



Commission for Human Rights of the
Association of Judges and Prosecutors
and the Lawyers Association Freiburg

International Conference

Woman & Right

„Arab Spring“

Women Lawyers without Frontiers (AOG)

in Cooperation with

The Commission for Human Rights of the Association of Judges and Prosecutors
and the Lawyers Association Freiburg (MRK)

12th till 18th October 2013

Caritas Tagungszentrum
Wintererstr. 17, 79104 Freiburg
Germany

Saturday, 12th October 2013

19:00 Arrival of the participants

20:00 Reception and dinner

Sunday, 13th October 2013

08:00 – 09:00 Breakfast

Welcoming and Opening of the Workshop

09:00 Greeting
Mrs. Siba Irsheid, Board of Directors AOG, Project Director
Mrs. Jasmina Prpić, LL.M., President AOG
Dr. Edlef Lange, President MRK

Video Greeting Word from the Patroness – *Prof. Dr. Gesine Schwan*
Presentation of the participants (guests, AOG/MRK Members)

12:00 Press Conference

Press Coordinator: *Lanyer Claudia Vogel*, AOG

13:00 Lunch

Political situation in the Arab Spring countries

14:30 **Egypt**, *Salwa Baker*, Novelist, Political activist and Journalist

15:00 **Tunisia**, *Basma Soudani*, President NGO League des Electrices Tunisiennes
(Tunisian League of Women Voters)

15.30 **Libya**, *Naima Mohammed Gebri*, first woman Judge in Libya

16.00 Coffee break

16.30 Discussion

Political situation in Jordan and Lebanon

18:00 **Jordan**, *Samah Masannat*, President of the Jordanian Society for Family Empowerment

18:30 **Lebanon**, *Fatima El Hage*, Lawyer, member of Kafa

19:00 Discussion

Moderation: *Siba Irsheid*, AOG

20:00 Dinner

Monday, 14th October 2013

7:30 – 08:30 Breakfast

Gender Equality in Germany and Europe

Public event at the University of Freiburg – Haus zur lieben Hand, Löwenstr. 16

The long road to equality in Germany

09:30 *Dr. Herta Mattes*, Presiding Judge at the Court of Appeals of Karlsruhe, retired
Discussion

11:00 Coffee break

Role of the Constitutional Court in the enforcement of the legal equality of women

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RAin Regina Schaaber, Siba Irshaid, Stellvertreterinnen

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11:30 *Dr. Katharina Harms*, Federal Ministry of Justice Berlin
Discussion

13:30 Lunch

Gender Equality Policy in Germany and Europe

14:30 *Dr. Katharina Penev-Ben Shabar*, Federal Ministry for Family Affairs, Senior Citizen, Women and Youth (BMFSFJ) Berlin

15:00 Discussion

Moderation: *Prof. Dr. Anna Lübbe*, AOG

Photo exhibition "Uprising of Women in the Arab World"

18:00 Opening of the exhibition
AOG in Cooperation with Cafe Palestine e.V. (Naturmuseum, Gerberau 32, Freiburg)

20.30 Dinner

Tuesday, 15th October 2013

08:00 – 09:00 Breakfast

UN Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women – CEDAW

UN CEDAW and the role of the Non government organization (NGO)

09:00 *Jasmina Prpić*, LL.M., AOG

The role and tasks of the CEDAW Committee

9:30 *Prof. Dr. Dubravka Šimonović*, Member of the UN-CEDAW Committee,

The current application of CEDAW: State Reports, Shadow Reports, Individual and Group Complaint or Submissions

10:30 *Marion Böker*, Coordinator of German NGO shadow reports, which had been submitted to the CEDAW Committee, Board IAW; Independent Consultant on Human Rights

11:00 Coffee break

11:30 Discussion

Moderation: *Lawyer Christine Maurer*, AOG
Mandana Knust Ressekh Afsbar, AOG

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- 13:00 Lunch
- 14:00 Work in groups – exchange and questions regarding CEDAW Alternative Reports
- Group 1) Participants from Egypt
 - Group 2) Participants from Libya
 - Group 3) Participants from Tunisia
 - Group 4) Participants from Yemen, Jordan and Lebanon
 - Group 5) Participants from Germany
- 14:30 Dialogue between NGOs and *Prof. Dr. Dubravka Šimonović*
- 16:30 Coffee break
- 17:00 Experience exchange among the participants
- Moderation:** *Mandana Knust Ressekh Afsbar*, AOG
- 20:00 Dinner

Wednesday, 16th October 2013

08:00 – 09:00 Breakfast

Gender Equality de-jure und de-facto

- 09:00 **Libya**, *Thomas Ebbs*, Coordinator of Lawyers for Justice in Libya
- 09:30 **Libya**, *Ghalia Kh. Muftah*, Lawyer
- 10:00 **Tunisia**, *Lamia Debbabi*, Lawyer, President of the Association Tunisienne des Femmes Juristes (Tunisian Association of Women Lawyers)
- 10:30 **Egypt**, *Nadeen Nasser Gamil*, Member of the Egyptian Women Union
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 Discussion

Moderation: *Lanyer Federica Inhofer*, AOG

13:00 14:00 Lunch

Public violence against women

- 14:00 *Monia Bousselmi, Juristin*, President of the Association Citizenship and Development of North-West Region, Board Member of the Tunisian Association of Women Lawyers

Sexual and gender based violence against women as a strategy of war

- 14:30 *Fathia Mobamed Elmadani*, Project Director of the Center of Capacity Development for Libyan Women

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15:00 Discussion
16:00 Coffee break

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16:30 Outlook I
What are the next steps to take on the long road to equality in the Arab Spring countries
17:30 Outlook II
What are the future moves concerning the writing of shadow reports by the NGOs? Reflection und exchange of ideas in working groups

Moderation: *Lanyer Regina Schaaber, AOG*

20:00 Dinner

Thursday, 17th October 2013

08:00 - 09:00 Breakfast
09:00 - 09:30 Press conference
10:00 - 11:00 Reception by Mayor Ulrich von Kirchbach
11:30 - 12:30 Visit of women´s institutions and organizations
13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

Networking across borders

14:00 Outlook III
Networking between participating organizations
Possibility of founding AOG groups abroad
16:00 Coffee break
16:30 Discussion of the conference report
17:00 Closing conclusion

Moderation: *Mrs. Siba Irshaid, AOG*

19:00 Dinner

Friday, 18th October 2013

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Departure of the participants

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Die Konferenz wird durch CIM – Centrum für internationale Migration und Entwicklung gefördert



Organizational information

Conference languages: English/partially German

Registration:

Guests are welcome from Sunday, 13.10. till Wednesday 16.10. 2013. Participation on the Monday, 14.10.2013 at the University of Freiburg “Haus zur lieben Hand”, Löwenstr. 16, is possible without registration and free of charge.

Registration is required for the other days taking place at the Caritas Conference Center, Wintererstraße 17-19 Freiburg.

Please register online www.anwaeltinnen-ohne-grenzen.de or per email anmeldung@aogde.com till the 09.10.2013. Once registered, we will send you a confirmation with the invoice. Additional documents will be available in the conference office at Caritas conference center.

The confirmation of your registration will be your admission card for the conference.

Please note that places are limited and will be assigned according to the order of receipt.

Conference Fees:

Participation fee including lunch and drinks during the breaks € 30, 00 per day or € 80.00 for the entire conference.

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