during USIP programming; (mid-bottom left) U.N. Special Representative Zainab Hawa Bangura at the Missing Peace Symposium (Feb. 2013); (bottom left) Gen. Raymond Odierno, Chief of Staff of the U.S. Army, at the *Men, Peace & Security Symposium* (Oct. 2013); (top right photo courtesy of Equality for Peace and Democracy) Afghan women in breakout session at Women and Elections dialogue (Feb. 2014); (mid-top right) Nigerian women in breakout session at WPEV training (Nov. 2013); (mid-bottom right) panelists at the Partners in Peace and Security event marking the first anniversary of the U.S. NAP (Jan 2013); (bottom right) Women at the Expert Dialogue held in Istanbul, Turkey (June 2012).