

WFPV Pristina, Kosovo's conference on: The role of Women in Peacebuilding

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On 8 June 2019 WFPV held a conference in Pristina, Kosovo, on the theme "The role of Women in Peacebuilding and Creating Bridges of Cooperation". It was designed to launch WFPV activities in Kosovo. The event was co-sponsored by the Universal Peace Federation.

It was held in the prestigious Assembly Hall of the Kosovo Parliament Building. The audience consisted mainly of members of parliament and civil society representatives, including many UPF Ambassadors for Peace.

Several Women Members of the Kosovo Parliament and NGO leaders joined the program.



Mrs. Carolyn Handschin, WFPV Europe President and responsible for the WFPV Offices at the United Nations, gave a brief overview of the organization's worldwide activities, noting its consultative status at the Economic and Social Council of the UN, and invited Kosovo women leaders to join her in various programs at the UN Human Rights Council in Geneva or in New York.

Speakers shared about women's concrete contributions to Kosovo nation-building and expressed their confidence in the central role women can play in conflict reconciliation, in a region still suffering from open wounds from the war.

The WFPV session concluded with the awarding of women Peace Ambassador Certificate to selected participants, recognized for their dedication to peacebuilding in Kosovo, each in their own field.

Preceding this conference, on the morning of 7 June 2019, WFPV Europe President Carolyn Handschin and UPF Europe Vice President Jacques Marion were invited for an interview at the Television RTK 1 Live morning talk show to speak about the objectives of the conference and the future activities of UPF and WFPV in Kosovo.

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