Events

Conflict and Gender Equality
*When:* Mon, Jan 30 | 1:00pm-2:30pm  
*Where:* MC 2-800, the World Bank

This seminar presents an overview of recent research evidence, revealing the wider set of gender issues that need to be considered in order to understand the human consequences of war and to design effective post-conflict policies. [More info.](#)

Addressing the Evolving Needs of Haiti’s Women and Children Two Years after the Earthquake
*When:* Mon, Jan 30 | 2:00pm-4:00pm  
*Where:* 5th floor, Woodrow Wilson Center  
1300 Pennsylvania Ave. NW

This event will be aimed at highlighting the progress in health for women and children in Haiti since the disaster occurred and communicate how Haitian and U.S. governments, multilateral organizations, and civil society are continuing to work together to build a healthier future for women and children. [More info.](#)

Addressing Sexual and Gender-based Violence in Conflict and Post-conflict Settings: National and International Strategies
*When:* Wed, Feb 1 | 8:30am-2:00pm  
*Where:* American University Washington College of Law, Room 603  
4801 Massachusetts Avenue, NW

This half-day conference will address the challenges...
women face in conflict and post-conflict settings, as well as the investigation and prosecution of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV) in times of conflict, mass violence, or repression. The event will feature a keynote discussion between Ambassador-at-Large for Global Women’s Issues Melanne Verveer and Ambassador of the Kingdom of the Netherlands Renée Jones-Bos; a panel discussion on the prosecution of SGBV by international and hybrid tribunals; and a video presentation. More info.

**Women’s Foreign Policy Group Mentoring Fair**
*When:* Mon, Feb 6 | 6:00pm-9:00pm
*Where:* Marvin Center, Grand Ballroom, 3rd Floor 800 21st Street NW
The George Washington University

Provides an opportunity for students and young professionals to meet with international affairs professionals and learn from their career experiences. More info.

**Access Denied: Bridging the Gender Technology Gap**
*When:* Wed, Feb 8 | 3:30pm
*Where:* IREX, Suite 700 2121 K Street, NW

Featuring an expert panel of speakers: Ritu Sharma, Co-Founder and President, Women Thrive Worldwide; **Dr. Maura O’Neill**, Senior Counselor to the Administrator and Chief Innovation Officer, USAID; **Sheila Casey**, TechWomen Initiative, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs, State Department; **Willow Darsie**, Independent Consultant and Former Senior Fellow for Partnership and Innovation, ICRW; **Nancy Taggart**, Senior Technical Advisor, Education Development Center; **Ari Katz**, Deputy Director for Technology and Civil Society, IREX. RSVP to Cori Fleser at cfiles@womenthrive.org

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**Holgate**
*When:* Mon, Feb 13 | 5:30pm-7:00pm
*Where:* Lindner Family Commons, Room 602 1957 E St, NW
Elliott School of International Affairs

**Laura Holgate**, Senior Director, Weapons of Mass Destruction Terrorism and Threat Reduction, National Security Council. RSVP.

International Studies (CSIS), in Washington, DC, as an affiliated program. To mark the launch of WIIS in its new home, WIIS sponsored an event highlighting women’s contributions to U.S. foreign and defense policy on January 18. It featured Michèle Flournoy from the U.S. Department of Defense and Samantha Power from the National Security Council in a conversation moderated by Nina Easton, Washington Bureau Chief for Fortune Magazine.” Read full post.

gender tweet of the week

"Closing the Gap Between #Men and #Women in #Agriculture, animation by FAO. http://bit.ly/w0aetu, #SOFA report, gender" - @ifpri

Women's
Opportunities

**Research Intern, mHealth Alliance**
*Who: UN Foundation*
*Closing date: Feb 2*

This is a part-time internship with expectations that the intern works 15-20 hours per week. The mHealth Alliance Research Intern reports to, and works directly with, the Executive Director of the mHealth Alliance with guidance from the Communications team and in overall coordination with the mHealth Alliance team. [More info.](#)

