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Pangea
la vita riparte da una Donna

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CONFERENCE

Rome, 5th of December 2023

9:30 am up to 1.00 pm

Aula Consiliare “Giorgio Fregosi”, Palazzo Valentini

Afghanistan Observatory

The voice of Afghan Women all around the world as agents of development and change, between resistance and existence for the reconstruction of peace, security, participation and enjoyment of rights.

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The conference is the occasion to present Pangea’s report on Afghanistan Women Peace and Security Agenda related to UNSCR1325 and to launch the related online observatory.

Over the past few months, Pangea has been conducting a dialogue with women living in Afghanistan or refugees and from the diaspora in Italy and around the world, on the different topics of the WPS Agenda. The meetings served to build a dialogue in Italy with an international perspective among Afghan women on the promotion of peace and security for the fulfilment of rights, in the absence of real international instruments applied in Afghanistan.

PROGRAM

09:00-10:00 - **Registration and welcome**

Welcome from representatives of the host institutions

Tiziana Biolghini, Metropolitan Councilor responsible for Equal Opportunity, Social Policy, Culture, Participation, Transparency and Anti-Corruption

Introduction

Frozan Nawabi expert on WPS agenda for Fondazione Pangea

Moderator:

Tiziana Ferrario, journalist

Key Note Speakers

10:10-10:20	<p>Orzala Nemat Internationally Afghan activist and scholar, expert in political ethnography, and Founder/Director of Development Research Group (DRG)</p> <p>Presentation of the report “Afghanistan Observatory 2023” on Women Peace and Security Agenda”</p>
10:20-10:30	<p>Nahid Shahalimi Founder and Director of We The Women, Advisory Council Member of Center for Feminist Foreign Policy</p> <p>“Economic Empowerment in Afghanistan today: women’s Business Development, Youth Engagement, and Holistic Healthcare”</p>
10:30-10:40	<p>Huma Saeed Criminologist and Human rights expert, affiliated senior researcher at KU Leuven and lecturer at Sant’Anna University, Afghanistan Advisor at MADRE</p> <p>How to combine the Transitional Justice pathway and that of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Afghanistan</p>
10:40- 10:50	<p>Malek Sitez Expert in human rights, international law and international relations. Professor of political science at the University of Selinus</p> <p>Can gender apartheid in Afghanistan become an international human rights violation?</p>
10:50-11:00	<p>Shukria Barakzai Journalist, former Parliamentarian in Afghanistan and Ambassador of Afghanistan in UK</p> <p>Women’s international political participation in the development of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda, inside and outside Afghanistan</p>

11:00-11:10	<p>Richard Bennett UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights situation in Afghanistan</p> <p>Human rights and women's human rights in Afghanistan: the current situation and future prospects</p>
11:10 -11.20	<p>Simona Lanzoni Vice President of Pangea Onlus, former Grevio member at COE</p> <p>Pangea Foundation's commitment to the Women, Peace and Security Agenda with women in the diaspora and refugees from Afghanistan</p>
11:20-11:30	<p>Gianfranco Petruzzella Ambassador and Italy's representative for Afghanistan</p> <p>What is the commitment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for Afghanistan</p>
11:30-11:40	<p>Luca Fratini Ambassador and Women Peace and Security, Youth and Mediation Coordinator</p> <p>The state of implementation of the WPS agenda in Italy and globally</p>
11:40-11:50	<p>Senator Stefania Pucciarelli President of the Extraordinary Commission for the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights of the Italian Senate</p> <p>Italian Parliament Human Rights Commission's commitment to Afghan women</p>
11:50-12:00	<p>MP. Luana Zanella President of the Green and Left Alliance Group of the Chamber of Deputies, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Italy Afghanistan</p> <p>Inter-Parliamentary Union Italy Afghanistan engagement in building dialogue with Afghan women in Italy</p>

Greetings and conclusions
Simona Lanzoni and Frozan Nawabi

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