

Activities and Achievements – PWAG Argentina

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We are conducting the project “Redefining Peace – Women Lead the Way” since 2009.

During the last seven years, we have been in touch with PeaceWomen of Latin America and the Caribbean, with governmental institutions and NGOs of the Region.

Exhibitions showed

Exhibition “1000 PeaceWomen Across the Globe”

The exhibition took place in several countries of the Region: Argentina (Tucumán – 2009); Argentina (Buenos Aires – 2010); Bolivia (Cochabamba and La Paz – 2010); Mexico (2011); Argentina (La Plata – 2012); Colombia (Bogota – 2012); Argentina (CAECOPAZ – 2012); Panama (2012); Argentina (Buenos Aires – 2013); Costa Rica (San José de Costa Rica – 2013); Paraguay (Asunción – 2014).

The President of Costa Rica at the moment of the Exhibition, Laura Chinchilla Miranda, participated at the event, together with the Minister of Women’s Affairs in 2013, María Isabel Chamorro Santamaría.

Exhibition “No Women – No Peace”

This exhibition took place in: Argentina (La Plata – 2010); Mexico (2011); Argentina (La Plata – 2013).

Some banners of the exhibition were shown at the demonstration in Bogota during the Peace’s Week (September – 2014).

National Action Plan UNSCR 1325

The Regional Office of PWAG participated in the elaboration of the Plan of Implementation at a national level of UNSCR 1325 in Buenos Aires (Argentina – 2011). The regional coordinator of PWAG was invited by the Office of Women (Ministry of Foreign Affairs).

Workshops

Workshops about UNSCR 1325: Bolivia (Santa Cruz de la Sierra – 2012); Panamá (2012); Costa Rica (San José de Costa Rica together with PeaceWoman Elizabeth Odio Benito).

Workshop “Do No Harm”: for members of the INAMU (Instituto Nacional de la Mujer – Costa Rica) and members of NGOs. María Julia Moreyra was in charge of it.

Books

Virtual Book: “Women and Peace”: It was launched in 2013. The book had the participation of Ruth–Gaby Vermot–Mangold (Co-President, PWAG), PeaceWomen Nuria Costa Leonardo (Mexico), Mirta Clara (Argentina), María Tila Uribe (Colombia), Belela Herrera and Beatriz Benzano (Uruguay), outstanding experts on the topic of the book and María Julia Moreyra, the Regional Coordinator of PWAG.

Book “Perspectiva de Género y Trata de Personas con fines de Explotación Sexual” (Gender Perspective and Trafficking in Persons for Sexual Exploitation): It was launched in 2014. The book is the Memory of the Seminar which took place at the Lower House during the International Meeting of PeaceWomen and Coordinators in Buenos Aires – Argentina (April – May, 2014).

Media

Articles in magazines, journals: two articles written by Regional Coordinator, María Julia Moreyra, in the Journal of the Foundation UNIR Bolivia. One of referred to “1000 PeaceWomen Across the Globe” and the other one treated the topic of Violence and Resolution 1325.

Participation in radio and TV programs:

- Radio Program “Hilo y Aguja” – Foundation UNIR Bolivia. María Julia Moreyra, the Regional Coordinator of PWAG, was asked her opinion about the winner of the Peace Nobel Prize 2014, Malala Yousafzai.
- TV Program Nación SonámbulaTV Pública (Argentina) – “Organizadas y Empoderadas” (Organized and Empowered): PeaceWoman from Argentina María del Carmen Sarthes and Regional Coordinator María Julia Moreyra, were invited to talk about PWAG.
- Radio Program “De Nosotros para Ustedes” (Cualidades Radio – La Plata – Argentina): several participations of Regional Coordinator María Julia Moreyra, who talked about different topics such as domestic violence, trafficking in people, etc.
- Radio Program “Ambiente Sustentable”(Palermo Radio – Buenos Aires, Argentina): Regional Coordinator María Julia Moreyra was invited to talk about domestic violence, trafficking in Persons, UNSCR 1325, etc.

Cooperations

Cooperation with the Office for Women (OW): the Office for Women was created by Dr. Carmen Argibay, Judge of the Supreme Court of Justice (Argentina). The aforementioned Office was created in order to train and raise awareness to members of the Judiciary about

gender perspective. They also share the knowledge and material with organizations of the civil society. Regional Office, PWAG, was chosen by OW in order to replicate the Workshop “Gender Perspective and Trafficking in People for Sexual Purposes” and the Protocol of Violence.

The Regional Office of PWAG carried out two Workshops: one of them at Centro de Atención al Migrante and the other one at Centro de Salud N 15 in 2014.

Cooperation with Scalabrinianas Sisters: The Regional Office of PWAG is in charge of legal issues as regards victims of domestic violence. Since September 2014 up today, 11 women received legal advice.

In addition, we carried out three Workshops: one of them at School 34 aimed to students about gender violence, and two Workshops aimed to women who were victims of domestic violence at Centro de Atención al Migrante and the other one at School 701/17 in Gregorio de Laferrere aimed to students.

Plans for 2015

Film “Mujeres construyendo Paz” (Women who build Peace): The film will be launched in March, 2015. It tells the history of PWAG, our mission, objectives, topics we deal with, among others. Some PeaceWomen and other outstanding personalities give their testimonies. The film is also a tribute to Nora Franco and Mónica Vazquez, members of the Regional Office of PWAG, and Dr. Carmen Argibay, member of the Supreme Court of Justice who fought for women’s rights during her lifetime.

Translation into Spanish of the book “1000 PeaceWomen Across the Globe”:

PeaceWomen, students, English teachers, translators and other professionals from Latin America and the Caribbean and Europe, worked hard in order to translate into Spanish the aforementioned book. The virtual book in Spanish will be launched during 2015.

January 2015, María-Julia Moreyra, project coordinator