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THE HUMAN RIGHTS PLATFORM



United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women



Rights of Women and Girls in Afghanistan

Following their takeover, the Taliban promised to uphold the rights of all, including women and girls. Instead, the Taliban institutionalized gender-based discrimination and violence. The exclusion of women from the civil, political, economic, social, and cultural spheres amounts to collective punishment of women and girls and erasure of half of the Afghan society. Risking everything, the women and girls of Afghanistan are asking for their rights to be promoted and protected.

The event will focus on both civil and political rights, and economic, social and cultural rights. The aim of the panel is to raise international awareness on the human rights situation of women and girls in Afghanistan and propose recommendations for effective action by the international community.

SPEAKERS

- ♦ Seven Afghan women will give their contribution to the panel: **Ms. Fawzia Koofi, Ms. Shukria Barakzai, Ms. Niloufar Ayoubi, Ms. Shah Gul Rezai, Ms. Nabila Musleh, Ms. Seema Ghani and Ms. Aliye Yilmaz.**
- ♦ **Ms. Mary Lawlor**, special rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders.
- ♦ **Ms. Melissa Upreti**, chair of the UN Working Group on discrimination against women and girls.
- ♦ **Ms. Ana Peláez Narváez**, Vice-Chair of the Committee for the Elimination of Discrimination against Women.

SAVE THE DATE

30th of June 2022

Villa Moynier, Rue de
Lausanne, 1202 Genève

15.00 - 16.45