



SPOTLIGHT ON SYRIA: A GENDER PERSPECTIVE ON THE STATUS OF THE POLITICAL PROCESS

WEDNESDAY, 13 APRIL 2022

Webinar on Zoom

English and Arabic (simultaneous translation)

As the Syrian conflict entered its twelve years, prospects for peace seem to be still far away.

The humanitarian cost of the war is immense. According to the U.N., more than 6 million are internally displaced and another 6.8 million are refugees or asylum-seekers abroad. As of today, 14.6 million people are currently in need of humanitarian and protection assistance among which half million children who are chronically malnourished. Yet, as the crisis continues, the international community, together with the general public opinion, seems having lost hope and concern in contributing to the peaceful resolution of the conflict, especially after the Ukrainian war's outbreak.

Through this webinar, the MWMN wants to return the Syrian crisis to the forefront of international community and public opinion back by both analysing the state of play of the political process and providing a direct and extensive account about life in Syria. A key issue that will be thoroughly addressed deals with the past and current challenges faced by Syrian women. The webinar will also be a chance for presenting the final recommendations of the initiative "The role of women in developing durable solutions to the Syrian crisis" launched by the Mediterranean Women Mediators Network in collaboration with Search for Common Ground with the support of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation (MAECI).

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AGENDA

Wednesday, April 13, 2.15pm–3.45pm

OPENING REMARKS



LOREDANA TEODORESCU

Head of the Mediterranean Women Mediators Network (MWMN) Secretariat

KEYNOTE SPEECH



MIN. STEFANO RAVAGNAN

Special Envoy for Syria of the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation

DISCUSSION



Chair

FRANCESCA CARUSO

MWMN Policy and Mediation Expert and IAI Researcher



RAJAA AL TALLI

Co-founder of Center for Civil Society and Democracy in Syria (CCSDS) and member of the Women Advisory Board



NIVIN AL HOTARY

Chair of the Board of the Women Empowerment and Support Unit



HUDA SARJAW

Head of the Gathering of Syrian Women Association



RIM AL JABI

Regional Gender Advisor for MENA at Search for Common Ground

Q&A SESSION
