

Women in War and at War Conference - Recent Developments

18 & 19 September 2014

DAY 1

Morning

8:30 – 9:00 Registration and Coffee/Tea

9:00 – 9:15 Welcome Address

9:15 – 10:45 Session 1 – Women's Experiences of War (4 parallel sessions)

Women and the Arab Spring

1. Catherine Moore (Baltimore School of Law), *Inclusion to exclusion: women in Syria*
2. Kim Barker and Christina Baghdady (University of Birmingham), *Female activism during the Arab Spring: Egypt & Syria (provisional title)*
3. Kasey McCall-Smith and Jamil Ammar, *Preying on Women: Gender-Based Conflict Strategies in Syria*

Women in the Aftermath of War

1. Tamara Kool (Maastricht University, MPP), *The effect of conflict on the gender gap*
2. Diana Sankey (Durham University Law School), *Transitional justice, socio-economic rights and rural areas*
3. Kathleen Yaworsky and Lauren Spink (Fletcher School of Tufts University), *Narratives and New Realities – Sexual and Gender-based Violence in the DRC*

Women in the Aftermath of War

1. Onen David Ongwech (Refugee Law Project), *Raising my enemy's child: The fate of refugee women and girls with children born in captivity*
2. Peninah Kansime (Refugee Law Project), *Rape scars, reproductive health issues among Congolese female refugee rape survivors in Kampala, Uganda*
3. Anicée van Engeland - *Human Trafficking: Afghan refugees*
4. Leena Kotilainen *Former Young Female Soldiers' Everyday Realities in Post-War Liberia*

Women and Peacekeeping

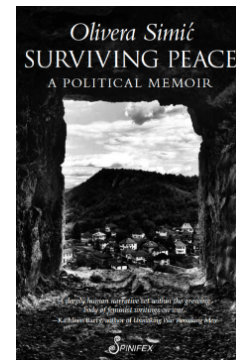
1. Georgina Holmes (University of Portsmouth), *Integrating Rwandan women peacekeepers*
2. Kate Grady (SOAS), *Sexual Violence against women during and post-conflict – Are UN peacekeepers part of the solution or part of the problem?*
3. Alice Welland (Utrecht University), *One foot in, one foot out: in limbo between 'boys will be boys' and 'zero tolerance'*

10:45 – 11:15 Break

11:15 – 12:15 Session 2 - Keynote: Professor Christine Chinkin – Genderising 'New Wars'

12:15 – 13:30 Lunch

Please note: during lunch you will have the opportunity to meet Olivera Simić for a ‘Meet the Author session’. She recently published her book in which she discusses paradoxes of survival and of the on-going struggle to find meaning and belonging in the aftermath of the war: *Surviving Peace: A Political Memoir*, Spinifex Press 2014.



Afternoon

13:30 – 15:00 Session 3 - Plenary Roundtable chaired by Mark Drumbl - Female child soldiers

1. Shilan Shah-Davis (UWE), *International Humanitarian Law and the “Gender” Conundrum: The Case of Female Child Soldiers* (Co-author: Noelle Quénivet)
2. Olga Jurasz (Open University Law School), *Prosecution of crimes committed against girl soldiers: recent developments, future challenges*
3. Hugh Williams (University of Warwick), *The role of girls in Syria’s fighting groups: do they bear the same responsibilities as boys?*
4. Alexandra Mária Kiss (York University), *The Case of Girl Child Combatants in Colombia*
5. Katie Lloyd (University of Ottawa), *Former Child Soldier Post-Conflict Reintegration Policy and Programme Guidelines: A Gendered Perspective*

15:15 – 15:45 Break

15:45 – 17:15 Session 4 – Roundtables: Unraveling Women in/at War

Gender: masculinities and femininities in/at war

1. Solange Mouthaan (University of Warwick), *Title TBC*
2. Chloé Lewis, *Interdependent subjects: Re-examining the gendered logics of sexual violence discourse*
3. H. Ahsen Utku (Harvard University), *Rebuilding Gender Roles in Transitional Societies: Redefinition of Masculinity and Femininity*
4. Valerie Vojdik (University of Tennessee), *Theorizing the Relationship Between Violence Against Men and Women in War*
5. Siham Rayale (SOAS), *Narrating War & Peace: Searching for Somali Women’s Voices in Somaliland*

Representations of women in war

1. Anél Boshoff (Aberystwyth University), *Women in and at war: caught between law and image*
2. Troy Lavers (University of Leicester), *Film and the portrayal of women in war and conflict: an analogous representation on the preference for the use of force over peaceful negotiations*
3. Zainab Naqvi (University of Birmingham), *Double Standards: media representations of female soldiers during the Abu Ghraib prisoner abuse scandal*

4. Hannah Baumeister (Aberystwyth University), *Painting a picture: forced marriage*

Gender and Culture

1. Elizabeth Mesok (Harvard University), *US service women in Iraq and Afghanistan the gendered labor of counterinsurgency*
2. Claire Duncanson (University of Edinburgh), *Regendering the military, regendering security*
3. Jenny Mathers (Aberystwyth University), *Medals, Heroism and Militarised Masculinities after 9/11*
4. Gioia Panzarella: *War representations in migrant writings: Serdakowski's 'Katerina e la sua guerra'* (University of Warwick)
5. Roxanne Bibizadeh: *Negotiating borders in Betool Khedairi's A Sky So Close*

DAY 2

9:00 – 9:30 'Reflections by Professor Mark Drumbl: 'Femininities and Masculinities in Transitional Justice'.

