

Are Women's Rights Human Rights?

Women, Peace and Transnational Activism: A Century On

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6.30pm - 8pm

Mile End Institute Queen Mary University Mile End Road, London E1 4NS

The centenary of the Women's Peace Congress, which took place at The Hague in April 1915, offers a unique opportunity to reflect on the past, present and future of women's transnational organising and to ask how far feminist perspectives have been mainstreamed into international debates about security, development and human rights over the past century.

The women from belligerent countries who gathered at The Hague whilst war waged across Europe developed a vision of gender-based solidarities which transcended national borders and in which peace and women's rights were intimately intertwined.

This roundtable - a joint initiative between QMUL's Mile End Institute and History & Policy - will ask three leading voices in contemporary global gender politics to reflect on how far women's rights have become fully recognised as human rights, and what role women's organising, including feminist action, have played in achieving this change.

Anita Anand, BBC journalist and host of Any Answers (chair)

Dame Barbara Stocking, Principal of Murray Edwards College, Cambridge and former head of Oxfam

Frances Guy, Christian Aid, former UN Women Representative for Iraq and former British Ambassador to Yemen

Baroness Berridge, Chair of All-Party Group for International Freedom of Religion or Belief

All attendees are invited to join the speakers for a reception after the event.

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