







### CONFERENCE

Rome, 5<sup>th</sup> of December 2023 9:30 am up to 1.00 pm Aula Consiliare "Giorgio Fregosi", Palazzo Valentini

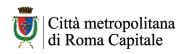
## **Afghanistan Observatory**

The voice of Afghan Women all around the world as agents of development and change, between resistance and existence for the reconstruction of peace, security, participation and enjoyment of rights.

A project of Pangea Foundation, funded by the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs under the Fourth National Action Plan on the Women, Peace and Security Agenda.

The conference is the occasion to present Pangea's report on Afghanistan Women Peace and Security Agenda related to UNSCR1325 and to launch the related online observatory.

Over the past few months, Pangea has been conducting a dialogue with women living in Afghanistan or refugees and from the diaspora in Italy and around the world, on the different topics of the WPS Agenda. The meetings served to build a dialogue in Italy with an international perspective among Afghan women on the promotion of peace and security for the fulfilment of rights, in the absence of real international instruments applied in Afghanistan.







# **PROGRAM**

#### 09:00-10:00 - Registration and welcome

#### Welcome from representatives of the host institutions

Tiziana Biolghini, Metropolitan Councilor responsible for Equal Opportunity, Social Policy, Culture, Participation, Transparency and Anti-Corruption

#### Introduction

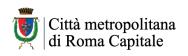
Frozan Nawabi expert on WPS agenda for Fondazione Pangea

#### Moderator:

Tiziana Ferrario, journalist

#### **Key Note Speakers**

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10:10-10:20	Orzala Nemat Internationally Afghan activist and scholar, expert in political ethnography, and Founder/Director of Development Research Group (DRG)
	Presentation of the report "Afghanistan Observatory 2023" on Women Peace and Security Agenda"
10:20-10:30	Nahid Shahalimi Founder and Director of We The Women, Advisory Council Member of Center for Feminist Foreign Policy
	"Economic Empowerment in Afghanistan today: women's Business Development, Youth Engagement, and Holistic Healthcare"
10:30-10:40	Huma Saeed Criminologist and Human rights expert, affiliated senior researcher at KU Keuven and lecturer at Sant'Anna University, Afghanistan Advisor at MADRE
	How to combine the Transitional Justice pathway and that of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in Afghanistan
10:40- 10:50	Malek Sitez Expert in human rights, international law and international relations. Professor of political science at the University of Selinus
	Can gender apartheid in Afghanistan become an international human rights violation?
10:50-11:00	Shukria Barakzai Journalist, former Parliamentarian in Afghanistan and Ambassador of Afghanistan in UK
	Women's international political participation in the development of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda, inside and outside Afghanistan







11:00-11:10	Richard Bennett UN Special Rapporteur on the human rights situation in Afghanistan Human rights and women's human rights in Afghanistan: the current situation and future prospects
11:10 -11.20	Simona Lanzoni Vice President of Pangea Onlus, former Grevio member at COE Pangea Foundation's commitment to the Women, Peace and Security Agenda with women in the diaspora and refugees from Afghanistan
11:20-11:30	Gianfranco Petruzzella Ambassador and Italy's representative for Afghanistan What is the commitment of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for Afghanistan
11:30-11:40	Luca Fratini Ambassador and Women Peace and Security, Youth and Mediation Coordinator The state of implementation of the WPS agenda in Italy and globally
11:40-11:50	Senator Stefania Pucciarelli President of the Extraordinary Commission for the Protection and Promotion of Human Rights of the Italian Senate Italian Parliament Human Rights Commission's commitment to Afghan women
11:50-12:00	MP. Luana Zanella President of the Green and Left Alliance Group of the Chamber of Deputies, President of the Inter-Parliamentary Union Italy Afghanistan Inter-Parliamentary Union Italy Afghanistan engagement in building dialogue with Afghan women in Italy

**Greetings and conclusions**Simona Lanzoni and Frozan Nawabi

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