9:30 – 11:00 Session 5: Plenary - Gender justice: international perspectives

1. Valerie Oosterveld (University of Western Ontario), *Gender in the SCSL's Taylor Judgments: Progress and Enduring Questions*
2. Jamie Chai Yun Liew (University of Ottawa), *Casting Women in the Theatre of International Criminal Courts: The Essentialised Women in RUF Trial in Sierra Leone*
3. Priya Gopalan (OTP/ICTY), *Sainovic et al. and Djordjevic – SV crimes on a par with other serious crimes – TITLE?*
4. Katerina Uhlirova, *Forced Marriage as a Crime against Humanity*

11:00 – 11:30 Break

11:30 – 13:00 Session 6

Roundtable: UNSCR 1325 at 15

1. Dianne Otto (Law School University of Melbourne), *Beyond Stories of Victory and Danger: Resisting Feminism's Amenability to Serving Security Council Politics*
2. Nicola Pratt (University of Warwick), *Re-sexing race in international responses to Sexual Violence against Women in War*
3. Kirsten A. Cordell (KCL War Studies), *Documentation Drives Norms – A Textual analysis of UN Women, Peace and Security Resolutions*
4. Sinéad Walsh (Trinity College Dublin), *Gender, Nation and Peacebuilding – The Role of Women's Organisations in post-soviet Armenia*
5. Helen Kezie-Nwoha (Isis – Women's International Cross-Cultural Exchange, Uganda), *Pushed to the Periphery: The Necessity of Women's Innovation in Activating Post-Conflict Reconstruction*
6. Patricia Zghibarta (Information and Documentation Centre on NATO, Moldova), *Women, peace and security in Afghanistan – Implementation of UNSCR 1325 in ISAF operations – statement or fact?*

Roundtable: Protection of the Rights of Women in War

1. Rachel Hastie (OXFAM), *Gender and Conflict* - Title TBC
2. Loveday Hodson (University of Leicester), *CEDAW: addressing the rights of women in war*
3. Naomi Hart (University of Cambridge), *Gender Protection through International Trade Law – Assessing the Impact of the Arms Trade Treaty on Women in Conflict Zones*
4. Sarah Cotton (ICRC), *Women Facing War*
5. Orly Maya Stern (LSE), *The Principle of Distinction and Women in African War*

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

Afternoon

14:00 – 15:30 Session 7:

Female perpetrators

1. Alette Smeulders (Tilburg University), *Female perpetrators*
2. Shona Patience (Lincoln Law School), *The Darker Side of Gender and Conflict: A Critical Discussion of Women Accused of orchestrating and Perpetrating Rome Statute Crimes*
3. Annette Bringedal Houge (Oslo University), *Perpetrators of Sexualised War Violence – Etiology constructions at the ICTR, ICTY, and Abu Ghraib Court Martials*
4. Lauren Vogel (Griffith University), *The Roles of Women in Contemporary Political and Revolutionary Conflict around the World: A Thematic Model* (Co authors: Dr Louise Porter (School of Criminology and Criminal Justice, Griffith University) and Professor Mark Kebbell (School of Psychology, Griffith University).

Transitional Justice

1. Roisín Burke (National University of Galway), *Post-conflict Rule of Law reform initiatives: vehicle for advancing gender justice in fragile post-conflict states*
2. Charlotte Hille (University of Amsterdam) & Renée Gendron (University of Amsterdam), *Women Peace Negotiators in the Caucasus: Making a Difference*
3. Tiina Pajuste (Cambridge University), *Women in Post-conflict Settlements*
4. Barbara Trojanowska (Norwegian Centre for Human Rights, university of Oslo), *Methodological Insight into Combining Institutional and Discursive Analysis to Assess the Advancement of gender Equality Objective in Post-conflict setting*

15:30 – 16:00 Break

16:00 – 17:30 Session 8 - Gender justice: national perspectives

1. Susana SaCouto (American University Washington): impact of ICL tribunal on domestic tribunals (Bosnia H) - Title- TBC
2. Daniela Kravetz (international consultant – former OTP/ICTY), *Prosecuting SV in post-conflict setting: The Case of Colombia*
3. Kim Inksater (justgovernancegroup), *Prosecuting SV against Women – Justice mechanisms in pluralistic transitional contexts*
4. Paloma Soria Montañez (Women’s Link Worldwide – Strategies for gender justice), *Prosecution of international gender related crimes in national courts: what are the lessons learned from the international arena?*

Closing remarks