**Program Officer, Adolescent Girls**
*Who: UN Foundation*
*Closing date: Feb 6*

The Program Officer, Adolescent Girls will work as part of the Women and Population team to oversee grant making to support the work of the UN and NGOs to improve adolescent girls’ lives worldwide. [More info.](#)

**Policy & Advocacy Assistant**
*Who: The Women’s Collective*
*Closing date: Feb 6*

The Policy & Advocacy Assistant will be responsible for the assisting with the implementation of Policy and Advocacy programs. The Program Assistant will report to the Policy & Advocacy Coordinator. [More info.](#)

**Senior Gender and Development Professional**
*Who: Social Impact*
*Closing date: Feb 3*

SI seeks an experienced expert in gender and social integration to serve as a technical leader on various projects, including a multi-year contract to develop a training/capacity building program for the Millennium Challenge Corporation’s country compacts working in economic growth sectors (e.g., infrastructure, agriculture, irrigation, etc.). [More info.](#)

Resources

**UN Women Annual Report 2010-2011**
The Annual Report documents UN Women’s work to foster women’s empowerment and gender equality around the world. It highlights some of the
organization’s initiatives during the year and provides summary financial statements, a list of new programmes and projects, and contact information (PDF).

**Sustainable Development: Women’s Challenges**
At recent talk hosted by the Aspen Institute entitled ‘The Road to Rio: Climate Change, Population and Sustainability,’ the lives of all women in developing countries were the topic of discussion. Panelists included SDN Vice President Rachel Kyte, former President of Ireland, Mary Robinson, President of the Worldwatch Institute, Robert Engelman, and the Director of the International Planned Parenthood Federation’s Western Hemisphere Region, Carmen Barroso (watch video).

**Assessment of the Environment for the Development of Women's Entrepreneurship in Cameroon, Mali, Nigeria, Rwanda and Senegal**
The ILO Women Entrepreneurship Development programme has recently released an Employment Report. This report is a consolidation of five assessments of the enabling environment for women entrepreneurs in five African countries (PDF).

**Gender and Climate Change**
This report includes the Abstract from the Desk Study on Gender Equality and Climate Change, the Nordic Summit Declaration and a short Film on Gender and Climate Change (PDF).

Between 23 September and 22 October 2011, the U.S. Section of the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom (WILPF) held five civil society consultations with the Department of State’s Office of Women’s Global Issues on the formulation of the U.S. National Action Plan (NAP) on UN Security Council Resolution 1325 (PDF).

**Women And The Revolution: Talking To Egyptian Feminist Nawal Saadawi**
Nawal Saadawi has spent over 50 years fighting for women’s rights in both Egypt and the rest of the region. Saadawi was imprisoned under slain President Anwar Sadat and was forced to spend time in exile during the rule of ousted President Hosni Mubarak. NOW Lebanon caught up with the 80-year-old psychiatrist, feminist and writer of over 25 books in Cairo to talk about her country’s current situation and the challenges
Egyptian women in particular face (interview).

**Egypt: A Revolution in Women’s Rights Is Not Over**
Connection Point Manager Yasmina Mrabet interviews Dr. Laura Bier, professor at Georgia Tech, about her thoughts on the role of Islamic feminism and the challenges and opportunities for women in post-revolutionary Egypt (blog post).

### Book notes

**Muslim Families in Global Senegal: Money Takes Care of Shame**  
*By Beth Buggenhagen*  
Focuses on women's roles in global networks of cargo and currency among Senegalese Murid migrants

**Unfinished Gestures: Devadasis, Memory, and Modernity in South India**  
*By Davesh Soneji*  
Combines history and ethnography in a study of courtesan-dancers in south India known as *devadasis*

**Laotian Daughters: Working toward Community, Belonging, and Environmental Justice**  
*By Bindi V. Shah*  
A study of young Laotian American environmental-justice activists in Richmond, California

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