Mobilizing Action for Impact:
The Women, Peace
and Security and Humanitarian
Action Compact

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In partnership with civil society









Partnerships such as the WPSHA Compact are essential to breaking down silos and propelling the Women, Peace and Security agenda forward towards 2025. Canada stands ready to do its part.

### Canada







Let's use the important anniversaries this year for turning the words into action and committing to the full, effective and accelerated implementation of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda. As a member of the Security Council, Estonia supports ensuring sufficient resources, more effective monitoring and accountability, as well as integration of the WPS agenda into all country specific deliberations. It is high time for a true Generation Equality.

H.E. Ms. Minna-Liina Lind Ambassador at Large for Human Rights

## Estonia









Finland is committed to support the Compact, with emphasis on young women through our YPS work, and technology and innovation as leader of the Action Coalition. We believe the Compact can narrow the gap between rhetoric and action, through systematic follow up of commitments up to 2025.

Ms. Seija Kinni Coordinator Women, Peace and Security

# **Finland**









As a Catalytic member of the Compact, Spain will work to advance "Commitment 2025" and to make women's equal and effective participation in peace processes a norm by 2025.

H.E. Ms. Clara Cabrera Brasero Ambassador at large for Gender Equality in Foreign Policy

# Spain









As a Catalytic Member, Sweden focuses on WPS and HA results and how to get there. Drawing from our feminist foreign policy insights, we will work to ensure full implementation of commitments, that civil society actors are in the front seat, that efforts are context-specific and representation is inclusive.



### Sweden







The State of Palestine is committed to bolstering WPS commitments in the framework of the WPS global agenda. The State of Palestine is eager to achieve progress on advancing the WPS agenda and is looking forward to the translation of UN resolutions for realizing peace, justice, security and prosperity for all Palestinian women who suffer from the consequences of occupation and conflict.

H.E. Dr. Amal Hamad

Minister of Women's Affairs, **State of Palestine** 









UNHCR is committed to supporting the continued implementation of the WPS-HA agenda and considers the development of a compact, to catalyze the realization of existing commitments through a strengthened focus on financing, monitoring and accountability, a strategic and promising approach.

We believe it will be of critical importance that the Compact takes into consideration the particular situation of forcibly displaced women and girls and facilitates their meaningful participation and leadership in advancing the WPS agenda.

### **United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees**







We at the Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund (WPHF) are honored to join the Compact, as we continue to advocate with the UN, Governments and the Private Sector to take a collective step forward in support of local women's organizations working in fragile contexts across the globe.

WPHF is launching a global challenge to invest in 1,000 Women Leaders to build more peaceful communities by the end of 2025. We are thrilled to support the goals of the Compact as we align our efforts to accelerate this important work.

#### Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund









20 years after UNSCR 1325 full implementation of the agenda and commitments made is essential. This requires funding, commitment, political will, action and accountability. We look forward to working with other WPS-HA Compact catalytic and board members to push for full implementation and progress on Women, Peace and Security.

Ms. Hannah Bond

Director of **Gender Action for Peace and Security** 









As a global network of local peacebuilders the Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict is committed to the full implementation of the Women, Peace and Security agenda in peacebuilding, conflict prevention and humanitarian action. Synergies between WPS and peacebuilding are enacted in the work of local peacebuilders and better integration of the Women, Peace and Security agenda across these sectors globally will lead to more coherent policies and practices to better sustain peace.

Mr. Darynell Rodríguez Torres Director of Global Partnership for the Prevention of Armed Conflict 2









Women peacebuilders run to the problems and challenges of our time when others flee. They are first responders to conflict, violence, and humanitarian crises, including as we've seen, the Covid pandemic. They have courage and creativity, optimism and pragmatism. At ICAN we are proud of our transformative efforts and privileged to partner with so many women peacebuilders globally through our Women's Alliance for Security Leadership. I'm delighted to join with a global movement, to do what we can, and to bring our collective experience to the WPS-HA compact for Generation Equality.

