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The Women, Peace and Security Resolutions and the politics of gender expertise and feminist knowledge in post-conflict settings

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This panel investigates the meaning and practice of gender expertise in post-conflict contexts, exploring how the Women, Peace and Security resolutions have shaped ideas about gender expertise at the international and local levels. The 20th anniversary of UNSCR 1325 presents a welcome opportunity to reflect on the development of gender experts and gender expertise in structures of international governance as an important but underexplored consequence of gender reaching the international agenda. This panel examines how the Women, Peace and Security agenda (WPS) has shaped different ways of knowing and doing gender in the international system and the packaging of this as gender expertise. It does so by exploring in a range of institutional contexts, for example the study of the experiences and strategies of gender experts in EU peace-keeping missions in Kosovo and Georgia and the interaction of the local and the international in peacebuilding in Myanmar. Other contributions interrogate instruments that shape ideas about gender expertise, such as the WPS National Action Plans or the WPS indicators developed by the UN. Overall, the panel explores the challenges and questions that the development of gender expertise in post-conflict settings pose to international relations and feminist security studies.

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