



During the past 25 years, the **Women's Federation for World Peace International** (WFWPI) has supported a network of National WFWP Chapters in over 120 nations (23 in Europe) that are dedicated to empower women with the knowledge, the tools and the support needed to create peace at home, peace in our communities, our nations and throughout the world.

Programs, designed according to local needs and capacities, include: leadership training for women and girls, education for peace & reconciliation, skills development and advocacy at major UN Offices and various regional and national institutions. In particular, WFWP is celebrating 20 years of our “Bridge of Peace” program in 2014, with hundreds of reconciliation events between “enemies” having been held in Asia, the Middle East, Europe, the Americas, Africa and the Pacific.

An annual “Women’s Conference on Peace in the Middle East” has been held over 20 years, bringing together women leaders from across that region with experts and practitioners from Europe and the United Nations in search of innovative solutions and reflecting mothers’ concerns. In support of United Nations Development Goals, WFWP maintains over one hundred service projects in seventy nations, in the areas of education, vocational training, microcredit, AIDS prevention education, technical support, medical assistance and nutrition guidance.

WFWP Chapters adhere to the principle that women, working together, taking initiative and empowering one another across traditional lines of age, race, culture and religion to create healthy families, are resolving the complex problems of our world. Ultimately solutions come as true partnerships between men and women are established in all levels of society. The beginning point is within societies most elemental level - the family. If secured there, Peace will naturally expand.

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Women's Federation for World Peace Europe
Global Women's Peace Network

WFWP EU Annual Women's Leadership Conference and Workshop
Tirana, Albania November 16-18

"Women's Active Participation in Decision Making,
Development and Sustainable Peace."

Thursday, November 15th

(Arrivals all Day)

Friday, November 16th

(Arrivals all Day)

Public Event: National Assembly of Albania

Women and Nation-building: Dialogue between Legislators and Civil Society".

Session I: 14.00 – 15.30

Opening remarks:

Hon. Vasilika Hysi, Deputy Speaker, Parliament of Albania

Mrs. Carolyn Handschin, Director, WFWPI United Nations Office

"Women's Active Participation in Decision Making, Development and Sustainable Peace".

Chair: Mrs. Manjola Vasmatics, Board Member, WFWP Albania

Speakers:

Hon. Eglantina Gjermeni, Member of Parliament, Albania (5 min)

Hon. Olga Bogomolets, Member of Parliament, Ukraine (5 min)

Hon. Jorida Tabaku, Member of Parliament, Albania (5 min)

Hon. Mimoza Hajdarmataj, Former Member of Parliament, Albania (5 min)

Open forum

Coffee Break: 15.30 – 16.00 Networking Time (refreshments will be served)

Session II: 16.00 – 17.30

"Cooperation Between Government and Civil society for Peace and Development"

Speakers:

Chair: Mrs. Mitty Tohma, President, WFWP UK

Hon. Dhurata Çupi, Member of Parliament, Albania (5 min)

Mrs. Kholoud Wattar Kassem, Director for MENA, Women Political Leaders Global Forum Lebanon (5 min).

Hon. Elona Gjebrea Hoxha, Member of Parliament, Albania (5 min)

Hon. Silva Caka, Member of Parliament, Albania (5 min)

Mrs. Edlira Çepani, Women's Network Equality in decision Making – EDM (5 min)

Open forum, Albania

Ambassador for Peace Certificate appointments



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17:30 Closing

18:00- 19:00 Registration in Hotel Tirana International

19:00 – 20:00 Dinner

20:00 – 21:00 (Hotel) Welcome

MC: Mrs. Katarzyna Minollari, President, WFWP Albania; Ms. Dorina Prrethi, Legal Advisor, WFWP Albania

Mr. Gani and Mrs. Marjeta Roshi, President, Family Federation for World Peace and Unification, Albania and Vice-President, WFWP Albania

Welcome from Albanian Ambassadors for Peace: Mrs. Lavdie Ruci, Chairwoman of Tirana Peace Council

Introduction of Participants by Nation

Explanation of the conference theme: "Women's Active Participation in Decision Making, Development and Sustainable Peace".

Mrs. Marcia de Abreu, President, WFWP Spain

Saturday, November 17th

7:00 – 7:30 Meditation (Hotel)

Mrs. Magda Haugen, President, WFWP Germany

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

9:00- 11:00 SESSION I

9:00 – 9:30

Welcome: Mrs. Katarzyna Minollari, President, WFWP Albania

Mr. Erion Veliaj, Mayor of Tirana, Albania

Video: WFWP

"Peace Leadership and Peace Culture."