Ms. Sanam Naraghi Anderlini MBE
Founder and CEO of the International Civil Society Action Network









Over the past 20 years, calls for women's leadership in peace have often been co-opted into strengthening the war system. To catalyse action for gender equality and ensure implementation of the WPS Agenda, it is critical to support the work of women peacebuilders, demilitarise, and take measures towards full disarmament.

Ms. Zarin Hamid
Women, Peace, and Security Progamme Manager
Women's International League for Peace and Freedom









The Women's International Peace Centre (as a catalytic member of the Women, Peace and Security and Humanitarian Action Compact governance structure) is committed to ensuring that the voices of conflict-affected African women, particularly often-excluded young and grassroots women, are heard and they play key roles in the design and implementation of processes and initiatives advancing the WPS-HA agenda at all levels.

Ms. Helen Kezie-Nwoha
Executive Director at the **Women's International Peace Centre** 





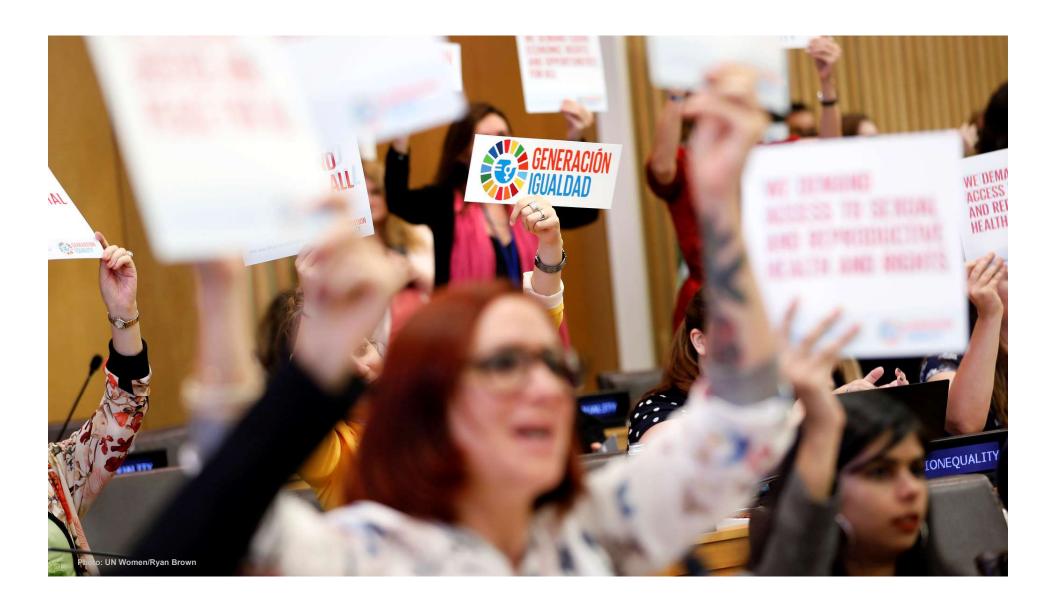




We believe that the WPS-HA Compact can make a difference in strengthening efforts of and coordination between WPS-HA different networks, partnerships and initiatives. This is crucial for the full implementation of the WPS agenda and gender responsive and transformative humanitarian action. We also believe that the Compact should remain civil driven, building on and resonating (young) women peacebuilders' key messages. Representing a broad variety of civil society organizations and groups, we are committed to support the Compact's successful functioning.

Ms. Laila Ait Bali
Director of **WO=MEN Dutch Gender Platform** 









The Women's Refugee Commission looks forward to working together with our partners to make this Compact a success that results in real change for displaced women and girls in all their diversity. Twenty years after the first UN Security Council resolution on women, peace and security, the time has come to fully implement this agenda and ensure the human rights of women and girls everywhere.

Ms. Sarah Costa
Executive Director of the **Women's Refugee Commission** 

