

# Conference Programme

## Colombia Securing Peace: Women's Achievements and the Challenges Ahead

*"Those who are most concerned about achieving peace are those of us whose lives and bodies have been marked by war."*

-- Jineth Bedoya (Colombian Journalist) --

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Chancellor's Hall, Senate House  
London WC1E 7HU

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## 8.30am – 9.50 Welcome and Keynote Speeches

### Keynote Speeches

- **Lord Ahmad of Wimbledon**, UK Minister of State responsible for the prevention of conflict-related sexual violence
- **Gen. Oscar Naranjo**, Colombian Vice-President (tbc)

## 10.00 – 11:30 The International Context and National Achievements

- What was the international context and how did this support Colombian women in the peace negotiations (in CSOs, Victims, FARC and Government) to achieve a gender focus in the Peace Accord?
- Overview of the Peace Accord's achievements for women and how these were achieved.

**Chair: Baroness Jean Coussins**

**House of Lords, UK Parliament**

### Panel:

<b>Jineth Bedoya Lima</b>	Journalist, El Tiempo
<b>Hilde Salvesen</b>	Facilitator of the Negotiations at the Norwegian MFA (gender)
<b>Victoria Sandino</b>	FARC Negotiator (via Skype)
<b>Annika Otterstedt</b>	Head of Development Cooperation, Swedish Embassy Colombia

## Coffee Break 11:30 – 11:50

## 11:50 – 13:00 Implementation of the Gender and Ethnic Provisions in the Peace

### Agreement: Structural Challenges

- This panel will examine what women achieved in the Peace Accord in relation to Political Participation and Economic, Social and Cultural Rights;
- How they achieved these and lessons learned that could be of benefit to other peace processes.
- What are the structural and political challenges facing their implementation?
- What areas were not addressed in the Peace Accord, but are now coming into focus? What are the challenges and recommendations for maintaining a gender perspective in these areas?

**Chair: Kristian Herbolzheimer**

**Director Transitions to Peace Programme, Conciliation Resources**

### Panel

<b>Rosa Emilia Salamanca</b>	Corporation for Research, Social and Economic Action "CIASE"
<b>Margarita Hílamo</b>	Indigenous Woman, Ethnic Chapter Representative in Colombian Peace Negotiations
<b>Juanita Millan</b>	Colombian Navy/Gender sub-commission (tbc)
<b>Laura Mitchell</b>	Norwegian Centre for Conflict Resolution - NOREF

## Buffet Lunch 13:00 – 13:45

### 13:45 – 15:10 Truth, Justice and Protection for a Sustainable Peace

- Transitional Justice System: what are the gains for women, the obstacles and opportunities in implementation?
- Why is a human rights framework essential for building sustainable peace, how was this embedded in the Colombian Peace Accord and what are the lessons for other peace negotiations?
- How has scrutiny from the international community helped or hindered ensuring a gendered perspective on justice for women?

**Chair: PBI UK**

#### Panel

<b>Claudia Mejía</b>	Director, Sisma Mujer; worked on Transitional Justice Agreements
<b>Maria Paulina Riveros</b>	Vice Attorney General and Peace Negotiator for Colombian State (tbc)
<b>Helga Flamtermesky</b>	Coordinator, Truth, Memory and Reconciliation Commission of Colombian Women in Diaspora

## Coffee Break 15:10 – 15:30

### 15:30 – 16:15 International Community's Support for the Implementation of the Gender-focused Agreements

- What role is the International Community playing in supporting the implementation of the gender-focused agreements?
- How are international policy-makers and International Trust Funds planning on supporting the implementation and monitoring of the gendered agreements in the Peace Accord?

**Chair: Mabel Gonzalez Bustelo,  
Norwegian Centre for Conflict Resolution (NOREF)**

#### Panel

<b>Fiona Hodgson</b>	Co-Chair of the Women Peace and Security, APPG UK Parliament
<b>Eamon Gilmore</b>	EU Special Envoy to the Colombian Peace Process

### 16:15-16:30 Concluding Remarks

**Louise Winstanley**, Programme and Advocacy Manager, ABColombia