Mrs. Carolyn Handschin, President, WFWP Europe

9:30 - 10:30

Harmony through Integration and Unity in a Diverse Europe.

MC: Mrs. Brigitte Wada, President, WFWP France

Prof. Dalila Paulo, Psychologist, Portugal

Hon. Nora Malaj, Member of Parliament, former Vice Minister for Education, Albania

Ms. Natascha Schellen, WFWP Germany, Vice-President, WFWP EU Media Coordinator

10:30 – 11:00 Q&A

11:00 – 11:30 Coffee Break



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11:30 – 13:00 SESSION II

11:30 – 12:30

The Dignity of Women and Healthy Families: Preventing Violence.

MC: Tina Coombs, Special Advisor, WFWP Europe

Ms. Samantha Streibl, Speech contest winner, WFWP UK

Mrs. Aferdita Prroni, Director, Center for Human Rights, Albania

Ms. Anisa Berisha, President of World Youth Alliance Albania

Mrs. Heidi Mayr, Marriage Counsellor, Family Federation for World Peace & Unification, Austria

Mrs. Nicole La Hogue, Vice President, WFWP Germany

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12:30 – 13:00 Q&A

13:00 – 15:00 Lunch & Networking

15:00 – 17:00 SESSION III

9 Mini workshops for capacity-building & training:

"Women's Empowerment and Impact"

Chair: Ms. Natasha Schellen, Vice-President, WFWP Germany

1. Patricia Earle, United Kingdom

"Women's empowerment through dialogue, friendship and social action."

2. Johanna Toresen, Norway

"Live your truth through 'Energy Profiling'."

3. Marilyn Angelucci, Turkey

"How to give a great speech."

4. Dalila Paulo, Portugal

"Transforming education to reach a more peaceful world."

5. Kholoud Kassem, Lebanon

"Time to overcome cultural differences for global peace."

6. Olga Vakulinskaya, Russia

"Moral education: how to touch the heart, to guide and to protect."

7. Liri Gjevori, UK

"Foster parenting: Our story and how it can be implemented in Albania."

8. Heidi Mayr, Austria

"How to change to a society where "family" has more value."

9. Zita Kiedler, Austria

"School Subject Happiness."

17:00 – 19:00 Free time/Sightseeing

19:30 – 20:30 Dinner



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20:30 – 21:30

Ambassadors for Peace Certificates

Intercultural Ceremony for Harmony and Reconciliation (BOP).

MC: Elisabetta Cali, President, WFWP Italy, Francesca Stabile, Sunwha Sell-Marchan.

100 Year Centennial commemorating Armistice of WWI; Bridge of Peace-Padua.

Water Ceremony: Representatives from diverse religions, nations, cultures.

Entertainment:

MC: Nicole La Hogue, Vice President, WFWP Germany

Traditional Albanian Dancers

Sunday, November 18th

7:00 – 7:30 Meditation

Mrs. Goya Ordonez, President, WFWP Switzerland

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast

SESSION IV

Educational Session

8:30 – 9:15 "Capacity Building for Peace leadership: Living in Peace as Global Citizens."

WFWPI Young Women's Curriculum presentations:

MC: Renate Amesbauer, President, WFWP Austria

Curriculum Developers: Mrs. Marilyn Angelucci, President, WFWP Afghanistan; Mag. Katharina Bauer, WFWP, Upper Austria; Mrs. Carolyn Handschin, Director, WFWP UN Offices.

9:15 – 10:00 Discussion / Brainstorming about using the curriculum

10:00 – 10:30 Coffee Break

10:30 – 11:15 Reports by Regions

MC: Irmgard Maentler, Treasurer, WFWPI Europe

Middle East: Natascha Schellen, Media Coordinator, WFWP Europe

WFWP Central: Magda Haugen, President, WFWP Germany.

North: Mrs. Johanna Torensen, President, WFWP Norway;

South: Mrs. Elisabetta Nistri, President, WFWP Italy

West: Mrs. Brigitte Wada, President, WFWP France

Eurasia /NE: Olga Vakulinskaya, Pres., WFWP Eurasia; Mrs. Anna Kalmatskya, VP WFWP- Ukraine

11:15– 11:30 Closing Session

11:30 Lunch

Departures