



REPUBLIK ÖSTERREICH  
Parlament

**Doris Bures,**  
**President of the Austrian National Council**

cordially invites you to a High-level Panel discussion on

***ENHANCING WOMEN'S SHARE IN PEACE AND SECURITY –  
Good practice, gaps and challenges in the implementation of  
the women, peace and security agenda –  
emerging trends and priorities in 21<sup>st</sup> century security***

on Monday, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2014, 6.00pm  
at the Austrian Parliament

#### PROGRAMME

##### Opening Remarks

**Ana Blatnik**

President of the Austrian Federal Council

**Gerald Klug**

Federal Minister of Defence and Sports

##### Panel Discussion

Chair: **Alexandra Förderl-Schmid**, Editor-in-Chief, newspaper DER STANDARD

##### Speakers:

**Ambassador Anwarul K. Chowdhury**, Former United Nations Under-Secretary-General and High Representative, Initiator of UNSCR 1325

**Ambassador Ursula Plassnik**, Austrian Ambassador to France, Former Minister for Foreign Affairs of Austria

**Ms Lakshmi Puri**, United Nations Assistant Secretary-General, Deputy Executive Director of UN Women

**Ms May Chidiac**, President of May Chidiac Foundation and Media Institute

**Ms Hanan Ashrawi**, PLO, Executive Committee Member, PLC, Member, Chairperson, Board of Directors, MIFTAH, The Palestinian Initiative for the Promotion of Global Dialogue and Democracy

After the discussion a drinks reception will be held in the Columned Hall.

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In October 2000 a landmark document was adopted by the UN Security Council: UNSCR 1325 on women and peace and security. It highlighted the disproportionate impact of armed conflict on women, recognized their important role in the prevention and resolution of conflicts, and stressed the importance of women's full involvement in all efforts for the maintenance and promotion of peace and security.

With a view to a high-level review in 2015 to assess progress at the global, regional and national levels, and as a contribution to the Beijing+20 Campaign of UN Women, politicians and prominent activists will discuss significant achievements and major obstacles in the implementation of UNSCR 1325 and give their recommendations on how to achieve improved results in areas such as conflict prevention, management and resolution and participation of women in political processes.

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