CONFERENCE PROGRAM 2018

ENGENDERING INTERNATIONAL SECURITY

Centennial Lobby, Bishop’s University,
March 16th 2018
Engendering International Security: Canadian, UN and NATO Perspectives

Significantly integrating gender perspectives is key for all endeavors towards international security. In 2001, a cornerstone report entitled “Engendering Development,” published by the World Bank and Oxford University Press, urged policymakers to promote gender equality as an essential part of development effectiveness. On November 1st, 2017, the Canadian government launched its National Action Plan on Women, Peace and Security 2017-2022 which is at the heart of what was officially defined as Canada’s Feminist Foreign Policy, including its Feminist International Assistance Policy and Defence Policy. In the National Action Plan’s introduction letter signed by seven Canadian Ministers, it is stated that: “If we want global peace and security, we must involve women in every aspect of it—from conflict prevention, peacemaking and humanitarian assistance to post-conflict recovery and statebuilding.” This one day conference aims at identifying and assessing key challenges in engendering international security through the international development, UN and in NATO missions. This conference thus seeks to gather scholars from multidisciplinary fields, practitioners, policy experts, diplomats and decision-makers to discuss and assess the challenges of adopting and implementing a gendered approach towards international security. This event will consist of four panels addressing issues related to the empowerment of women in international development, UN peacekeeping, and NATO missions. Scholarly articles and a policy report will summarize the day’s discussion and findings.
DAY 1: THURSDAY, MARCH 15TH

19:00: DINNER AT THE PRINCIPAL OF BISHOP’S UNIVERSITY, MR. MICHAEL GOLDBLOOM

DAY 2: FRIDAY, MARCH 16TH, CENTENNIAL LOBBY

08:45: LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

9:00: OPENING REMARKS
• Mr. Michael Goldbloom, Principal, Bishop’s University
• Dr. Miles Turnbull, Vice-Principal Academics, Bishop’s University
• Dr. Sarah-Myriam Martin-Brulé, Associate Professor, Department of Politics and International Studies, Bishop’s University and Deputy Director of the Réseau de recherche sur les opérations de la paix

9:30-11:00: CANADIAN PERSPECTIVES ON GENDER IN INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
• Ms. Larisa Galadza, Director General, Peace and Stabilization Operations, Global Affairs Canada
• Dr. Marie-Joëlle Zahar, Full Professor in the Department of Political Science at Université de Montréal, Director of the Réseau de recherche sur les opérations de la paix
• Ms. Caroline Brodeur, Lecturer, École de Politique Appliquée, Université de Sherbrooke and Consultant, Oxfam

11:00-11:15 COFFEE BREAK

11:15-12:45: A GENDER APPROACH TO UN ACTIVITIES IN CONFLICT SETTINGS
• Ms. Njoki Rahab Kinyanjui, Chief of Gender Unit and Senior Gender Adviser DPKO/DFS, United Nations
• Mr. Marc-André Franche, Chief of UN Secretary General Peacebuilding Fund
• Ms. Savita Pawnday, Deputy Executive Director of the Global Centre for the Responsibility to Protect

12:45-14:00: LUNCH

14:00-15:30: ROLE OF GENDER IN NATO PEACE SUPPORT MISSIONS
• Ambassador Kerry Buck, Ambassador and Permanent Representative to the North Atlantic Council
• Dr. Stefanie Von Hlatky, Associate Professor, Department of Political Science at Queen’s University, Founder of WIIS Canada, Director of CIDP
• Q&A Session

15:30-15:45: COFFEE BREAK

15:45-17:15: A CANADIAN PERSPECTIVE ON GENDER IN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION/DEVELOPMENT
• The Honourable Marie-Claude Bibeau, Minister of International Development and La Franchophonie
• Lara Vinson and Alexandra Vargas Villamil, Graduating Students of the Department of Politics and International Studies at Bishop’s University
• Q&A session

17:15-17:30: CONCLUDING REMARKS
• Dr. Sarah-Myriam Martin-Brulé, Associate Professor, Department of Politics and International Studies, Bishop’s University and Deputy Director of the Réseau de recherche sur les opérations de la paix

17:30-19:00: COCKTAIL AND NETWORKING SESSION, GRIFFIN HOUSE

19:00: DINNER AT O’CHEVREUIL