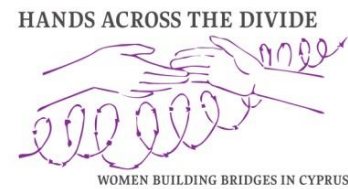


Parallel Event CSW66



JOIN us at WOMEN, PEACE & CLIMATE CHANGE IN A 'DIVIDED' CYPRUS March 16th, 2022

12:00 pm EST to 2:00 pm EST New York City/USA

REGISTRATION

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/91012020000>

Host: International Alliance of Women, IAW Peace Commission

Co-Sponsor: HANDS ACROSS THE DIVIDE, Cyprus

Panelist of HANDS ACROSS THE DIVIDE, Cyprus (**HAD**) will inform about their work for Peace and Climate Change and the specific challenges, obstacles and achievements as women peacemakers who are confronted with a long lasting frozen conflict on an divided Island.

Cyprus' divided island's communities are governed by two different administrations which do not talk to each other since more than 50 years. HAD creates dialogues for solutions towards peace within the Civil Society. The women's NGO's name is programme: they put their caring HANDS ACROSS THE DIVIDE and are creating a Culture of Peace. In HAD's networks are among others women from the academia who provide studies and expertise based on research on peace and conflict solution.

Climate Change globally is push factor and chance for more collaboration across divides, but more support by the International Community is needed for more political will for adequate women's participation. Cyprus faced environmental disasters which each community has dealt with in contra-diction. HAD aims for a united approach and wants international networking and exchange for better addressing this twofold emergency.

The climate situation will be worsened with the EU Green Deal being implemented and monitored in the Greek Cypriot community and implemented but not monitored in the Turkish Cypriot one. HAD wants to redirecting public defense funds to women's empowerment for Climate Change and Peace.

WE WANT TO DISCUSS WITH YOU THE INTERLINKAGE OF THE FIGHT AGAINST CLIMATE CHANGE AND FOR PEACE- WE HOPE TO EXCHANGE WITH THE WOMEN PEACEMAKERS AND CLIMATE CHANGE ACTIVISTS - WE WANT BUILT A NETWORK ON GLOBAL LEVEL TO ACCELARATE OUR EFFORTS

Substantive women's participation ensures successful responses to Peace, Climate Change and dwindling vital natural resources.

Adequate funding for women's sustainable environmental and peace building processes is needed while over-use of military and defense budgets should be reduced.

We call for a new UNSC-Resolution on WPS & Climate Change to strengthen peace building in times of Climate Change. For this we strategize in solidarity for a peaceful inclusive Global Green Deal based on a Caring Economy.

PROGRAMME

Welcome

Marion Böker: Acting President IAW

Katie Economide and Pembe Mentesch: Co-Chairs of HANDS ACROSS THE DIVIDE, CYPRUS

MODERATION: MAGDA ZENON

Panelists

XENIA LOIZIDES: Creating an island wide network as a peacebuilding tool

SIBEL PARALIK: How division has affected the implementation of the EU Green Deal

VIJDAN SENGOR: Why Climate Change impacts Women more

ANTHI CHARALAMBOUS: Circular Economy

HANIFE ALIEFENDIOGLU: Green Care Economy-Where Climate Change meets Gender Budgeting

PROF. DR. MARINA K-A NEOPHYTOU: Cyprus Climatic Context



INTERVENTIONS on how women are bridging divides

Kashmir

Dr. Abhiruchi Ojha: Central University of Kashmir

India

Dr. Manju Kak: MIC peace program, All India Women's Conference, Vice President IAW

Ukraine

Lyudmyla Porokhnyak: Chairwoman of the National Council of Women of Ukraine

Georgia

Salome Adama: Founder and Chair of the Peace Institute for Progress, Initiator of the Bertha von Suttner Peace Prize, Georgia