



**The Permanent Mission of Belgium, together with the Permanent Missions of Bosnia-Herzegovina, Iraq and the Democratic Republic of the Congo,**

are pleased to invite you to a side-event in the margins of the organizational meeting of the 33<sup>rd</sup> session of the Human Rights Council

**“Fighting impunity for conflict-related sexual violence”**

Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> of August, 11.00-13.00  
Palais des Nations – Room XXVI

**Chair:** H.E. Amb. Geert MUYLLE, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the UN in Geneva, Vice-President of the Human Rights Council

**Introductory Remarks:** H.E. Amb. CHOI Kyonglim, President of the Human Rights Council

**Panel:**

- Mrs. Francesca MAROTTA, Chief, Methodology, Education and Training Section, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- Ms. Nadia MURAD, Human Rights Activist, survivor of enslavement and human trafficking
- Mrs. Yvette KABUO, Lawyer and Coordinator of the Legal Clinic of Panzi (DRC)
- Mrs. Michelle JARVIS, Senior Legal Adviser to the Prosecutor and Senior Appeals Counsel in the Office of the Prosecutor (ICTY) and co-editor of the book '[Prosecuting Conflict-Related Sexual Violence at the ICTY](#)'

**Followed by a Q&A session**

***Translation in English, Arabic & French***

*The objectives of this side-event are the following:*

- *To raise awareness about the issue of conflict-related sexual violence by giving a voice to victims of sexual violence, to victims' organizations as well as to those having experience in prosecuting conflict-related sexual violence;*
- *To emphasize the need to invest more in the fight against impunity for conflict-related sexual violence in order to prevent the prevalence and recurrence of such crimes;*
- *To reflect on the ways to better address the victims' needs, including in terms of physical care, psychosocial support and healing as well as remedies and reparations, in light of the International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict (19 June).*