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Feminist Framework for the Secretary General's report "Our Common Agenda"

Co-sponsored by the Coalition for the UN We Need, Global Women in Leadership, International Alliance of Women, with Baha'i International and Global Governance Innovation Network

Parallel event at the Virtual NGO Forum at CSW67 2023
March 8
10:00 am EST

Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZUkf-Copj8tHtzUYe_1ebtTqCnfvG-KgyZr

C4UN YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/live/6KoRnKChuWk>

This interactive panel will present a feminist analysis of the UN Secretary General's "Our Common Agenda" (OCA) that envisions a stronger, revitalized UN. Although the report puts gender equality and women's empowerment at the center of the UN's three pillars--peace and security, human rights, and development-- it requires a feminist critique and action-oriented framework to prioritize actions going forward. This panel will contribute to the ongoing debates at the General Assembly, Summit of the Future and other discussions such as the New Agenda for Peace.

Presenters will discuss critical issues related to climate change, health, violence against women/peace and security, digital technology as well as women and youth leadership in global governance. Possible questions are: "How can the feminist and women's movements influence decision-making across the UN system?" "What is the state of the art, progress and/or setbacks in the global multilateral agenda?" "What are the recommendations for the Secretary-General's Our Common Agenda report for action-oriented implementation?" The interactive event will include polls, Q and A, and discussion.

Co-facilitators: Maria Fernanda Espinosa, President of the 73rd UN General Assembly and Nudhara Yusuf, Research Ass. Stimpson Center

Presenters (5-7 minutes each)

“Women, peace, and security as part of the New Agenda for Peace/gender- based violence”

Corey Levine, Human rights and peace-building policy expert

“Global Governance for a feminist climate justice”

Fatema Khafagy, Founder, Arab Women Alliance

Poll 1 – on recommendations

“Women in global health”

Sarah Hawkes, Founder/Director, Centre for Gender and Global Health

“Women representation and participation in global decision-making: recommendations for a gender equal multilateral system”

Marissa Conway, CEO UNA-UK

Poll II – on recommendations

“Digital ethics and governance”

Aarathi Krishnan, Alumni Tech and Human Rights Fellow at Harvard Kennedy Carr Centre

“A European Feminist Foreign Policy? ”

Aline Burni, policy analyst on International Relations, Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) and Laetitia Thissen, policy analyst on Gender Equality, Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS)

DISCUSSANT/ interview

Dubravka Simonovic, former chair of CSW and CEDAW expert, former special rapporteur on violence against women

