

<u>GENDER</u> MAINSTREAMING

in Mediation

VIRTUAL TRAINING COURSE PROGRAM

5 — 6 February 2024

Conflux Center for Intercultural Dialogue and Mediation

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About the Course

Overall Goal

The objective of the course is to expand specific knowledge on gender related issues with the view to applying gender perspective in mediation processes, to deepen understanding of the role women could play in conflict prevention and conflict resolution, and enhance specific skills in gender-sensitive conflict analysis and mediation process design.

Learning Objectives

By the end of the course, participants will be able to:

- Apply gender-sensitive approach in conflict analysis and conflict monitoring by using relevant tools and skills;
- Differentiate the impact of conflict for different gender groups, and better understand conflict drivers, actors and dynamics;
- Design inclusive mediation processes and use various modalities for greater inclusion of women;
- Apply a range of techniques, practical measures and good practices to incorporate gender-relevant language in cease-fire and peace agreements;
- Address conflict-related sexual violence (CRSV) while drafting and negotiating ceasefire, security arrangements and peace agreements;
- Deal with challenges in integrating gender perspective in mediation.

Target Audience

The course program is designed for mid and senior level civil affairs, political affairs and other civilian, military and police officers working in field and peacekeeping operations, as well as those working in public sector, non-governmental organizations, academic institutions, or preparing to serve in peace operations. The program is balanced between the operational and tactical level.

Content and Structure

The virtual course will take place over a period of two days, from **5 – 6 February 2024** via the **online platform Zoom**. The training will consist of lectures and facilitated discussions by senior experts and practitioners in the field, and the activities are devised to be highly interactive through discussions, Q&A sessions, group work, role-play and hands-on exercises and assignments. A virtual space will be provided for group discussions and best practices and experience sharing among the participants under the guidance of the senior mentor.

Upon completion of the course, certificates of participation will be issued in PDF, and a hard copy can be sent via post upon request.

Technical Requirements:

In order to join the virtual training, all attendees should have access to the internet and a personal computer (laptop), with an operational camera and microphone (external or internal). A stable internet connection is essential in order to minimize the chances of stutter or disconnection. It is advisable that the participants download the Zoom application (free of charge). It is also possible to join a meeting directly from a web browser, but the meeting experience and available features are limited.



Course Program

DAY 15 February 2024

9:00 – 9:30 Opening & Introduction Agenda & Program of Work

9:30 – 10:00 Tour de Table & Expectations

10:00 — 11:00 SESSION 1:

"Gender-Sensitive Conflict Analysis
— Tools & Skills"

MILOS STRUGAR

11:00 — 11:15 COFFEE BREAK

11:15 — 12:00 SESSION 2:

"Gender & Inclusive Mediation"
MIRIAM CORONEL-FERRER

12:00 — 13:00 LUNCH BREAK

13:00 — 13:45 SESSION 3:

"Prevention and Response to CRSV and SGBV"

JESUS GIL RUIZ

13:45 — 14:00 COFFEE BREAK

14:00 — 15:00 SESSION 4:

"How Can Mediators Encourage the Incorporation of Gender Provisions in Ceasefire and Peace Agreements?"

MILOS STRUGAR

15:00 - 16:30 EXERCISE 1:

"Incorporation of Gender Provisions in Ceasefire & Peace Agreements" — Work in groups using a fictitious scenario DAY 2
6 February 2024

9:00 - 10:30 **EXERCISE**:

Presenting group work

10:30 — 10:45 COFFEE BREAK

10:45 — 11:30 EXERCISE 2:

"Language of Peace"

11:30 — 11:45 COFFEE BREAK

11:45 – 12:30 SESSION 5: "Gender & Culture" MILENA DRAGIĆEVIĆ ŠEŠIĆ

12:30 — 13:30 LUNCH BREAK

13:30 — 14:15 SESSION 6:

"Tracking Influences of Media, Information & Communication Technologies, & Artificial Intelligence on Gender" RENATA AVILA

14:15 — 14:30 COFFEE BREAK

14:30 — 15:30 CASE STUDIES:

"Challenges & Best Practices in Integrating Gender Perspective in Mediation"

MILOS STRUGAR

15:30 – 15:45 Coffee Break & Evaluation

15:45 – 16:30 Course Wrap-Up & Q&A with Senior Mentor

Additional Information

Registration:

Registration is open until 2 February 2024 and can be done via the following link:

https://www.confluxcenter.org/events/application-form/

Upon online registration, participants will receive an invoice, pre-course video and reading materials, as well as information on how to use Zoom. The pre-course materials will also be available on Conflux Center's website. Instructions on how to use Zoom will also be presented during the introductory session of the course.

COURSE FEE:

450 EUR (550 USD)

Conflux Center alumni are eligible for a 20% discount. Partial subsidy could be available at a later stage. Those interested in a partial subsidy should send their CV and a motivation letter not later than **29 Janaury 2024** to office@confluxcenter.org.

Conflux Center will not provide refunds for participants who face technical issues beyond its direct control. It is recommended that all prospective participants test Zoom for free at Zoom.us prior to confirming their payment.

- The participants should be relieved of their regular work duties for the duration of the course.
- The course is conducted in English and translation is not provided.
- All specified times are in accordance with CET (Central European Time) / UTC+1 (Coordinated Universal Time) time zone.
- Conflux Center reserves the right to modify the course program at any time.

For further details about the course, please contact us at:

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