



REGIONAL WOMEN'S LOBBY for PEACE SECURITY and JUSTICE in SOUTHEAST EUROPE -- RWLSEE (<http://rwlsee.org/>)

Invitation to Regional Dialogue Conference

The Regional Women's Lobby in South East Europe (RWLSEE) cordially invite you to the Regional Dialogue Conference **"Towards inclusive peace: Women and gender approach in peace processes and reconciliation"** on **11 December 2020**. The conference is part of the Swedish Government supported longer-term initiative aimed at supporting women's empowerment and peacebuilding efforts in Kosovo and the entire region of Western Balkans.

The Conference will take stock on gender inclusiveness of peace processes in twenty years since the adoption of the UNSCR Resolution 1325 on women, peace and security; it will discuss the relationship between women's presence in peacemaking processes, women's rights and gender provisions in peace agreements, and women's participation in post-conflict governance and peacebuilding. It will also address the challenges and look for ideas and strategies of ensuring gender inclusive formal peace processes and peace agreements for the sake of sustainable and gender inclusive peacebuilding. Special focus will be given on the ongoing Brussels Dialogue between Kosovo and Serbia, as a key contribution for lasting peace in the region, where women's role and vision should be integrated equally with men. The Conference will also look at reconciliation processes from the perspective of art and culture. with aim at looking on peacebuilding in a different light.

This conference takes place in the light of 20th anniversary of the UNCR Resolution 1325 and we believe it is a critical momentum to accelerate the implementation of our common goals for women's meaningful empowerment and gender equality and its contribution towards building a just, peaceful, democratic and prosperous future.

Participants will include women in politics and civil society, parliaments, governments, local governments, national and international experts, RWL SEE Steering Committee and all members from the RWLSEE focus countries Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Kosovo, Montenegro, North Macedonia, Serbia and, international representatives from the UN Women, Swedish Government and Embassy of Sweden in Kosovo, EU and other UN Agencies and international organizations.

The Conference is organized by the Regional Women's Lobby in South East Europe (RWLSEE) with support of the UN Women and the Swedish Government. The Concept Note and Agenda are attached.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at our Conference, which will be organized in a virtual format, due to pandemic conditions. Zoom link will be shared with you duly.

Please direct any inquiries at coordinator@rwlsee.org.

Yours sincerely,

Edita Tahiri, RWLSEE Chair