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Panel Series on Women, Peace & Security

Utilizing Modern Technology in Peacekeeping Operations to Improve Security for Women and Girls

25 November 2014, 1:00 to 2:45 *

Conference Room 4, UN Headquarters

**A light lunch will be provided outside Conference Room 4 starting at 1:00pm.
The discussion will start promptly at 1:15pm.*

The Permanent Mission of the United Arab Emirates to the United Nations, UN Women, and the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security would like to invite you to participate in a panel discussion on utilizing modern technology in peacekeeping operations to improve security for women and girls. This is the second panel discussion in a Panel Series on Women, Peace and Security, hosted by the UAE and its partners, in support of the Global Study on the Implementation of Security Council resolution 1325 (2000).

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New technology has proliferated globally, and has become key to transforming political, social, and economic life. Yet, understanding how technology affects the lives of women is still an area that remains under-explored, especially in the context of conflict. This panel discussion will investigate how new technologies deployed by peace keeping operations can transform the lives of women and girls, potentially creating more effective responses in conflict and post-conflict situations.

We hope to engage a broad range of experts, Member States, and civil society in a discussion on how new technologies can be used to promote the protection and prevention dimensions of the women, peace and security agenda in peacekeeping operations.

Opening Remarks

- **Hervé Ladsous**, Under-Secretary General, Department of Peacekeeping Operations.

Panelists

- **David Haeri**, Director, Policy, Evaluation and Training Division, Departments of Peacekeeping Operations and Field Support
- **Suzanne Shanahan**, Information Systems Officer, ICT Division, Department of Field Support
- **Sarah Williamson**, Founder, Protect the People
- **Juliana Rotich**, Co-Founder and Executive Director, Ushahidi (*T.B.C.*)

A concept note is attached to this invitation providing more details on the conversation.

Kindly RSVP by **18 November** by EMAIL to rsvp@uaemission.org. Should you require a UN pass, please EMAIL rsvp@uaemission.org no later than **18 November**.

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About the Series

The UAE Panel Series on Women, Peace and Security will address the gaps and challenges in the implementation of 1325, as well as identify emerging issues and look for opportunities to further the goals of the WPS agenda. Each panel will result in a summary, written in partnership with the Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security, reflecting the discussions. These summaries will inform the Global Study, and will be available on UN Women's web portal.