

UNITED NATIONS WOMEN IN CEASEFIRE NEGOTIATIONS COURSE

From 6 September to 8 November 2023

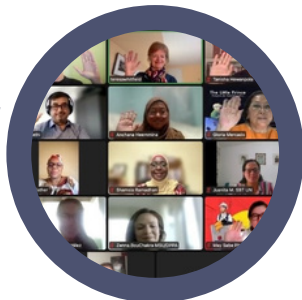
"Ceasefires are not only about stopping the fighting between belligerents. Effective ceasefire agreements protect civilians and enable humanitarian access to vulnerable populations. From a political standpoint, ceasefires are a major opportunity to set the foundation for inclusive and comprehensive peace talks." Rosemary A. DiCarlo, Under-Secretary-General for Political and Peacebuilding Affairs

Women have been systematically underrepresented as direct participants in ceasefire negotiations and implementation. This course seeks to partially address this by honing the technical skills of women peacemakers and negotiators to enable their meaningful participation in ceasefire and security arrangement negotiations, and implementation. It is jointly organized by the Mediation Support Unit, and the Gender, Peace and Security Unit of the Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs (DPPA) of the United Nations.

METHODOLOGY

The course will be offered online and in English only. Two 120-minute live sessions each week for 10 weeks. The course is divided into six modules, covering ceasefire typologies, women's inclusion strategies, contents of ceasefire agreements, monitoring and verification mechanisms, protection of civilians, and implementation issues.

Live sessions with high-level guest speakers also enable participants to hear personal stories from senior women negotiators and mediators in previous ceasefire processes.



REQUIREMENTS AND REGISTRATION

The course targets mid- and senior level women mediators, women negotiators from conflict parties, and women peacemakers. Participants are selected on the basis of their current, or possible future, involvement in ceasefire or security arrangement negotiations or implementation.

Interested women candidates are invited to apply via this [Application Form](#) by 1 August 2023.

For further information, please contact the Women in Ceasefires team at women-in-ceasefires@un.org.

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