




Forum on Women's Rights in the MENA Region

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	PROGRAM	SPEAKERS
09:00 – 09:30	Welcome Addresses	<p>Clementina Acedo — <i>Director General, Webster University Geneva</i></p> <p>Jubin Goodarzi — <i>Co-Director, MENA Center for Peace and Development</i></p> <p>Maryvelma O’Neil — <i>Co-Director, MENA Center for Peace and Development</i></p> <p>René Schegg — <i>Development Director, MENA Center for Peace and Development</i></p> <p>Rascha Osman (TBC) — <i>Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs</i></p>
09:30 – 10:00	Keynote Address	<p>Hoda El Sadda — <i>Professor of English and Comparative Literature at Cairo University</i></p>


1 PANEL **THE ROLE OF EDUCATION ON WOMEN’S EMPOWERMENT**

	MODERATORS	SPEAKERS
10:00 – 11:30	<p>Pierre Krähenbühl <i>Global Advisory board of the Treelion Foundation; Advisor to the Center for Creative Economies at Zürich University of the Arts; Member of the Webster MENA Center Steering Committee</i></p>	<p>Salma Al Nims — <i>Jordanian National Commission for Women</i></p> <p>Fatima Sadiqi — <i>Professor of Linguistics and Gender Studies, President of the Association for Middle East Women’s Studies (AMEWS)</i></p> <p>Asma Mustafa — <i>Global Teacher Award, 2020, Ministry of Education, Gaza, Palestine</i></p> <p>Randa Siniora — <i>General Director of the Women’s Center for Legal Aid and Counseling (WCLAC) in Jerusalem</i></p>


2 PANEL **FEMINISM AND IDENTITY POLITICS: THE RISE OF NEW SOCIAL MOVEMENTS**

 11:45 – 13:15	MODERATORS	SPEAKERS
	<p>Sarah Grosso <i>Webster University, Faculty, Researcher and Lead Professor, MA in Communications Management; Independent Consultant, Gender, Research & Communication</i></p>	<p>Asma Khalifa — <i>Luxembourg Peace Prize (2016) and PhD candidate, University of Hamburg</i></p> <p>Khawla Ksiksi — <i>Co-Founder of the collective “Voices of Tunisian Black Women”</i></p> <p>Hibaaq Osman-Elkarama — <i>Founder of Karama, MENA NGO</i></p> <p>Fouzi Mourji — <i>Professor of Econometrics at Université Hassan II, Casablanca</i></p>

3 PANEL **WOMEN'S RIGHTS MOVEMENT: TECHNOLOGY AND DIGITALIZATION OPPORTUNITIES**

 14:00 – 15:30	MODERATORS	SPEAKERS
	<p>Carla Haddad Mardini <i>Director, Public Partnerships Division at UNICEF</i></p>	<p>Marwa Fatafta — <i>Palestinian writer, researcher, and policy analyst</i></p> <p>Hayat Mirshad — <i>Co-Founder and Co-Director at FE-MALE</i></p> <p>Hind Kabawat — <i>Director of Interfaith and Peace Building, The Center for World Religions, Diplomacy and Conflict Resolution (CRDC) at George Mason University; Board Member of Tastakel</i></p> <p>Anna Therese Day — <i>Award-winning international reporter and filmmaker</i></p>

4 PANEL **FEMINISM AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE AGE OF COVID-19: REIMAGINING THE FUTURE**

	MODERATORS	SPEAKERS
15:45 – 17:15	<p>Lama Jbarah <i>President, International-Lawyers.org Webster University Faculty, International Relations Department</i></p>	<p>Hania El Sholkamy — <i>Associate Professor at Social Research Center, American University Cairo (AUC)</i></p> <p>Zarah Langhi — <i>Co-Founder and CEO of Libyan Women Platform for Peace (LWPP)</i></p> <p>Hafsa Halawa — <i>Non-Resident Scholar at the Middle East Institute</i></p> <p>Roueida El Hage — <i>Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights: Regional Representative for MENA</i></p>

	CONCLUDING REFLECTIONS
17:15	<p>Francis Piccand <i>Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs; Faculty, Webster University Faculty, International Relations Department</i></p> <p>Aili Mari Tripp <i>Wangari Maathai Professor of Political Science and Gender and Women's Studies at the University of Wisconsin-Madison; Fellow, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars</i></p>



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