Committee for the Interreligious & interconvictional Dialogue

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Women in religions - Addressing structural discrimination & violence against women



Tuesday, March 5, 2024, 18.00 – 19.30



Please register in advance:

 $\underline{https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYoce-rqD8rHN3bl3ABDY2MBqLBbmYolrZr}$

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<u>CONTENT</u>: We are pleased to invite you to our webinar with the theme "Women and Religions". We want to give a deeper insight into the position of women in different religions and their struggle for equal rights and against structural discrimination, violence against women and domestic violence.

<u>Topics and discussion points</u>: Are religions an obstacle to women's development and the pursuit of gender equality? Does the involvement with religion have gender-specific effects?

- 1. Fight against inequality, structural discrimination and gender-based violence: We will look at the challenges women face, both in terms of equality and gender-based violence, and how different religions deal with them.
- <u>2. Influence of religion on women</u>: impact of religion on women: Discussing the influence of belief systems on women's lives in particular, whether religion favors violence against women.
- 3. Future perspectives: Sharing thoughts on how the status of women in different religions can and should be improved.

We cordially invite representatives of all religions and beliefs to participate in this open dialogue. Together we can foster understanding, build bridges and help shape a more inclusive and equitable future for women in religious communities. We look forward to your active participation and a constructive, stimulating dialogue.

The Committee NGOs as advocates for gender equality and women's rights highly welcomes this webinar and some of its members (i.e. Andante and EFECW) have supported the preparation of it.

SPEAKERS:

Tatiana Letovaltseva, PhD student at KU Leuven and the Royal Military Academy, several leading functions in the 4th Engineering Batallion. CBRN Staff Officer, she joined the Directorate General Health and Wellbeing in 2018, coordinator of the Religious & Moral Assistance Division.

Janine Elkouby, 2006 vice-president of the Consistoire Israelite du Bas-Rhin, 2011 Chevalier de l'Ordre de la Légion d'honneur. She was appointed "Yaqirath Haqehila" by the Chief Rabbi of France (30 October 2022)

Tiar Rkia, member of Religions for Peace Europe (*RfP*), President of the European Women of Faith Network since 2023

Christine Pedotti, journalist, author, editor of the magazine Témoignage Chrétien, Christian intellectual, cofounder with Anne Soupa of the Conférence catholique des baptisé-e-s francophones (CCBF) and the Comité de la Jupe.

Dr. Carola Roloff, Buddhist nun, visiting professor of Buddhism at the Academy of World Religions at the University of Hamburg since 2018

MODERATOR: Dr. Thea Mohr, EBU, trainer of intercultural communication.