



For peace is not mere absence of war, but is a virtue that springs from a state of mind, a disposition for benevolence, confidence, justice.

Spinoza (1632 - 1677)

## International Conference Mothers4Peace 3 and 4 May 2018 - Casablanca, Morocco

Mothers, at the heart of change for a culture of Peace Showcasing examples at family, community, national, international levels

## **Provisional Program**

Thursday, 3 May

Opening

Anne-Claire de Liedekerke, Belgique, President of Make Mothers Matter

Keynote speech:

**HRH Esmeralda of Belgium** 

- 1. Personal and familial level "Peace begins in the home"
  - 1.1. **Rima Salah, Jordan,** PhD, assistant clinical professor at the Yale Child Study Center and former Deputy Executive Director of UNICEF. Co-author of "Pathways to Peace: The Transformative Power of Children and Families" with Yale Profs. James Leckman and Catherine Panter-Brick
  - 1.2. **Stephania Verhaegen, Belgium**, Teacher of the Compassion Cultivation Training © (CCT), certified by the Center for Compassion and Altruism Research and Education from Stanford University
  - 1.3. **Betty Batoul, Morocco,** Women of Peace Belgium 2012. Former Victim. President of the association Succès
  - 1.4. **Gary Barker**, **Brazil**, Director and founder of Promundo, a leader in promoting gender justice and preventing violence by engaging men and boys in partnership with women and girls
  - 1.5. Questions and answers
- 2. Community level

Film BBC Mothers football stadiums Brazil

- 2.1. Edith Schlaffer, Austria, Founder and Executive Director of Women without Borders
- 2.2. **Speaker from Creative Associates** about an ongoing project « Fostering Peace in communities in Morocco » TBC
- 2.3. Speaker of CARE International.
- 2.4. Questions and answers

Lunch

- 3. National level
  - 3.1. **Khadija Moufid, Morocco,** Founder and President of the Center for Family Studies and Values and Law Research, and Founding President of the National Development Association (AL HIDN)

- 3.2. Benoît Bichon, Colombia, Searcher on social innovation, director of socio-economic development projects of Asodamas, an MMM member association. Responsible for an observatory for peace and the implementation of efficient strategies engaging the interaction of mothers in a country faced with post conflict
- 3.3. Speaker from CARE International Mali or CARE International Jordan
- 3.4. Questions and answers
- 4. International and institutional level
  - 4.1. **Maria Mundt, Denmark,** Adviser on women, peace and security from Atlantic Treaty Association
  - 4.2. Jean-Paul Cavaliéri, France, Representative of UNHCR in Moroco
  - 4.3. **Pauline Ambrogi, France,** PHD in Contemporary History, writer, MMM representative at UNESCO on education, gender equality and peace issues. Author of a book in preparation on Mothers for Peace
  - 4.4. Questions and answers

## Friday, 4 May

8h30: Welcoming of participants

9h00: Opening Speech

9h30: Beginning of the workshops

Interactive workshops on the themes of the conference

- 1. Workshop for exchanges between mothers (in French)
  MMM Workshop: Jocelyne le Pivain, France, MMM Animator
- 2. Mothers' workshop for the prevention of child radicalization (bilingual English/Darija TBC) Edith Schlaffer, Austria, Founder and Executive Director of Women without Borders +Speaker from Morocco from Creative Associates
- 3. Positive masculinity workshop (in English)

**Gary Barker**, **Brazil**, Director and founder of Promundo, a leader in promoting gender justice and preventing violence by engaging men and boys in partnership with women and girls

4. Workshop on strengthening the role of mothers in national and international decision-making processes

Maria Mundt, Denmark, Adviser on women, peace and security from Atlantic Treaty Association

11h00: End of workshops 11h30: Closing statement 12H00: End of session

