
The Sarajevo Open Centre and the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina are pleased to invite researchers and activists to submit research papers for the following:

Call for Papers

“What is the Gender of Security 2.0? 20 Years of the Women, Peace and Security Agenda in the context of Bosnia and Herzegovina”

Application deadline: 15. October 2019

Context¹

Recognising that conflicts differently affect women, men, boys and girls and learning from the conflicts in the Balkans, but also from other parts of the world, in 2000 the UN Security Council adopted the Resolution (UNSCR) 1325 on “Women, Peace and Security”. UNSCR 1325 and the 8 subsequent Resolutions on “Women, Peace and Security” form policy framework on how international organisations, UN member states and civil society organisations should engage in early warning, conflict management, peace negotiations and post-conflict reconstruction, through insuring meaningful participation of women and men, from all societal groups and different identities. Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) has been at the core of these developments. On the 20th anniversary of the adoption of UNSCR 1325 and with this research-in- action initiative we aim to reflect on developments in recent years.

Research area

Submissions are welcome from all social sciences and humanities disciplines (including political science, sociology, law, economy, peace and conflict studies, security studies, criminology, pedagogy, gender studies, anthropology and ethnology) or from a multidisciplinary perspective. Submissions have to be non-fiction and with a research focus (i.e. empirical, qualitative, comparative). Submissions can deal with micro-, meso- and/or macro-level realities or situation reviews. Submission should be related to BiH only or to BiH in a comparative perspective. Authors are invited to explore and discuss within the context of gender and security a variety of topics including, but not limited to: participation in political and public life, empowerment, gender based and sexual violence, masculinities, corruption, educational system developments, public policy development, local level developments, regional initiatives, etc.

Who can apply?

This competition is open to female and male researchers and/or research-oriented activists currently residing in BiH. Single author and co-authored texts are acceptable. We especially encourage applications from younger researchers, working on BA, MA or PhD theses, and from researchers from all parts of BiH.

¹ The Sarajevo Open Centre, on the initiative of Tobias Flessenkemper and Damir Arsenijević, has run a similar call for papers and published an edited volume under the title *What is the Gender of Security?* in 2013, available at: http://soc.ba/site/wp-content/uploads/2013/10/Kojeg-je-roda-sigurnost_PRINT_engl.pdf

How to apply?

The formal criteria:

- ca. 4000-7000 words, without automatic formatting;
- 12pt Times New Roman, footnotes in 10pt Times New Roman;
- simple lines spacing, no indents, margins;
- APA citation style.
- Bosnian, Croatian, Serbian language.

Please do not make reference to your name or institutional background in the paper. Submissions should be accompanied by a short biography (100-300 words) of the author/s in a separate Word document. Submissions should be sent electronically, by midnight on 15 October 2019 at the latest, to the e-mail address: jasmina@soc.ba. Authors will be notified by an e-mail acknowledging receipt of their submission.

Selection procedure

A selection panel composed of staff members of the OSCE Mission to BiH and academic and civil society experts will review the submissions. Authors of the selected papers will be invited to a two-day-workshop (November or December 2019) in which the texts will be discussed and critiqued. All authors who submitted their proposals will be notified of the result of the selection process by 1 November 2019. An honorarium of BAM 400 will be paid per published article. The publication will be presented in 2020 at two round table events organised by the Sarajevo Open Centre and the OSCE Mission to Bosnia and Herzegovina.

If you have any questions, please contact us at jasmina@soc.ba .